

Lourdes Food Bank Food Drive – Oct 3 & 4

Week to week and month to month throughout the year this vital parish ministry consistently and faithfully reaches out to help the people of our neighborhood. August 2014 to September 2015 our food bank served 8455 adults and children. On October 3&4, we will be collecting non-perishable food items (cans, boxes, packages) at the doors of the church at each of our weekend Masses. (The Health department does not allow us to give any outdated products or partially used or opened packages.) Thank you for your generosity and continuing support of our Food Bank.

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The Doh-Re-Mi's of Singing

Would you like to learn how to read simple music and follow along in singing the notes of your favourite hymn? Come and join in a 4 week series that will teach us the basics of how to read music, count out the meter and rhythms and sing the notes for any melody. Bring your enthusiasm, curiosity, voice and a pencil (a notebook, too if you like!) Music dictation booklets will be provided. The workshops are open to all, Wednesdays, October 7, 14, 21, and 28 from 7:00 to 8:30 pm in the Library. Please register by calling the Parish at 416-924-6257.

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Refugee Sponsorship at Our Lady of Lourdes

Since early spring, the parish has been preparing to sponsor a refugee family. With the current refugee crisis, and Cardinal Collins' recent announcement regarding Project Hope, in support of refugee sponsorship, those preparations have now been expedited. In the coming weeks we will keep you informed of the process and necessities for the successful settlement of refugee families. This parish initiative will need a lot of support in volunteers, resources and prayers. We ask you to keep in your prayers all those throughout our world who have been forced to leave their homeland and have been turned away from others.

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BLESSING OF PETS: Next Sunday October 4th at 3:00pm we will bless cats, dogs, birds and any pets you wish. Simply bring them on a leash or in a cage to the **Parish Backyard**.



Day Pilgrimage to Three Marian Shrines: Join us on Saturday, October 31 for a special pilgrimage to *Our Lady of Fatima Shrine*, *Our Lady of Victory Shrine* (Buffalo, New York) and *Our Lady of Mount Carmel* (Canada). The Bus Coach leaves at 7am and returns to Lourdes by 7pm. Coach fare is \$65.00 per person. Bring a bag lunch and please remember to bring a valid passport. For more information call Benny @ 416-929-8665; Gigi @ 647-740-20743; Violy @ 416-315-7013 or Adele @ 416-368-0951.

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Our Lady of Lourdes Capital Campaign:

We are into the final phase of our Capital Campaign and are hoping to wrap everything up by the end of October. We have topped the \$1,200,000 mark and are doing great! The general mail-out is taking place now, so please keep an eye out for your campaign package. If you have any questions, please call us at 416-924-6257.

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You are warmly invited to come to the Pauline Book & Media Fair that will be held here at Lourdes the weekend of October 17 &18 in Bernadette Hall before and after each of our Sunday Masses. Check out the selection of Catholic bibles, books, music CD's and DVD movies. You'll be sure to find something inspiring for yourself or others. Please stop by and show your support for the Sisters who this year celebrate their 100th Anniversary of Evangelization with the Media of Communications. Information about the life and mission of the Daughters of St. Paul/Pauline Books & Media can be found at www.pauline.org

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How to Read the Bible: A Simple Introduction

There are many ways to pray and read the Bible. In this workshop series we will look at simple ways to begin to read and understand the Word of God and how we can live it. Come and join Sr. Mary Babic on Mondays November 9, 16, 23 and 30 from 7pm to 8:30pm in the Library. There is no cost for the series, but we do ask you to register by calling the Parish Office at 416-924-6257. Please bring a bible.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, September 28

8:00 am Nichane Eurdolier + [Isabel Dournayan]
 12:10 pm Thanksgiving [Mary Leung]
 5:15 pm Conchita Leyton [Mario Delgado]

Tuesday, September 29

8:00 am Thanksgiving – Hyekyung Kim’s Birthday [Amy]
 12:10 pm John Barrack’s Intention [Mother]
 5:15 pm Vladimir Dolanjski + [Millie Dolanjski]

Wednesday, September 30

8:00 am Special Intention [Ana]
 12:10 pm Thanksgiving - Birthday [Annabelle]
 5:15 pm Sebene Asgedom + [Stephanie]

Thursday, October 1

8:00 am Manuel Francisco D’Costa + [Lourdes]
 12:10 pm All Souls in Purgatory [Violy Balayo]
 5:15pm Avelina Chavez + [Rosario Chavez]

Friday, October 2

8:00 am Holy Souls in Purgatory [Henriette Cudmore]
 12:10 pm Gerardo & Gregoria Losentes + [Heidi Losentes]
 5:15pm All Souls in Purgatory [Cora Balatero]

Saturday, October 3

8:00 am Steven Willis + [Una O’Connor]
 12:10 pm For the Protection of Unborn Children
 [Masses for Life Project]

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED:

*Manuel Francisco D’Costa, Connie Cuello
 Peter Parreno, Steven Willis
 Kathleen Dinwoodie, Johanna Schultheis*

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SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR THE NEEDS OF

THE CANADIAN CHURCH: This weekend at all of our Sunday Masses, there will be an opportunity to contribute to the Needs of the Canadian Church Fund. This collection helps our Canadian Bishops meet the needs of the Canadian Church, especially in underdeveloped areas. Envelopes can be found in the pews and donations can be placed in the collection basket at the same time as you make your regular Sunday Offering. Thank you.

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NEWSFLASH: You are invited to attend a **HEALTH SEMINAR** on September 27, 2015 @ 3:00pm in Lynch Hall, the 6th of the series. Come and get a **FREE QUANTUM RESONANCE DIAGNOSTIC MACHINE TEST** done that will reveal the state of your health!! The next seminars will be on Oct 25 and Nov 22. Let us continue to have a healthy 2015!

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Did you know that under the guidance of Pope Benedict XVI, the Vatican became the first carbon neutral state in the world by offsetting its carbon emissions through renewable energies and carbon credits? Pope Benedict personally led on the topic of renewable energy by instituting projects to put thousands of solar panels on Vatican buildings, using a hybrid “Pope Mobile,” and compensating his air travel with carbon credits.

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Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Every 1st Friday of the Month 8:30 am until 7pm
Come and spend some time in quiet prayer
 Next date: **Friday, October 2, 2015**

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If you have moved or are new to the parish, please let us know by filling out one of our Parishioner Registration forms located at the back of the church. You can drop the completed forms at the Welcome Desk in Bernadette Hall. Or email us at parish@ourladyoflourdes.ca



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Pre-Authorized Giving Plan

Pre-Authorized Giving allows those who wish, to have their monthly donations debited directly from their bank accounts. Our Lady Of Lourdes has this program in place and we are giving our parishioners this option for their method of giving. We respect that giving is a very personal thing, but we hope the implementation of this optional plan will be a source of convenience for some of you. Brochures are available in the front vestibule or the Parish Office. For information contact us at 416-924-6257 or parish@ourladyoflourdes.ca

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BEAUTY FROM OUR FAITH

*We are not the sum of our weaknesses and failures.
 We are the sum of the Father’s love for us and our real capacity to become the image of his Son.*

~ St. John Paul II

Lourdes @ a glance: the week of September 27- October 3						
Sun 27	Mon 28	Tues 29	Wed 30	Thurs 1	Fri 2	Sat 3
26 th Sunday in Ordinary Time RCIA 11:30am		Alpha 6pm			First Friday Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	Alpha Weekend Away