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IF WE WISH TO MAKE ANY PROGRESS IN THE SERVICE OF GOD we must begin every day of our life with new eagerness. We must keep ourselves in the presence of God as much as possible and have no other view or end in all our actions but the divine honor. – CARLO BORROMEO

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM: Parents who wish to have their child baptized are asked to complete the Baptism Preparation Program. For registration details, please contact the Parish Office.

MARRIAGE: Couples planning to be married are asked to contact the Pastor at least ONE YEAR in advance of their anticipated date and to participate in a Marriage Preparation Course.

RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION): Confessions are heard every Saturday from 3:30pm to 4pm.

PASTORAL TEAM

Fr Mario Cafarelli c.PP.S. PASTOR
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OFFICE HOURS

MON / TUE / THU / FRI 9AM TO 3PM
WED 9AM TO 12:30PM
SAT 9AM TO 12PM

EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATION

MON to FRI 8AM ITALIAN & ENGLISH
MON / TUES / THU 9AM ENGLISH
WED / FRI 7PM ENGLISH

SAT (SUN VIGIL) 4:30PM ENGLISH

SUN
 8AM ITALIAN
 9:30AM ENGLISH
 11AM ITALIAN
 12:30PM ENGLISH

FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTION

On the first Friday of each month, the Holy Rosary is prayed at 6:30pm, followed by the celebration of Holy Mass, a Holy Hour, and the Sacrament of Confession.

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PARISH AND LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

We warmly invite parishioners to share their gifts in our ministries. Please contact the Parish Office to learn more.

Adult Choir (ENGLISH, 12:30PM)
Catholic Women's League
Coro Adulti (ITALIANO, 11AM)
Daughters of Isabella

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion
Ministers of the Word
Ministers of Welcome
Ministers to the Altar

Ministry to the Sick
Precious Blood Prayer Group
RCIA rcia.stcharles@gmail.com
Society of Saint Vincent de Paul

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

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On this fourth Sunday of Lent the Gospel presents the powerful story of Jesus healing the man born blind. While physical sight is restored, the deeper miracle is the man's growing faith as he comes to recognize Jesus as Lord.

Lent invites us to examine our own vision. Are there places in our lives where we resist God's light? Through prayer, repentance and acts of charity, Christ opens our eyes so we may see with faith.

As we continue our Lenten journey, let us ask the Lord to heal our blindness and lead us more deeply into the light of his truth and love.

PARKING LOT

We would like to extend our sincere thanks to the young men who have generously volunteering their time to assist with parking at the church. Their help, kindness and dedication have been a great support to our parish community, and we are very grateful for their service.

We also thank our parishioners for their patience and cooperation in following their guidance. As we are approaching Holy Week our parking lot will become especially busy and may fill quickly. Please remember that the Columbus Centre has kindly offered their parking lot for overflow parking. After 6:00PM weekdays, Sundays and Good Friday parking there is free and available for our parishioners.

Your continued cooperation helps make this a welcoming and organized experience for everyone. Thank you for your understanding and support.

FEAST OF ST. JOSEPH

Please join us in celebrating the Feast of St. Joseph, Patron of Canada and of the Universal Church, Wednesday, March 18 7:00PM Mass in English with a special Blessing of all Fathers. Thursday, March 19 8:00AM(Italian) 9:00AM(English). We invite all parishioners to join us.

ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD

On Wednesday, March 25, we celebrate the Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord. We invite all parishioners to join us for Holy Mass at 7:00PM as we honor this great mystery of our faith. At this Mass, we will also unite with the Archdiocese in the Annual Consecration of the Faithful to the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church. Together, we will entrust ourselves, our families, our parish community, our schools and the whole world to the loving care and intercession of Mary.

REST IN PEACE

Please pray for the soul of Francesco Gagliardi whose funeral was celebrated during this past week in our Church.

LENTEN EVENTS IN THE PARISH

Stations of the Cross

In Italian every Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.

In English every Friday at 7:30 p.m.

6:30 p.m. Chaplet Precious Blood

7:00 p.m. Mass

Day of Confession

Friday, March 27

8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.

12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m.

6:00 p.m.-6:30 p.m.

Parish Tour and Sacred Vessel Presentation

Tuesday, March 31 at 7:00PM

SEDER MEAL

Our parish will once again gather for a special Seder Meal to learn more about the Passover meal Jesus shared with His disciples at the Last Supper. Join us on Thursday March 26 at 6:00PM for this meaningful evening as we explore the traditions of Passover and reflect on their connection to the Last Supper and the mystery of the Resurrection as we prepare for Holy Week. Dinner will include roasted lamb, roasted chicken, rapini, potatoes, salad and dessert. Cost \$45.00 per person. Tickets are available in the church office.

CWL

St Charles Borromeo Catholic Women's League will hold a General Meeting on Thursday, March 19, 2026, at 7:00 PM in the Parish Hall. New members are welcome.

PARISH CHURCH TOUR AND SACRED VESSELS PRESENTATION

Have you ever wondered about the meaning of the Altar, ambo, tabernacle, vestments and Sacred Vessels used at Mass? Join us on Tuesday, March 31 at 7:00PM for a special "behind the scenes of the Church" evening. Come and learn about the sacred spaces, items and symbols used in our Catholic liturgy.

This is a wonderful opportunity to grow in understanding of our Catholic Faith and to gain a deeper appreciation for the beauty and sacredness of our Church.

All are welcome. We hope you will join us for this enriching and informative evening.

GOOD FRIDAY SCHEDULE UPDATE

Please note the following changes to our Good Friday schedule. To better accommodate our parishioners, we have added an English Good Friday Service at **5:15PM**. Additionally the time for the Stations of the Cross has been changed from 7:00PM to **7:30PM**.

