

What does it mean to be salt, light, a city built on a mountain? Today's readings remind us that, as Baptized Christians, we can't hide. God --- who is a God of justice and mercy --- had expectations of Israel. The Israelites weren't off the hook regarding how they were to act, and neither are the followers of Jesus. God had expectations of us. People see us, they observe what we do and how we act. What are they seeing? We can't be followers in name only.



You are the salt of the earth. But if salt loses its taste, with what can it be seasoned? It is no longer good for anything but to throw out and trampled underfoot.

---Matthew 5:13

First Reading from Isaiah 58:7-10
God expects Israel to be people of light.

Second Reading from 1 Corinthians 2:1
Paul's strength and wisdom comes from the Lord.

Gospel from Matthew 5:13-16
Others must be able to see our good deeds.



THEOLOGY ON TAP EAST: FAITH IN THE NAKED PUBLIC SQUARE: Monday, February 13, 2017 — 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Boston Pizza, 400 Progress Ave, Scarborough

Special guest: Randy Boyagoda, Principal and Vice-President, University of St. Michael's College. We'll discuss ways in which Catholics can work towards their own commitments to living out their faith in public life. Munchies provided, cash bar, come and bring a friend!

Contact Leigh-Anne Best at leighbest@gmail.com and cc: the church at st.barts@sympatico.ca for more information or to RSVP for the events



Church and St. Vincent de Paul Tax receipts are **NOW** in the **North lobby**.

SUNDAY FOOD DONATION SCHEDULE

February 11-12

Last name starting with Q, R

February 18-19

Last name starting with S



You pray for the hungry. Then you feed them. That's how prayer works.

— Pope Francis —



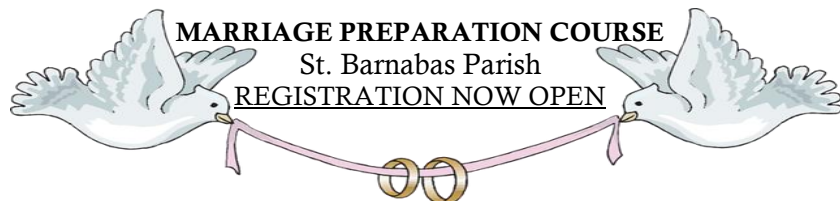
Saturday	February 4, 2017
9:00 am	NILO ABESAMIS (RIP)
5:00 pm	ANTONY MOLA (RIP)
Sunday	February 5, 2017
11:15 am	TERESA LAW (RIP)
1:00 pm	SELWYN JOSEPH (RIP)
Thursday	February 9, 2017
8:30 am	VERBO & HILDA CELINO (RIP)

PLEASE NOTE: Bulletin is submitted a week in advance. To ensure that the name is on the bulletin, the Mass Intention must be booked 2 weeks prior to the date.

JANUARY 28-29, 2017

WEEKLY DONATION:

\$4918.95 (316 ENVELOPES)



Please register with their Parish Office (416-298-0989).

Orientation night: Feb. 9, 2017

Classes will be held on Feb 23, March 2, 9, 16, 23 between 7-9pm & Saturday, March 18 from 10am-3pm. Couse Fee: \$150 per couple.

YOUR ATTENTION PLEASE

1. We are increasing the threshold (minimum donation) for the **2017 TAX RECEIPT** from **\$25.00 to \$50.00.**



Saint Bartholomew's Parish feeds the homeless on February 17th (dinner) and 18th (breakfast & to-go lunch), 2017.

Collection boxes will be in the lobbies on February 4th and 5th, 2017.

Anyone wishing to **volunteer** for the Out of the Cold program which feeds the homeless on **Friday, February 17th (3 pm-10:30pm)** or **Saturday, February 18th (6am-9:30am)**, please leave a message at: **416-948-9662**

PLEASE GIVE GENEROUSLY. THANK YOU.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS presents
A FAMILY DAY CELEBRATION
Monday, February 20 - 9am to noon

Come and receive holy blessings at 9am Mass. Followed by breakfast, games, stories, activities and more.

Breakfast 3 AND UNDER IS FREE, 4 TO 6 IS \$3.00, 7 AND UP IS \$6.00. Tickets available after all Masses in the SOUTH narthex every weekend starting Jan 28 or in the CHURCH OFFICE (Tuesday thru Friday ONLY; Lunch Break between 1pm-2pm).



CELEBRATE YOUR MARRIAGE WITH A WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND!

Celebrate your love and take a fresh look at your marriage! Spend a very special weekend together. A Weekend of discovery...a lifetime of love! Worldwide Marriage Encounter is a weekend getaway that helps married couples rediscover themselves as individuals and as a couple. The Weekend format helps couples communicate openly and honestly without group sharing, therapy or marriage counselling.

Upcoming Weekend: March 17-19, 2017 (Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre, Mississauga)
For more information and application, please go to www.wwe.org or contact: Gerard & Marge McCauley at gerard.marge@rogers.com or (905) 792-1925.



2017 YOUTH RALLY

Inspiring worship led by Chris Bray and his band.

THE LIGHT SHINES IN THE DARKNESS – John 1:5
Metro Toronto Convention Centre
Saturday, March 4, 2017, 9:00AM-5:30PM

TESTIMONIES, TALKS, MUSIC AND VIDEOS

CONNOR FLANAGAN
Speaker and Musical Artist



RACHEL HERBECK
Speaker



CONCLUDE WITH MASS WITH:

BISHOP SCOTT MCCAIG
Presider at Mass



Adult Rally \$25 / Youth Rally \$15

Simultaneous YOUTH RALLY ages 13-18 in the John Basset Theater, right next door
Call 416-251-4255 or 905-270-2510
Email: LJHR@rogers.com

SACRED PAUSES RETREAT

Saturday, February 11 – 9:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Blessed Trinity Parish Hall, 3220 Bayview Ave., Toronto
Take time out of your busy day to break and receive blessings. Simple practices introduced at this retreat will help you live out your day more mindfully. Our facilitator, Trena Finnegan, is a graduate from Regis College in spiritual direction. Please register at the parish office before February 3.

COST: \$15 (includes lunch) **PHONE:** 416-226-0262

EMAIL: blessed_trinity@rogers.com



Family of Faith

The Family of Faith campaign will be issuing 2016 tax receipts for donations by the end of February 2017. **These receipts are NOT issued by the church.**

If you have questions about your tax receipts, please contact Arthur Peters at 416-934-3400 x559 or apeters@archtoronto.org