

## A Church of Welcome

The Church indicates that the people of God, as represented by the local Church, are responsible for the initiation of new members.

### Who Initiates?

Our pastoral team regularly receives inquiries from adults and school age children seeking information about "becoming a Catholic". Following an initial meeting, we invite and encourage these people to join us for Sunday liturgy. Their experience of worshipping God with us shapes their understanding of liturgy and what it means to live as a Catholic Christian. As members of the Sunday community, each of us has an impact on the quality of our liturgy and the impression that others receive. As the baptized, we are responsible for the initiation of others. This responsibility marks us as the community of faith and calls us to pray for one another so that we may fulfill this responsibility with grace and dignity.

**Our 2009 campaign theme is:**

***You Can Work Wonders***  
**SHARELIFE GOAL \$139,000**  
**750 DONORS**

Together, we can respond to the challenge and reach our goals!

All cheques should be made payable to:  
 ShareLife - St. John the Evangelist Church  
 You may submit post-dated cheques for your donation.

***It's a wonder young mothers can create opportunities for themselves and their children...***

"**Rose of Sharon** has helped me because they have shown me how to be a serious and responsible parent, and showed me ways that I can take care of and adapt to a newborn, and the things I'll need to know in the future for her. So now I am more into my school education because

I know that I really need it for the future to provide for my daughter."

- *Young mother from **Rose of Sharon***

The 3<sup>rd</sup> and final ShareLife Collection is June 7, 2009

The last day for donations is July 31, 2009

### **SHARELIFE COLLECTION - Week 7**

<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
<b>\$75,386.</b>	\$73,741.
<u>Donors</u>	
<b>354</b>	343

### ***EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS***

Please consider helping the Sunday Home Communion Ministry. We are still in need of Eucharistic Ministers for Seniors and shut-ins after the 9am Sunday Mass. Training will be provided. Please contact the parish office (905) 668-3676.

### **Nominations for Pastoral Council**

Each year you are invited to nominate a member of the parish to sit on the Pastoral Council for a two-year term. Nomination forms are available at the back of the Church this weekend. **The last day for receiving nominations is Sunday May 24<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm.** Please place the completed forms in the Sunday collection baskets, give it to Sr. Ann or Fr. Anthony, or drop it off at the Parish Office. Each nominee is asked to submit a photograph of themselves to assist with the election process, no later than Wed. May 27<sup>th</sup>. The election will take place on Saturday June 6<sup>th</sup> and Sunday June 7<sup>th</sup>.

**Duffers Unite Again!!**

Golfers won't want to miss the fourth annual St John's Golf Day. Pastoral Council presents this 9-hole event on Saturday May 30th with the first tee-off at 8:30am. The event once again will be held at the picturesque Spring Creek Golf Club in Pickering. \$40 entry fee. A light



lunch will follow. This is a Best Ball tournament format. Teams preferred but singles welcomed. Registration is easy. Just contact Desi Toner at [dtoner2000@rogers.com](mailto:dtoner2000@rogers.com) or 905-668-9448 by May 24th. Space is limited to just 15 teams/60 golfers so reserve your spot early.

**Masses For The Week**

Sat. May 23 - 5:00pm

**+Greg Steffler**

*req. by Kathie Steffler*

Mon. May 25 – 8:20am

**+Stefan Hozjan & the members of the Hozjan Family**

*req. Alice Hozjan*

Wed. May 27 – 7:00pm

**+Olga Sambirsky**

*req. by Ann Belej-Corrigan & Family*

Thu. May 28 – 8:20am

**+Donna Williamson**

*req. by Pat Conway*

Fri. May 29 – 8:20am

**+Deceased members of the Kapular Family**

*req. by The Kapular Family*

Sat. May 30 – 5:00pm

**+Joanne O'Driscoll**

*req. by Christine, Anna & Gerry Hannon*

**St. Therese Parish**  
**3800 Courtice Road, Courtice**

On the Feast of St. Anthony June 13<sup>th</sup>, following the 4:30pm Mass, St. Therese Parish will have an outdoor procession with the statue of St. Anthony. All are invited to attend.

**Toronto Serra Club**

Before the Ascension, Jesus tells His Apostle to go back into the city – to wait – to pray for the Holy Spirit to show them God's will for their future. Where is the Holy Spirit leading you? If you feel that you are being led to a Church vocation, call Fr. Liborio (416) 968-0997

**You Are Invited**

There will be a Mass of Thanksgiving celebrating the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary to the Priesthood of Reverend J. Bernard Canning on Sunday, May 31, 2009 at noon, at St. Gertrude's Parish, 690 King St. E., Oshawa. A reception in the Parish Hall will follow. Everyone is welcome.

**SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION**

The sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated with our children next weekend, May 30 at 2:00 p.m. and May 31 at 1:00 and 3:30 p.m. Please keep these children and their families in your prayers. Thank you to those who chose a flame at the Rite of Enrolment in November and who have been faithfully praying for these candidates.



Please remember in your prayers this week, our parishioners and family who are ill, and those who care for them:

RAY HAYES, HELEN LECOURS,  
JANINA MALYJASIAK, RAY CORMIER