

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR April 28– May 6, 2018

### FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Saturday,	April 28	5:00 pm	For All St. John Bosco Parishioners
Sunday,	April 29	9:30 am	For + Venancia Chiu by the Bannuelos family
		11:30 am	For All deceased members of the Ilnicki fam. By the Hearn family
Tuesday,	May 1	9:00 am	St. Joseph the Worker For + Josh and + Bob Leslie by Doreen Allen
Wednesday,	May 2	9:00 am	St. Athanasius, Bishop For All Souls in Purgatory by Fannie
Thursday,	May 3	9:00 am	St. Philip and James, Apostles For Rev. Luc Lantagne SDB ( Birthday)
Friday,	May 4	7:00 pm	Community Mass Intentions

### SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Saturday,	May 5	5:00 pm	For Noel & Erna Salaysay (50th Wedding Anniversary)
Sunday,	May 6	9:30 am	For + Eugene Iwaschuk by the K.C's
		11:30 am	First Communion Celebration For All St. John Bosco Parishioners

### WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK :

Thursday,	May 3	REHEARSAL FOR FIRST COMMUNION (For those celebrating on May 6)
Sunday,	May 6	PANCAKE BREAKFAST Sponsored by our Knights of Columbus



**TOGETHER WE SERVE:** A reminder that next Sunday we will be taking up a second collection for "Together We Serve"

**CONGRATULATIONS** To Erna and Noel Salaysay who are celebrating 50 years of marriage. Noel and Erna have been parishioners since our parish was first started. Erna has been a Eucharistic Minister and Noel a reader and in the music ministry since day 1. Also their daughter was in the music ministry in the group the Marianas for many years. We wish them many more years of health and happiness.



Our Condolences and the Assurance of our prayers are offered to Greg Gelasco and family after the death of Greg's sister Christine Gelasco. And also to Mary-Lou Gloria and family after the death of her mother Encarnacion Gloria last week. May they rest in peace.



### PARKING NEXT DOOR

#### @ CLAREGREEN SQUARE TOWNHOUSE

We have received a letter from the Condominium Board members of the Claregreen Square Townhouse asking us to bring to our parishioners attention a couple of situations that are jeopardizing their safety. **Please DO NOT PARK within the NO PARKING areas. They are going to start calling Bylaw to have the cars towed by the Edmonton Police Service as that vehicle was left illegally and is contributing to a hazardous situation.**

There is ample parking available further south on 40th street south of 134 Ave. The same is true for our own parking lot. **PLEASE do not park between the No Parking signs and please respect the reserved signs for Father Raja, Deacon Jose and the pastoral assistants parking. Mia comes in several nights a week and also during the day on week-ends. Many times her spot has been taken.** You may not double park or block the entrance to the parking lot. Doing so may result in your vehicle being towed. Please park a little further away (even at Walmart). The little walk is good for us and keeps everyone safe.

### SHALOM RETREAT

*"Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest" (Matt. 11:28)*  
**June 22,23,24 @ St. Theresa parish 7508-29 Ave Edmonton.** For registration information please refer to poster in main foyer.

**Faith, Fitness & Fun:** Fun Run/Walk on Saturday, May 26, and help support the operations of St. Joseph Seminary and Newman Theological College. Enter as an individual or team for a 10K run, 5K run or 3K walk through the scenic grounds of the Catholic Campus and the North Saskatchewan River Valley. Chip-timed. We meet on the grounds of Newman Theological College, 10012 - 84 Street. Register for this family-oriented event via [www.events.runningroom.com/site/?raceId=14983](http://www.events.runningroom.com/site/?raceId=14983). For pledge forms and more info, visit <https://caedm.ca/funrun> or call Maria Baca at 780-469-1010.

### Grace with lines inspired by this weeks readings.

**Leader:** Lord Jesus, we thank you for your Word. You call us to enter into relationship with you so that we are able to be of service to our brothers and sisters. (Jn. 15:4-5)

**All:** Lord Jesus, may you allow us to see your face in our brothers and sisters in need.

**Together:** "Bless us, O Lord, and these Thy gifts, which we are about to receive from Thy bounty. Through Christ our Lord. Amen"

**After the meal:** "We give you thanks, Almighty God, for all your gifts, who live and reign now and forever. Amen"



**K.C. GARAGE SALE:** Starting April 23 we are collecting for the Garage Sale. If you have items to donate that you need to have picked up please call/text Francis @ 780-991-8776 or call/text Martin 587-989-0444. Collections will be available until May 23 .

**Courage in the present moment**

From the certainty that God's grace is with us comes the strength to take courage in the present moment: the courage to carry forward what God asks of us here and now, in every area of our lives; courage to embrace the vocation which God reveals to us; courage to live out our faith without hiding or diminishing it.

