April 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Home Learning Co-op w/ Stephanie Howie 9-1:45pm (PH) Special Lent Mission 7pm (P) Theology of the Body 7pm (PH)	2 PREP class 6:30-7:45pm (PH) Special Lent Mission 7pm (P)	3 Arbutus Mass 10:30am Mandarin RCIA 6-7pm (PH) 普通話道理班 6:00pm English RCIA 7:00-8:30pm (PH)	4 FLL Evening Recollection in Cantonese 6:30 pm	5 Crofton Manor Mass 10:30am First Friday Devotions after Benediction, Stations of the Cross 6:30pm 7:00pm Mass Knights of Columbus Executive Meeting 7:30pm	6 Legion of Mary 8:45am (PH) Fatima Ladies Circle 10am-noon Cantonese RCIA 2:30 (PH) Cantonese Mass 4:00pm 廣東話道理班 2:30pm 廣東話彌撒 4:00pm
7 9am Mass with Fr. Terry Bileski 2nd Collection Share Lent Holy Family meeting 2-6pm (PH)	8 Home Learning Co-op w/ Stephanie Howie 9-1:45pm (PH) Theology of the Body 7pm (PH)	9 PREP class 6:30-7:45pm (PH) Guadalupe Faith Study Grp 6:30-7:45pm (RH)	10 Arbutus Mass 10:30am Mandarin RCIA 6-7pm (PH) 普通話道理班 6:00pm English RCIA 7:00-8:30pm (PH)	11 Immaculate Heart Circle 10-12noon (PH)	12 Crofton Manor Mass 10:30AM Stations of the Cross @ 6:30pm Mass @ 7:00pm	13 Legion of Mary 8:45am (PH) Cantonese RCIA 2:30pm (PH) Cantonese Mass 4:00pm 廣東話道理班 2:30pm 廣東話彌撒 4:00pm
14 PALM SUNDAY	15 Home Learning Co-op w/ Stephanie Howie 9-1:45pm (PH) Theology of the Body 7pm (PH)	16 PREP class 6:30-7:45pm (PH) Guadalupe Faith Study Grp 6:30-7:45pm (RH)	17 Arbutus Mass 10:30am Mandarin RCIA 6-7pm (PH) 普通話道理班 6:00pm English RCIA 7:00-8:30pm (PH)	18 Holy Thursday 7:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper Adoration at the Altar of repose until 11:00pm	19 Collection Holy Land Good Friday (no work) Stations of the Cross 10:00am 3:00pm - Celebration of the Lord's Passion Stations of the Cross 7:00pm (Cantonese)	20 Holy Saturday Easter Vigil 9:00pm Liturgy with the Celebration of the Sacraments of Initiation (light refreshment after)
21 EASTER SUNDAY 9:00AM & 11:00AM Mass only	22 EASTER MONDAY Fr. Nick's Birthday	23 PREP Easter Mass 6:30PM	24 Arbutus Mass 10:30am Mandarin RCIA 6-7pm (PH) 普通話道理班 6:00pm English RCIA 7:00-8:30pm (PH)	25 Immaculate Heart Circle 10-12noon (PH) Funeral Bolongaro/P 11am	26 Crofton Manor Mass 10:30am Funeral Racette/N 2pm	27 PREP Gr. 7 Retreat 9-4PM (PH) Legion of Mary 8:45am (PH) Cantonese RCIA 2:30pm (PH) Cantonese Mass 4:00pm 廣東話道理班 2:30pm 廣東話彌撒 4:00pm
28 Divine Mercy Sunday ends with Communal Consecration	29 Home Learning Co-op w/ Stephanie Howie 9-1:45pm (PH) Theology of the Body 7pm (PH)	30 PREP class 6:30-7:45pm (PH) Guadalupe Faith Study Grp 6:30-7:45pm (RH)	1 Arbutus Mass 10:30am Mandarin RCIA 6-7pm (PH) 普通話道理班 6:00pm English RCIA 7:00-8:30pm (PH)	2 FLL Evening Recollection in Cantonese 6:30 pm	3 Crofton Manor Mass 10:30am First Friday Devotions Benediction at 6:30pm 7:00pm Mass	4 PREP Gr. 2 Retreat 9-4PM (PH) Legion of Mary 8:45am (PH) Fatima Ladies Circle 10am-noon Cantonese RCIA 2:30 (PH) Cantonese Mass 4:00pm 廣東話道理班 2:30pm 廣東話彌撒 4:00pm

