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From the Desk of Fr. Tim...

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ShareLife 2018: Living the Gospel by maximizing the impact of your donation...

Administered by St. Elizabeth HealthCare, the Shared Services Initiative is supporting other *ShareLife*-funded agencies in the areas of human resources, financial services and information technology. Participating agencies report that they are able to improve the quality, competency and accuracy of their work. Through this initiative, *ShareLife*-funded agencies are ensuring the maximum amount received is directed to the front-line service they provide.

This weekend, we welcome Arthur Peters, Executive Director of *ShareLife* to speak to us about the ways in which your donation this year will have great impact on each of the 34 agencies assisted by *ShareLife*.

Thank you for your contributions to this year's campaign- we have collected \$127,780 toward our parish goal of \$227,000. Next Sunday, May 27, is *ShareLife* Sunday. Please give generously.

"Hope for Haiti" Appeal...

Our parishioners have made generous financial contributions of over \$20,000 to purchase and transport a shipping container to Jacmel, Haiti this June to help our poor brothers and sisters in need.

Together with the Grade 7 students in our 3 parish schools, we ask you, your family, and your friends to help us fill the shipping container with items that are most needed in Haiti. These items include new school supplies, new sports equipment (soccer balls, basketballs, etc.), new toiletries (soap, shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrushes, etc.), new baby items (bottles, soothers, toys, diapers, etc.) and new flashlights with batteries.

Kindly bring your donations to the church by Sunday, May 27, 2018. There is a donation box outside the parish office. Once again, we thank you very much for your support!

J.O.Y. Club Pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of Our Lady of Fatima...

Join the J.O.Y. Club on a trip to the Basilica of the National Shrine of Our Lady of Fatima Shrine in Lewiston, New York on Saturday, May 26, 2018. The cost is \$50 per person. We will be traveling by motorcoach leaving the church at 7:30 a.m. SHARP and returning at approximately 7:00 p.m. Please bring your own lunch (no fruits or vegetables allowed to cross the U.S. border) or purchase your lunch at the Shrine cafeteria. Coffee stops are planned at Gateway in Casablanca to and from the U.S. border. Each pilgrim must have a valid passport (valid until November 27, 2018).

Please purchase your tickets a.s.a.p. from the parish office. At the time of sign-up, please bring your valid passport and (where applicable) VISA documents for entering the United States for the parish staff to verify expiration dates. Payment is required in full. There are **no** refunds. Please see bulletin board poster for further details. Visit: <u>www.fatimashrine.com</u> for more details about the Shrine.

Youth Appreciation Bowling Party...

All Youth Group members, Altar Servers and Youth Choir members are invited to the Annual Youth Appreciation Bowling Party at *Streetsville Bowl* taking place next Sunday, May 27 from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. Lunch, bowling and shoe rental are included. Permission forms are available from the parish office. The event is supervised. The **deadline for signing up is this Monday, May 21**. For any questions, please speak with Fr. Charles, 905-820-1444 ext. 23 a.s.a.p.

Confirmation Program: Distribution of Certificates and Post-Confirmation Session...

This is a reminder to our newly confirmed grade 7 parish school students and the students of the RCIC Program, that they will need to attend the final class on either Monday, May 28 or Wednesday, May 30 from 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. in the parish hall. There will be a presentation from the *New Generation Office* at the Office of Catholic Youth called, "Made with love, for love and by love." Confirmation certificates will also be handed out. If you have any questions or concerns, please speak with Fr. Charles, 905-820-1444 ext. 22.

From the Desk of Fr. Tim... continued...

Society of St. Vincent de Paul "Bundle Up" Sunday Collection - June 2/3 - Please let those gently used items you can do without, help to benefit your neighbours in need. We will be accepting clothing, footwear, bedding, drapery, towels and toys. We do not accept books, construction materials, dishes, furniture or audio/video cassettes. Kindly place your donations in securely tied green garbage bags or sealed boxes. The SVP truck will be in the front parking lot and volunteers will be happy to assist you before and after the masses.

St. Jude's Cupboard is open this weekend after all masses. All proceeds are used to support the parish's outreach program for the Salvation Army Food Bank at Glen Erin and the Collegeway.

The Knights of Columbus Scholarship Program – The Knights of Our Lady of Peace Council #8668 are providing a \$1000 scholarship to graduating secondary school students entering their first year of a post-secondary education. Candidates must have been accepted into the first year of a Full-time program an accredited University or College in Canada. The criteria will include academic achievement and service to the Church, school and community. There are more application requirements and details on the application form which is available on the bulletin board in the front vestibule. The application deadline is June 1, 2018.

The Faith Explained Conference: Handing on the Faith in an age of unbelief – The conference will take place at St. Joseph's Secondary School, 5555 Creditview Rd., Mississauga on Saturday, May 26 from 10 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. The speakers include Dr. Tim Gray, President of the Augustine Institute, Lighthouse Media and FORMED Bestselling Catholic author, and Cale Clarke, Director, The Faith Explained Seminars. Advance tickets (\$25) are available at TheFaithExplained.com/Conference or at the door for \$30. Parking is free, and a packed lunch is available for purchase. You may also bring your own lunch. Please see the poster on the bulletin board.

Save the Date for the J.O.Y. Club Movie Night - Friday, June 8 at 7:00 p.m. in the parish hall. The movie is about St. Faustina and her vision of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, used to obtain mercy, trust in Christ's mercy and to show mercy to others. The cost is a Twoonie for snacks and refreshments. All are welcome!

Call for Conscience 2018 – An Invitation from Cardinal Collins - Cardinal Thomas Collins, Archbishop of Toronto, recently issued a call to action in advance of the June 7 provincial election to promote palliative care, conscience rights and the protection of faith-based facilities. His Eminence has asked Catholics to visit canadiansforconscience.ca/ontario to send a letter directly to all candidates in their riding for the June 7 election. A pre-written letter is provided which people can amend as they choose. If you did not receive Cardinal Collins' emailed letter and you would like to receive them in the future, please visit bit.ly/archtosignup Thank you for advocating on these important issues!

Remembering the Parish in Your Will - The month of May is "Leave a Legacy Month". A bequest is a beautiful way to express your faith and your gratitude for a lifetime of blessings! A gift to the parish or any of our diocesan charities in your Will creates a legacy that will help the Church continue its heritage of service and pastoral care to the faith community. When making your Will, please consider a bequest to St. Ignatius Loyola Parish. To learn more about making a bequest, please call the parish office or the Development Office of the Archdiocese at 416-934-3411 ext. 519 or visit <u>www.archtoronto.org/development</u>.

Catholic Family Services Walk-In Program...

Walk-in Counselling is offered on Tuesdays from 12:30 – 7:30 p.m. at The Emerald Business Centre 10 Kingsbridge Garden Circle, Suite 400. You may also pre-register for Walk-In Counselling or inquire about their services by calling 905-450-1608 ext. 201.

Their professional counselling staff is trained to offer Walk-In services to clients who have an urgent need to speak with a counsellor.

Free child-minding and free parking are available. Counselling fees are charged according to a client's income level. No one is denied service because of his/her inability to pay fees. Catholic Family Services is a *ShareLife* funded agency.