**AGGIORNAMENTO AL PROGRAMMA DEL
VENERDÌ SANTO**

Si prega di notare le seguenti modifiche al nostro programma del Venerdì Santo. Per venire incontro alle esigenze dei nostri parrocchiani, abbiamo aggiunto una funzione del Venerdì Santo in inglese alle 17:15. Inoltre, l'orario della Via Crucis è stato modificato dalle 19:00 alle 19:30.

PARCHEGGIO

Vogliamo esprimere i nostri più sinceri ringraziamenti ai giovani che hanno generosamente offerto il loro tempo per aiutare con il parcheggio in chiesa. Il loro aiuto, la loro gentilezza, e la loro dedizione sono stati di grande supporto alla nostra comunità parrocchiale e siamo molto grati per il loro servizio.

Ringraziamo inoltre i nostri parrocchiani per la pazienza e la collaborazione dimostrate nel seguire le loro indicazioni. Con l'avvicinarsi della Settimana Santa, il nostro parcheggio sarà particolarmente affollato e potrebbe riempirsi rapidamente. Vi ricordiamo che il Columbus Centre ha gentilmente messo a disposizione il suo parcheggio gratis, per accomodare il nostro sovraffollamento. Dopo le ore 18:00 (ore 6:00 pm) nei giorni feriali, la domenica e il Venerdì Santo, il parcheggio è gratuito e disponibile per i nostri parrocchiani.

La vostra continua collaborazione ci aiuta a rendere questa esperienza, accogliente e organizzata, per tutti. Grazie a tutti per la comprensione e il supporto.

FESTA DI SAN GIUSEPPE

Uniteci a noi per celebrare la Festa di San Giuseppe, Patrono del Canada e della Chiesa Universale, mercoledì 18 marzo, ore 19:00. Messa in inglese con una speciale Benedizione di tutti i Padri. Giovedì 19 marzo, ore 8:00 (italiano) e 9:00 (inglese). San Giuseppe, fedele sposo della Beata Vergine Maria e protettore della Sacra Famiglia, è un potente intercessore e modello di forza silenziosa, obbedienza e fiducia in Dio. Invitiamo tutti i parrocchiani a unirsi a noi per onorarlo e chiedere la sua continua protezione sulla nostra Chiesa, sul nostro Paese e sulle nostre case.

PASTO DEL SEDER

Quest'anno, in previsione della Settimana Santa, celebriamo il nostro pasto annuale del Seder giovedì 26 marzo alle 18:00 nella sala parrocchiale. Il Seder è un pasto in famiglia che celebra la Pasqua ebraica. Segue un antico rituale ebraico celebrato da Nostro Signore e dagli apostoli durante l'Ultima Cena. Attraverso il pasto del Seder, la nostra parrocchia celebrerà l'adempimento della promessa della Pasqua ebraica, la Resurrezione. Unitevi a noi per celebrare questa festa speciale. Tutti sono benvenuti. Portate familiari e amici. Condividete questa opportunità unica per approfondire la comprensione della nostra tradizione e delle origini della nostra Messa. Il costo è di \$45,00 a persona (agnello arrosto,

pollo arrosto, cime di rapa, patate, insalata e dessert). I biglietti sono disponibili presso l'ufficio parrocchiale. Non perdetevi tempo, i biglietti sono limitati.

**VISITA DELLA CHIESA PARROCCHIALE E
PRESENTAZIONE DEI VASI SACRI**

Vi siete mai chiesti il significato dell'altare, dell'ambone, del tabernacolo, dei paramenti e dei vasi sacri utilizzati durante la Messa? Unitevi a noi martedì 31 marzo alle 19:00 per una speciale serata "dietro le quinte della Chiesa". Venite a scoprire gli spazi sacri, gli oggetti e i simboli utilizzati nella nostra liturgia cattolica.

Questa è una meravigliosa opportunità per accrescere la comprensione della nostra fede cattolica e per apprezzare più profondamente la bellezza e la sacralità della nostra Chiesa. Tutti sono benvenuti. Ci auguriamo che vi uniate a noi per questa serata arricchente e istruttiva.

Masses of the Week

SATURDAY, MARCH 14

4:30PM Special Intentions for Cesare, For the Souls of Giuseppe & Maria Garisto, Domenico e Domenica Ierullo

SUNDAY, MARCH 15

8:00AM Defunti Iscritti Alle Messe Perpetue

9:30AM Pro Populo

11:00AM Ada Donato, Luciano Chiarot, Trieste e Francesco Pucci, Giovanna Perruzza, Filomena Arrichiello

12:30 PM Giuseppe e Vitina Sestito

MONDAY, MARCH 16

8:00AM Defunti Iscritti Alle Messe Perpetue

9:00AM Merlyn Santos

7:00PM Ida Imbesi

TUESDAY, MARCH 17

8:00AM Protection of the Unborn

9:00AM Anna Giambattista, Frank De Carlo

7:00PM Via Crucis

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18

8:00AM Salvatore Giancola

7:00PM Feast of St. Joseph

THURSDAY, MARCH 19

8:00AM Giuseppina & Armando Guido, Giuseppe Labricciosa

9:00AM Ippolito, Arcangela & Giuseppe Covelli, Magadalena Zecevic, Juan Infantes

FRIDAY, MARCH 20

8:00AM Antonio Lucchese

7:00PM Loreta & Raffaele Manni

7:30PM Stations of the Cross

SATURDAY, MARCH 22

4:30PM Bienvenido Gayatao Reyes, Ettore Siciliano

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