

I AM THE VINE, YOU ARE THE BRANCHES

Last week the word of God gave us the beautiful image of the Good Shepherd. Jesus said: "I lay down my life for my sheep; I know them and they know me; they are my own". These are beautiful words, which describe the profound relationship we have with Jesus.

This Sunday Jesus goes a bit deeper: "I am the vine, you are the branches." There cannot be any fruit in the branches, if they are not connected with the vine. The Christian is in the same situation; he cannot do anything if he is not connected with Jesus. "Apart from me, you can do NOTHING".

Before we even think about producing good fruits in our life, we have to make sure we are strictly connected with Jesus. So before we start thinking about what we can do for Jesus, for the Church, for our community we have to make sure that we receive the life of Jesus in our life. Before we start doing anything good, we must BE GOOD.

And finally, Jesus invites us to have great confidence: "If you abide in me and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you." It is easy: just ask according to Jesus' words and it will be done FOR YOU." Why are we still trying to do our own things, when Jesus can do them for us?

FEAST OF ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA

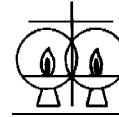
On June 3, 2018 this year we will celebrate the Feast of St. Catherine of Siena (which is liturgically celebrated on April 29, which is this Sunday).

The Sunday Liturgy has precedence over the memory of St. Catherine; that is why it is not mentioned; but we will celebrate her feast on June 3rd.

Bishop Boissonneau will be the main celebrant at the 1:00pm solemn mass and then will walk in procession. This year we will celebrate also the feast of CORPUS CHRISTI (the body and blood of Christ) and we will also remember the anniversary of the death of Blessed J.B. Scalabrini, the founder of the congregation which built and staffed our parish.

During this feast we have a great opportunity to know the variety of people, traditions and languages, which make up the richness of our parish. It is a great opportunity to show OUR UNITY IN DIVERSITY of the Christian faith, which is vibrant in our community.

Let us take this opportunity to celebrate with joy the universality of our catholic faith. Invite also all your friends.



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, Apr. 28, 2018

8:00am Charlotte Fagan

11:00am First Communion – Fr. Zanon School

3:00pm First Communion – Mary Fix School

6:00pm Josefina Valdes

Sunday, Apr. 29 **5th Sunday of Easter**

8:30am Anna Buda

10:00am MESSA CON PIÙ INTENZIONI

11:30am MULTIPLE INTENTIONS MASS

1:00pm Lucia Fernandes

4:30pm Thanksgiving from Bibet Basnet & family

6:00pm MISA CON INTENCIONES MULTIPLES

Monday, Apr. 30 **St. Pius V**

8:00am Manuel De Sousa

7:00pm Luciano Checchia

Tuesday, May 1 **St. Joseph the Worker**

8:00am Special intentions of Silvana Trevisan

6:00pm M.S.A. Emmanuel

Wednesday, May 2 **St. Athanasius**

8:00am Joseph Trdak

5:30pm (*Novena in honor of Mother of Perpetual Help*)

6:00pm MULTIPLE INTENTIONS MASS

Thursday, May 3 **Sts. Philip & James**

8:00am Solomon Obazee

6:00pm Thanksgiving from Andreino & Anna Bunicci

Friday, May 4

8:00am Thanksgiving for Andre Tenedero

7:00pm Venerable Edel Quinn

7:30pm *HOLY HOUR OF ADORATION of the*

Blessed Sacrament for vocations

Saturday, May 5

8:00am Oswald & Marguerite Lobo

**11:00am First Communion–St. Catherine of Siena
& Public Schools**

3:00pm First Communion – St. Timothy &

Atrium Schools

6:00pm Filippo Primo

Sunday, May 6 **6th Sunday of Easter**

8:30am Deceased family of Emanuele & Angela Caruso

10:00am MESSA CON PIÙ INTENZIONI

11:30am MULTIPLE INTENTIONS MASS

1:00pm Francesco, Giuseppe & Pasquale Scaramuzzo

4:30pm Annita Lisi

6:00pm MISA CON INTENCIONES MULTIPLES
& *Primera Comuni3n***NOTIZIE IN ITALIANO**

I gruppi di Preghiera Carismatici della nostra Parrocchia (Italiano, Spagnolo ed Inglese) invitano tutti a partecipare ad un Ritiro "**Guarigione della Famiglia**" il 12 Maggio dalle 8:00am alle 2:30pm nel Salone Grande. Entrata 3 gratuita. Per informazioni chiamate Giuseppina Barone 289-232-0813.

PELLEGRINAGGIO alla Madonna di Fatima in Lewiston, New York sabato 19 Maggio. Chiamate 905-270-6672

GRUPPO DI PREGHIERA CARISMATICO ogni mercoled3 al' 1:30pm nel Salone Fr. Zanon.