Yes, when we open ourselves to God's grace, the impossible becomes a reality. "If God is for us, who can be against us?" (Rom 8:31). God's grace touches the "now" of your lives, "takes hold" of you as you are, with all your fears and limits, but it also reveals his marvelous plans! You young people need to know that someone truly believes in you: please know that the Pope has confidence in you, that the Church has confidence in you! For your part, have confidence in the Church!

The young Mary was entrusted an important task, precisely because she was young. You young people have strength as you go through a phase of your lives where energy is not lacking. Make use of this strength and this energy to improve the world, beginning with the realities closest to you. I want important responsibilities to be given to you within the Church; that there may be the courage to make space for you; and that you may be prepared to take on these responsibilities.

I invite you once again to contemplate Mary's love: a caring, dynamic and concrete love. A love full of boldness and focused completely on the gift of self. A Church permeated by these Marian qualities will always be a Church going forth, one that goes beyond her own limits and boundaries to let the grace she has received overflow. If we allow ourselves to be truly touched by Mary's example, we will live out authentically that charity which urges us to love God above all else and above ourselves, to love those with whom we share our daily life. And we will also love those who may seem hardly lovable in themselves. It is a love that is service and dedication, above all towards the weakest and poorest, love that transforms our faces and fills us with joy.

I would like to end with the beautiful words Saint Bernard used in a famous homily on the mystery of the Annunciation, words that express the anticipation of all humanity for Mary's response: "You have heard, O Virgin that you will conceive and bear a son; you have heard that it will not be by man but by the Holy Spirit. The angel awaits an answer... We too, O Lady, are waiting for your word of compassion... In your brief response we are to be remade in order to be recalled to life... This is what the whole earth waits for, prostrate at your feet... Answer quickly, O Virgin" (Sermon 4, 8-9; Opera Omnia).

*Dear young people, the Lord, the Church, the world are waiting for your answer to the unique call that each one receives in this life! As World Youth Day in Panama draws closer, I invite you to prepare yourselves for our gathering with the joy and enthusiasm of those who wish to participate in such a great adventure. WYD is for the courageous! Not for young people who are searching only for comfort and who withdraw whenever difficulties arise. Do you accept the challenge?*



# Fifth Sunday of Easter

## April 28/29, 2018

### ST. JOHN BOSCO PARISH

13503-40 Street, Edmonton

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### Last Sunday's Collection

\$ 4768.00

Together we Serve \$20.00

Children's collection \$ 93.00

Thank you for your donations!!

### Parish Priest: Rev. Raja SDB

Deacon Jose Huezo

Mia Turlock

Theresa Wile

Pastoral Assistant

Pastoral Assistant

### PRAYER CORNER:

Elizabeth Dziegielewski, Mildred Ray

Priscilla Lajeunesse, Josie Mitchell,

Rose Auburn, Theresa Grondin

**S.V.D.P. news!** St. Vincent de Paul All Saints Paul Conference is a Catholic lay organization that assists the poor with food, housewares, furniture, and clothing in Northeast Edmonton. Our mission is to live the Gospel message by serving Christ in the poor with love, respect, justice and joy. SSVP thanks all parishioners for their support in 2017. In 2017 our volunteers accumulated 6194 volunteer hours, responded to 813 phone calls, visited 182 homes, prepared 80 food hampers and delivered housewares and furniture to 192 families. Please continue to pray and support us in 2018 through donations of food and gently used housewares and furniture. If you have gently used furniture or housewares to donate, please email [ssvpdonations@gmail.com](mailto:ssvpdonations@gmail.com). Also your financial support assists us to buy items in short supply such as towels, food, beds, pillows, can openers, pots and pans. Our next meeting is **Wednesday May 2 at St John Bosco Hall at 7 pm.**

**New members are welcome.** If you wish to volunteer or have questions, please contact Marlene by email at [pres.all Saints@gmail.com](mailto:pres.all Saints@gmail.com) or 780-478-8325

**REFLECTIONS ON THE GOSPEL:** Pruning is painful but necessary in our lives as well as in vineyards. However, when we remain connected to the vine, we do not have to do our pruning alone. Pruning is hard work, but it is possible and even can be comfortable in the context of community and through the grace of God's goodness. Daily we must make a choice to be connected to God. When we remain connected to our sources, we can bear a seemingly infinite amount of fruit.

Spring is a time of growth and new life. Take a walk as a family and observe the new growth all around you outside. You might look and find some trees already need some pruning. As a family, work at home or volunteer to do yard work at the parish or for an elderly neighbor. Maybe someone needs help doing some planting.

Spend time in soil and appreciate the gifts of spring and the fruit all around you.