

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
February 12, 2017

First Reading: (Sirach 15,15-20)
Second Reading: (1 Corinthians 2,6-10)

SHROVE TUESDAY – February 28
PANCAKE SUPPER –5 pm-Parish Hall

100% of the proceeds go to our ShareLife Campaign.

Tickets are \$5 per person, \$3 for children 6 years old and under - Pancakes or Waffles, Sausage, Coffee, Juice. Tickets will be on sale after all Masses this weekend.

LETTERS OF REFERENCE FOR
CATHOLIC TEACHER APPLICANTS

If you or one of your children are currently studying to become a teacher in our Catholic schools, part of the application process for the Board includes a letter of reference from your pastor. If you are from this parish and intend to ask for a reference letter, please note that you will have to be attending Mass here regularly before such a recommendation will be given. If you have a son or daughter currently in Teacher's College who intend to use Merciful Redeemer as the parish from which they will request a letter of reference but they do not attend this parish (because they are away at school), they will be required to obtain a letter from the pastor of the parish where they are attending while away at school.

DON'T FORGET

If you have a change of address or telephone number, send us an email to: office@mercifulredeemer.org

STATIONS OF THE CROSS
DURING LENT

There will be Stations of the Cross every Friday during Lent at 7:00 p.m. followed by Holy Mass. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

LENT RECONCILIATION

Mark your calendars for our lent reconciliation service with individual confessions on **Wednesday MARCH 15, 2017.**

Mass  for the Intentions  Week

Monday 12:15 p.m.

+Esmeralda Munoz, +Felicita D'Souza,
 Sp. Int. for Kurt Maharaj

Tuesday 7:00 p.m.

+Felix Reveredo, +Romualdo & Lourdes De Andrade,
 +Dusko Polic

Wednesday 12:15 p.m.

+Michael Ward, Sp. Int. for Ibtisam Jajo, Ed & Carmen Palacio

Thursday 7:00 p.m.

+Adam Laskowski, +Rene Ferri, +Elenita Quindara

Friday 12:15 p.m.

+Lazarus Fernandes, +Allan Rodrigues, +Ernesto Occhio To

Saturday

+Subhashchandran Sampanthan, +Julia Arinez, +Gina Occhipinti, +Lazarus Fernandes, +Ellen Cabagnet-Salvatirra,
 +Evelyn D'Souza
 Special Intentions

Saturday 5:00 p.m., Sp. Int. for the Healy & Butt Families, Mary & Billy Farquhar

Saturday 7:00 p.m., +Marianne & Stephen Nogueira,
 +John Hoare, +Jose Oliveria Jr.

Sunday 8:30 a.m., +Lydia De Ocampo, +Andrei Jerome Villa, Thanksgiving by Colin Soares

Sunday 11:30 a.m., +Fr. Richard Saldanha, +Carmelo Lauricella, +Mr. & Mrs. L. Menzies

Sunday 7:00 p.m., +Lewis D'Souza, Thanksgiving for Joseph, Marilyn and Family

COME & SEE WEEKEND

Friday, March 17 – March 19
St. Augustine's Seminary, Scarborough

The Office of Vocation is hosting a Come and See weekend for single Catholic men 18 years and older to cultivate a deeper prayer life and relationship with Jesus Christ, leading to better discernment of God's call for their lives. Time for prayer, reflection and information on the process of becoming one of Christ's disciples as a Catholic priest. For more information email: vocations@archtoronto.org

MARRIAGE WEEKEND MEDITATION

Pope Francis invites Families to
Pray... TOGETHER!

Family prayer is a special way of expressing and strengthening this paschal faith. A few minutes can be found each day to come together before the living God, to tell him our worries, to ask for the needs of our family, to pray for someone experiencing difficulty, to ask for help in showing love, to give thanks for life and for its blessings, and to ask Our Lady to protect us beneath her maternal mantle. With a few simple words, this moment of prayer can do immense good for our families. The various expressions of popular piety are a treasure of spirituality for many families. The family's communal journey of prayer culminates by sharing together in the Eucharist, especially in the context of the Sunday rest. Jesus knocks on the door of families, to share with them the Eucharistic supper (cf. Rev 3:20). There, spouses can always seal anew the paschal covenant which united them and which ought to reflect the covenant which God sealed with mankind in the cross. The Eucharist is the sacrament of the new covenant, where Christ's redemptive work is carried out (cf. Lk 22:20). The close bond between married life and the Eucharist thus becomes all the more clear. For the food of the Eucharist offers the spouses the strength and incentive needed to live the marriage covenant each day as a "domestic church".

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 information and application, please go to www.wwme.org or contact: Gerard & Marge McCauley at gerard.marge@rogers.com or (905) 792-1925.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CLOTHING DROP-OFFS

Merciful Redeemer Parish is blessed to have a number of dedicated and generous persons who serve the poor and needy through the good work of the Saint Vincent de Paul Society. Others contribute through the offering of money or other goods, which can be given directly to the needy, or sold to support programs and offerings to the disadvantaged in our community. Please note, however, that items to be donated to the St Vincent de Paul Society are to be delivered directly to their centre (265 Lakeshore Rd E, Mississauga, ON L5G 1G8; 9AM-4:45PM; 905-278-0437). Items left at the Church after this weekend will not be brought to the St Vincent de Paul Society.

Please prayerfully consider if you are able to contribute as an active member of the St Vincent de Paul Society, which does so much good, and whose efforts are limited only because more volunteers have yet to come forward.

St Vincent de Paul: pray for us!

25th LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY

Saturday March 4, 2017

9:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

A grace filled day with renowned Catholic speakers, Divine Mercy Celebration, Eucharistic Healing Procession, confessions, Mass with Archbishop Thomas Collins and uplifting music. There will be a special event for teens! Adults \$25 and Youth \$15 For tickets visit www.lift-jesus-higher-rally.ca or call Enza 905-301-3376.