

# *St. Clare of Assisi Parish*

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

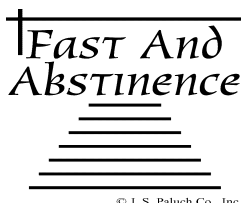
Sunday February 14, 2010

*"Blessed are you who are poor, for the kingdom of God is yours.  
Blessed are you who are now hungry, for you will be satisfied.*

*-Luke 6:20-21a*



## SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES FOR THIS WEEK...



**7:30PM MASS,  
FOLLOWED BY  
DISTRIBUTION  
OF ASHES**

WEDNESDAY



**MONDAY FEBRUARY 15<sup>TH</sup> FAMILY DAY - 7:30 am Mass only.**

**Please note that our office will also be closed for Family Day Holiday.**

**ASH WEDNESDAY** : Symbolism of the ashes - It's a day of penitence to clean the soul before the Lent fast. The marking of the forehead with a cross made of ashes reminds that: the mark of the cross made at baptism, that death comes to everyone, that we should be sad for our sins, that we must change ourselves for the better, that God made the first human being by breathing life into dust, and without God, human beings are nothing more than dust and ashes. **The ashes used on Ash Wednesday are made by burning the palm crosses that were blessed on the previous year's Palm Sunday.**

**THE BEATITUDES**: The beatitude we are promised confronts us with decisive moral choices. It invites us to purify our hearts of bad instincts and to seek the love of God above all else. It teaches us that true happiness is not found in riches or well-being, in human fame or power, or in any human achievement - however beneficial it may be - such as science, technology, and art, or indeed in any creature, but in God alone, the source of every good and of all love.

**"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.**

**Blessed are they who mourn, for they shall be comforted.**

**Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.**

**Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.**

**Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy.**

**Blessed are the pure of heart, for they shall see God.**

**Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of God.**

**Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."**

*- Gospel of St. Matthew 5:3-10*

**Congratulations to the following couple who were married**

Saturday February 13, 2010

*Jason Rigolli & Laura Boaretto*

We offer them our best wishes and ask God to bless them and grant them happiness, peace and joy, and strength in trials, all the days of their life together





Want to learn more about the Knights and the good works of unity charity fraternity and patriotism? Contact our Membership Director Ralph Greco at [ralph\\_greco1962@hotmail.com](mailto:ralph_greco1962@hotmail.com). Be a part of the Knight of Columbus St. Clare of Assisi experience, recognized as the best Council in Ontario for 2008-09.

**ACHS SUMMER CAMPS** - Once again the ACHS will be running its summer camp programs. Since 1981 we have offered a wide variety of exciting hockey, sports, wilderness and adventure camp programs for boys 7-13 years old. For more information or to register please call (905) 832-8121 or visit us on the web at [www.achscanada.com](http://www.achscanada.com)



**SUNDAY FEB 14TH - Lectio Divina.** All are welcome to join Archbishop Collins for Lectio Divina at St. Michael's Cathedral as he leads us in prayer and reflection on scriptural passage. This year's theme: The Parables of Jesus. 7:00 p.m. Evening Prayer, 7:30 p.m. - 8:14 p.m. As per usual, anyone wishing to carpool, is asked to meet in our parking lot at 6pm.

**COMMUNICATION SKILLS IN CATHOLIC COUPLES AND FAMILIES: A WORKSHOP PRESENTED BY CATHERINE BUFFA - HON. B.A, M.A CANDIDATE IN COUNSELLING AND SPIRITUALITY SAINT PAUL UNIVERSITY, OTTAWA, ON** [buffacatherine@gmail.com](mailto:buffacatherine@gmail.com)

***1. A Presentation Component:*** A presentation about the importance of communication within the Catholic family unit. A an explanation of a useful communication method and tool, which can aid in the facilitation of clear communication. An opportunity to learn more about the events and mindsets that prevent successful communication. ***2. A Practical Component:*** The chance to practice the skills learned in the first portion of the presentation with your family and/or spouse.

**DATE: Tuesday February 16, 2010 TIME: 8:00pm-9:30pm, after 7:30pm evening mass** **COST: Free of charge** EMAIL THE ABOVE ADDRESS TO RESERVE YOUR SPOT!

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Happy are those who know they need God. Happy too those who live faithfully the vocation of the life-commitment God calls them to, be it married, single, religious or priesthood. If God is calling you, contact Fr. Hansoo Park at (416) 968-0997 or email [vocations@vocations.ca](mailto:vocations@vocations.ca) or [www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca)

**PLEASE PRAY FOR PRIESTS:** Dear Lord, we pray that the Blessed Mother wrap her mantle around your priests and through her intercession strengthen them for their ministry. We pray that Mary will guide your priests to follow her own words, "Do whatever He tells you" (Jn 2:5). May your priests have the heart of St. Joseph, Mary's most chaste spouse. May the Blessed Mother's own pierced heart inspire them to embrace all who suffer at the foot of the cross. May your priests be holy, filled with the fire of your love seeking nothing but your greater glory and the salvation of souls. Amen. -Saint John Vianney, pray for us.