AVISOS EN ESPAÑOL

***El caf3 de la amistad** nos ofrece la oportunidad de una mayor convivencia entre la comunidad hispana.

¡Ven y disfruta los diversos platillos t3picos que all3 nos ofrecen! Hoy a cargo del comit3 social.

***El pr3ximo 01 de mayo** despu3s de la misa de 7:00 p.m., tendremos nuestro momento de **Adoraci3n Eucar3stica** para los todos ni3os y ni3as que quieran pasar un tiempo especial con **Jes3s Sacramentado**.

El pr3ximo 04 de mayo** ser3 Viernes primero del mes. Ese d3a se tienen confesiones a las 7:30 a.m., y 6:30 p.m. **Jes3s Sacramentado** se encuentra expuesto de 8:30 a.m -6: 30 p.m., y tendremos nuestra Adoraci3n Eucar3stica 7:30 p.m.

***El pr3ximo s3bado 05 de mayo a las 6:00 a.m.**, en el Sal3n Scalabrini, tendremos el Rosario de aurora para la comunidad hispana. ¡ Los esperamos!

***El pr3ximo 05 de mayo** de 5 a 9:00 p.m., en el auditorio de la escuela de Santa Catalina de Siena tendremos el **encuentro juvenil de las comunidades hispanas de la Arquidi3cesis de Toronto**. ¡Esperamos a todos los j3venes que buscan vivir el gozo que viene de Dios!

***Novena al Esp3ritu Santo**. En preparaci3n a la fiesta de Pentecostes desde el d3a **11 de mayo a las 7:30 p.m.**, se dar3 inicio a la novena de oraci3n en honor a la tercera **Persona de la Sant3sima Trinidad**.

***Retiro de sanaci3n de las familias**. El pr3ximo 12 de mayo de 8:30 a.m a 2:30 p.m los ministerios carism3ticos de nuestra comunidad parroquial, en cooperaci3n con la Renovaci3n Carism3tica Arquidiocesana, han preparado un retiro que se realizar3 en ingl3s, espa3ol e italiano. ¡Bienvenidos a vivir un momento especial con Dios!

DATES FOR SACRAMENTS 2018**FIRST COMMUNIONS**

Sat., May 5 11:00am St. Catherine & Public Schools

Sat., May 5 3:00pm St. Timothy & Atrium Schools

Sun., May 6 6:00pm Spanish Children

CONFIRMATIONS

Tues., May 8 6:00pm Fr. Zanon & Mary Fix Schools

Wed., May 9 6:00pm St. Catherine of Siena & Public & Spanish children

Thurs., May 10 6:00pm St. Timothy & Atrium Schools

IMPORTANT – MASS TIME CHANGE

Note the following dates for a time change in the evening Masses during the week:

May 1 - 3 6:00pm**May 8 – 10 6:00pm CONFIRMATIONS****VOLUNTEER WITH SIENA YOUTH**

Do you have a heart for Youth Ministry? We are recruiting men and women ages 14+ to join our team as we strive to inspire and lead the hearts of our young people closer to God! If you are interested, please contact Chai (our Youth Minister) at stcatsienayouth@gmail.com by April 30, 2018.

SHARE LIFE Living the Gospel by helping newcomers to Canada. Catholic Crosscultural Services programs are funded by ShareLife. To date we have collected \$22,725.00. Our parish goal is \$55,000.00.

MARCH FOR LIFE in Ottawa May 10th. For more information call 1-800-730-5358.

NOVENA IN HONOR OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

To celebrate Pentecost, the descent of the Holy Spirit on the Church, we are going to pray the Holy Spirit Novena! It is a powerful and moving novena that is meant to help us open ourselves up to the third person of the Holy Trinity.

The novena begins at St. Catherina of Siena on Friday, May 11, 2018 at 7:00pm.

HEALING OF FAMILIES RETREAT A multilingual retreat (Spanish, Italian & English) will be hosted by our Parish on May 12th from 8:30am to 2:30pm in the Main Hall and organized jointly by the Italian, English and Spanish Charismatic Ministries in cooperation with the entire Archdiocesan CCRC community. Save the date.

MOTHER'S DAY

The youth of our parish will be selling roses for Mother's Day on May 12th & 13th. Please support their activities.

FIRST MEETING OF NIGERIAN COMMUNITY.

On May 16, 2018 at 7:30pm in the ZANON HALL of the parish we invite all the Nigerian families of our parish and friends to a first meeting. This will give us the opportunity to know each other and also to create a community based on our faith. For more info please call the parish office (905) 272-1454 and leave your telephone. ALL WELCOME.

FILIPINO COMMUNITY will have the FLORES DE MAYO celebration on Sunday, May 20th at the 2:30 pm Mass followed by a procession outside and a potluck gathering in the main hall. Sagala's needed to join in the celebration.