ST. JOHN THE APOSTLE PARISH BULLETIN

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April 28, 2019

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廣東話主日提前彌撒:
星期六 下午四時
Sat 4 PM (Cantonese),
5:30 PM
Sun 9 AM, 11 AM, 6 PM
Weekday Masses
Mon-Sat 8 AM
Public Holidays 9 AM
Confession
20 minutes before all weekend Masses and 15 minutes before all weekday Masses
Morning Prayer
Mon–Sat7:30 AM
Adoration
Fri 8:30-9:30 AM
1st Fri 8:30 AM-6:30 PM
Holy Rosary
Mon-Sat after morning Mass
Divine Mercy Chaplet
10 minutes before all weekend Masses
Visit to the Sick
Please call Parish Office or Emergency number 604-729-7638
Baptisms
by appointment
Marriages
at least 6 months notice

Second Sunday of Easter
April 28, 2019

April 28, 2019—Second Sunday of Easter

"Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.'" (John 20:21)

Peace – the first gift of the risen Lord. Just as Jesus sent the apostles out into the world, so too, He sends us. As disciples of Jesus, we are called to be grateful and generous. Look for opportunities to share His peace, not only within our local parish boundaries, but outside of them as well. In giving, we receive the peace of Jesus Christ.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Apr 27 Saturday Easter Octave (W)……Irwin Wong-Sing (AM) **INT**
Bo & Patricia Cheung (PM) **INT**
Apr 28 Sunday of Divine Mercy (W)…….. Fook Bo Cheung **INT**
Apr 29 Monday, St. Catherine of Siena (W)…Chuck McNicholl **INT**
Apr 30 Tuesday,St. Marie De L'Incarnation (W)…Seamus Doherty **+**
May 01 Wednesday, St. Joseph the Worker (W)…Chun Kuen Au **+**
May 02 1st Thursday, St. Athanasius (W)….Cua Sun Yiong **+**
May 03 1st Friday, St. Philip & St. James (R)…….Felipe, Mary & Nancy Cajucom (AM) **+**
Catherine Low (PM) **+**
May 04 1st Saturday, Blessed Marie-Leonie Paradis (W)…Darcy McNicholl (AM) **INT**
Felix & Cecilia Chan (PM) **+**

WELCOME TO NEW PARISHIONERS AND VISITORS: If you would like to become a member of the St. John the Apostle Parish Community, please complete a Parish Registration Form (located by the bulletin board near the main door of the Church) and introduce yourself to the priests. Envelopes are assigned to those who request for them. Please pick them up at the church vestibule or at the Parish Office.

THE IMPORTANCE OF PARISH REGISTRATION AND USE OF PARISH SUNDAY ENVELOPES: Some Church goers are requesting from the parish Letters of Good Standing or Reference Letters as part of Baptism and/or Confirmation Sponsor documents or for other religious certifications or wanting their children enter a Catholic Elementary or Secondary School. The only official and ordinary way to obtain them is to register in the parish and the regular use of envelopes so that when the time comes, it will be based on official records. This is to avoid unnecessary frustrations and misunderstandings when one claims that he/she attends Mass but does not use envelopes. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

Please Pray for the Sick

Joan Archer, Maria Amelia Dias, George Murray, Monika & Adrian Poiron, Lisa Marie & Shanto Mark, Bernadette Percy, Elizabeth Schwertfeger, May Wong, Claire Harrison, Margaret Wong, Ruby Ko, Mane Galbraith, Fr. Peter Chiang, Margaret Frizell, Mark Siy, Maravilla Melchor, Warren & Sean Hughes, Edwin & Suzanne Pearson, Ann Monahan, Peggy Gunn, Margaret Redmond, Barbara Jurenczyk, Megan Maddock, Joseph Wong-Sing, Shirley Sullivan, Sheila Murray , Ramon Marfori, Katherine Griffin

FEAST OF DIVINE MERCY
CELEBRATION AND CONSECRATION
SUNDAY, April 28

All are welcome to join us to celebrate and consecrate to **Divine Mercy** even though you are not participant of ***"33-Days to Merciful Love Do-It-Yourself Retreat in Preparation for Consecration to Divine Mercy"*** OR unable to complete the Retreat.

