

Depending upon where we live, many of us are unaware of those who actually suffer because of their faith. But many circumstances can challenge our commitment: politics, economic choices, job decisions, or lifestyle. Like the early Christians, we are promised the guiding presence of the Spirit. How prepared are we to suffer for or at least be uncomfortable with living the Gospel? How open are we to the Spirit's influence in our lives?



Jesus said to his disciples: "If you love me, you will keep my commandments."—John 14:15

First Reading from Acts 8:5-8, 14-17
Praying for the Spirit's presence among the Samaritans
Second Reading from 1 Peter 3:15-18
Encouragement to Christians enduring suffering
Gospel from John 14:15-21
Jesus promises to send the Spirit



(Ages 18-39)

UPCOMING EVENTS:

May 19, 2017 @7:00pm- St. Ignatius Demeerton Retreat Centre (Sideroad 20 N., Mildmay, Ont.)
Youth Teams of Our Lady (YTOL) in Canada presents: "The Universal Call to Holiness: Vocations (Purposeful Singlehood, Religious Discernment and Marriage).
Guest Speaker **Patrick Sullivan**.
More Info Contact: Lukasz Jach (226.868.0355)

May 29, 2017 @7:00-9:00pm-Duke of York Pub (39 Prince Arthur Ave.)
Theology on Tap: Serving with Absolute Respect and Unconditional Love.
Guest Speaker **Bruce Rivers** (Covenant House)

May 28, 2017 @ Mancala Monk Board Games Café (1229 Cannon St. East, Hamilton)
Catholic Meet-Up: Board Games Cafe
A night when young Catholic adults can enjoy great company, great food and great fun!

Please join us in welcoming our new Lead Team (Eastern Region Young Adult Ministers):
Hillary Arulnesam, David Paul, Chanelle Robinson and Klaudia Rychlincka



Saturday	May 20, 2017
5:00 PM	JURMAN ALBERTS MARIA (RIP)
Sunday	May 21, 2017
11:15 AM	ROGELIO FAJARDO (RIP)
1:00 PM	CASIANO & FRANCISCA ARANJUEZ (RIP)
Tuesday	May 23, 2017
8:30 AM	ROBERT CHAN (RIP)
Saturday	May 27, 2017
9:00 AM	MARIANO JHOCSON (RIP)



CONFIRMATION

JUNE 3, 2017

During 5:00 pm Mass

SUNDAY FOOD DONATION SCHEDULE

May 27-28

Last name starting with T, U, V

JUNE 3-4

Last name starting with W, X, Y, Z

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

— Pope Francis —

NEW AND EXCITING PRESENTATIONS AND WORKSHOPS

Presented by

Catholic Family Services of Toronto

Posted on our Community Bulletin Board

May 21, 2017

6th SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 13-14, 2017
WEEKLY DONATIONS
\$4861.00 (284 ENVELOPES)
BUILDING FUND

\$2905.15
THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR
GENEROSITY! GOD BLESS US ALL.



**FROM THE HUMBLE MILK
BAG TO THE TREASURED
BED OR FASHION BAG...**

We are collecting the outer milk bags to donate to MILKBAGSunlimited to be made into numerous items used by the needy and homeless.
Please place FOLDED NOT CRUMPLED bags in the basket located in the washroom lobby.

C.W.L. GENERAL MEETING

May 23, 2017 @ 7:00 pm

**A big Thank You for all those who helped and took part in the bake sale and raffle.

**St. Bartholomew Parish
Contributions to the Family of Faith**

Please remember to contribute toward your pledge which you made to our parish's Family of Faith campaign. Your continued payments to our campaign add to our building fund for our hall and help the diocese in many practical ways to welcome and to serve those who come to our church to encounter Christ.

To date we have received a total of

\$54,418.17



You can work wonders!

OUR PARISH GOAL IS: \$56,000.00
TOTAL COLLECTION TO DATE IS: \$23,240.00

Living the Gospel by caring for the elderly
"Words cannot convey our gratitude to Elizabeth and to the Society of Sharing for giving our mother a new meaning to her life. Before the friendly visit program started, our mother was very depressed and unmotivated. However, her life changed when Elizabeth started to visit her. Elizabeth is a very kind, energetic and enthusiastic volunteer and her hobby is artwork. She decided to share her talent with our mother and has been giving her art lessons in acrylic painting. The intellectual stimulation has been tremendous and, as a result, has enhanced her health and her quality of life as she relaxes and focuses on her art projects. Thank you again, for all your support." Last year ShareLife-supported agencies provided outreach programs that met the needs of over 2,200 seniors.

Next ShareLife collection is: June 4, 2017

Thank you for your generosity.

**For donations in cheque please make it out to:
St. Bartholomew Parish – SHARELIFE**

**FALLSVIEW CASINO BUS-TRIP
JUNE 10, 2017**

BUS LEAVING ST.BARTS 8:45am. RETURN 7:45pm
(2 HOUR STOP AT NIAGARA OUTLET MALL ON RETURN TRIP)
ONLY 27 TICKETS AVAILABLE IN PARISH OFFICE
\$20 EACH with FREE \$10 PLAYCARD

All PROCEEDS GO TO ST. BART'S BUILDING FUND



**ST. BARTHLOMEW MINISTRY WITH
MATURING ADULTS**

SATURDAY June 24, 2017 @ 12noon
Come and Meet Your Fellow Maturing Parishioners. Make New Friends and Rediscover Your Past Friends!

**PURCHASE TICKETS IN LOBBY OR
CHURCH OFFICE. \$5/PERSON**