

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PASTOR'S CORNER



Recently, I came across this very funny, or perhaps extremely sad, reflection about New Year's resolutions: Last New Year I made six resolutions and I am proud to say that I kept them all year long. I kept them in an envelope in the top drawer of my desk. Most of us will end up breaking any New Year resolutions we make. We feel bad about breaking them, but it is not easy to keep resolutions, is it? It takes effort, sacrifice and determination to keep these resolutions. I had been looking for some resolutions that it would be possible to keep and I have found ten of them I think we all can faithfully keep:

1. I will gain weight while eating out more.
2. I will stop exercising.
3. I will pray less and eat more.
4. I will waste food.
5. I will get more credit cards.
6. I will break the traffic laws.
7. I will focus on the faults of others to feed my ego.
8. I will go to church every Christmas and Easter.
9. I will shop every day and spend more and more on the things I do not need.
10. I will never make New Year's resolutions again.

A guy asked his friend for a cigarette.

The friend replied, "I thought you made a New Year's resolution to quit smoking."

He answered, "I'm in the process of quitting. Right now, I am in the middle of phase one."

"What's phase one?" his friend asked.

To which he replied, "I've quit buying."

Next week I will share with you my personal point of view regarding this matter.

Fr. Slawek

YOUR HEALTH : As cold and flu season approaches, to ensure the health of the entire community, parishioners are encouraged to stay home from Mass and parish functions if they are experiencing symptoms of the flu virus, colds, etc. Respect and concern for the common good takes precedence. Thank you for your cooperation! To minimize risks please use the hand sanitizers that are located at each entrance!

ATTENTION ALL PARISHIONERS—Reception of Holy Communion

It has come to my attention that some people, receiving on the hand, carry the Sacred Host back to their seats. This is forbidden. Please be sure to consume Jesus, truly present in the Sacred Host, right after you receive Him. You must consume the Host in the front of the church, right after receiving. There are people who wish to steal consecrated Hosts for the sake of rituals. If you see anyone walking away without having consumed the Sacred Host please alert one of the Ushers, the Sacristan—Anthony or Fr. Slawek.

JANUARY 15, 2023



Society of Saint Vincent de Paul

Turning concern into action

Charity unites us to God... There is nothing mean in charity, nothing arrogant. Charity knows no schism, does not rebel, does all things in concord. In charity all the elect of God have been made perfect.

Pope St. Clement I

Thank you for your contributions to the Poor Box after Mass.

ANOTHER WAY TO DONATE TO OUR PARISH

Pre-Authorized Giving Plan—Pre-Authorized Giving is a very simple procedure. When you participate in Pre-Authorized Giving, your offering will be withdrawn from your account on or about the 20th of the month. This amount will then be deposited to the Parish's account.

This amount will be receipted at the end of the year for tax purposes.

Application forms are on the table at the back of the church.

A silent Ignatian weekend retreat for men.

Friday, January 27 to Sunday, January 29, 2023
7 p.m. - 1 p.m.

As faithful, we are aware of the universal call to holiness. All Christians in any state or walk of life, are called to holiness. On this retreat we consider our own wholeness as we approach this call. Am I complete and harmonious within myself?

or am I somehow divided or lacking or even broken? Through praying with scripture and through entering into silence we begin to see the person whom God sees, and the person God desires us to be—the person God calls to holiness.

Facilitated by Fr. Jim Kelly, SJ. A
Suggested offering of \$245 per person.
Includes 2 nights' accommodation, meals, program and spiritual direction.

Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre
2325 Liverpool Rd., Pickering
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CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in January 2023 & support the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service.

Call Liturgical Publications at 905-624-4422

MASS INTENTIONS



Tuesday, January 17

9 a.m. Repose of the soul of Manuel Julius req. by the Sebastian family.

Wednesday, January 18

9 a.m. Private Intentions.

Thursday, January 19

9 a.m. Repose of the soul of Frank G. Ficnar Jr. req. by the Ficnar family.

Friday, January 20

9 a.m. Intentions of Hollis Gonzales req. by the Popescu family.

Saturday, January 21

4:30p.m. Repose of the soul of Salvatore Mirabelli req. by the family.

Sunday, January 22

9 a.m. Intentions of all Parishioners.

11 a.m. Intentions of Eran Amarasingha req. by Anthony & Chandi Amarasingha.

HOLY SPIRIT PARISH OFFERING DECEMBER/JANUARY

DECEMBER 25, 2022

Regular Envelope Offering \$ 6,190.00
Christmas Offering \$ 5,805.00

DECEMBER 31, 2022

Regular Envelope Offering \$ 5,040.00
Building Fund Offering \$ 555.00
Christmas Offering \$ 1,175.00

JANUARY 1, 2023

Initial Envelope Offering \$ 1,075.00
Solemnity of Mary \$ 1,615.00
Regular Envelope Offering \$ 3,325.00

JANUARY, 2023

Regular Envelope Offering \$ 3,347.00
Building Fund Offering \$ 1,320.00

Thank you for your continued generosity

2022 Tax Receipt

Attention all Parishioners 2022
Tax receipts will be mailed out
at the end of February.