For the Consecration prayer please remember to bring your consecration certificate (from past years for renewal) OR prayer card OR book

PLACE: SJA Church
TIME: 2:30pm – 4:30pm (Holy hour 3pm to 4pm)

- **2:30pm to 2:50pm Confession**
- **3:00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**
  - **Sing the Divine Mercy Chaplet**
  - **Consecration**
  - **Adoration**
- **4:00pm Benediction**
- **Reception (praise and rejoice and share)**

Contact: Resela rwongsing@shaw.ca

May 3, 2019
First Friday Devotions

Will begin at 9AM. Devotions will end with Benediction at 6:30PM and Mass at 7:00PM. "Please sign up on the sheets provided in the vestibule to spend an hour with our Lord"

A friendly reminder

On the side street of the church, along 39th & Trafalgar, the area between the hydrant and the driveway should be kept clear for those who need it. Thank you.

ON-GOING FAITH STUDY
ST. JOHN THE APOSTLE PARISH

- Immaculate Heart Circle
  Every 2nd & 4rth Thursday 10:00AM-12:00PM
- Fatima Ladies Circle
  Every 1st Saturday 10:00AM-12:00PM
- Monthly Recollection in Chinese
  Every 1st Thursday 6:30PM-9:00PM
- Fr. Anthony's Chinese Prayer Group
  Every 1st & 3rd Sunday 7:15PM-9:00PM

For more information, please email Fr. Anthony Ho at fatheranthonyho@gmail.com

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Save the date
Senior Lunch & Fellowship
Monday, May 20
(Details to follow)

Senior Adult Ministry

Let us continue to keep one another in our prayers during this spring season

Please do not read bulletin during Holy Mass! Thank you!

Meekness helps winning hearts

Christ Jesus said, "Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves" (Matthew 11:29). At the Sermon on the Mount, he said, "Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth" (Matthew 5:5).

Traditionally, this beatitude was seen as related to the gift of piety and the virtue of justice. The gift of piety helps us to live as children of God. When we acknowledge fatherhood of God, we must also acknowledge the brotherhood of men. We recognize others as being created according to the image of God, and thus treat them with respect. The virtue of justice requires us to give to others their due. We should respect others, for all people are either already the temple of God through grace or capable of becoming the temple of God.

St. Francis de Sales (1567-1622) was a saint whose meekness helped to win souls for Christ. Francis was ordained a priest in 1593. As a young priest, he started an expedition to Thonon-les-Bains, France, to convert non-Catholic Christians back to Catholicism. After three difficult years, there was not even one convert. But, Francis was an unusually patient man. He wrote out his leaflets, copied them by hand, and slipped them under the doors of the people who would not listen to him. These leaflets were later published in one volume called "The Catholic Controversy". Today St. Francis de Sales is the patron saint for journalists.

Francis won the heart of the people gradually with his meekness and kindness. The parents would not come to Francis, so he came to their children and played with them. When the parents saw how kind he was as he played with their children, they started to talk to him.

Eventually more and more people came to listen to his sermons, and conversions became more frequent. By the time he left Thonon-les-Bains, Francis had brought 40,000 people back to the Catholic Faith.

St. Francis de Sales said, "When you have to make arrangements, settle quarrels, or win others to your views, take care to be as mild as possible. You will accomplish more, and conquer more readily, by yielding and humbling yourself, than by harshness and disputation. Who does not know that more flies are caught with an ounce of honey than with a hundred barrels of vinegar?"

According to Sacred Scripture, "A soft answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger." (Proverbs 15:1) St. Vincent de Paul said, "At times a single word is sufficient to cool a person who us burning with anger; and , on the other hand, a single word may be capable of desolating a soul, and infusing into it a bitterness which may be most hurtful." St. Vincent de Paul would not permit his missionaries to treat penitents with austerity and harshness. With great patience and cordiality, St. Vincent de Paul also converted many non-Catholic Christians to the Catholic Faith.

St. Francis de Sales labored for twenty-two years to acquire meekness and mildness. He once said, "You see I have made a compact with my tongue, that when anything is said against me that may excite me to anger, it will beware of uttering a word." The saint taught: "The remedies against anger are: 1. To forestall its movements, if possible, or at least to cast them aside quickly, by turning the thoughts to something else. 2. In imitation of the Apostles when they saw the sea raging, to have recourse to God, whose office it is to give peace to the heart. 3. During the heat of passion, not to speak, nor take any action as to the matter in question. 4. To strive to perform acts of kindness and humility towards the person against whom one is incensed, especially in reparation for any of a contrary nature."