

## FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

### MASS INTENTIONS

**MONDAY, 15 MAY**

**9:10 AM FR. CHARLES ANANG**  
Requested by St. Justin Parishioners

**TUESDAY, 16 MAY**

**9:10 AM +THE O'CONNOR FAMILY**  
Requested by Mary De Dominicis

**WEDNESDAY, 17 MAY**

**7:00 PM +GILDO SAGGESE**  
Requested by Nicoletta Nardi  
**+FLORENCE BURNS**  
Requested by Michelle Tidball  
**+FRANCIS FERNANDO**  
Requested by Maureen Fernando  
**+WILLIAM HODSON**  
Requested by Noreen and John McKenna  
**ROBERT LAM TZE TING**  
Requested by the Ah-Chong Family

**THURSDAY, 18 MAY**

**9:10 AM +SAU-CHUN FUNG**  
Requested by Alice Wong

**FRIDAY, 19 MAY**

**9:10 AM +BERNADETTE COLACO**  
Requested by Santana Colaco

**SATURDAY, 20 MAY**

**9:10 AM +MARIANO SARMIENTO**  
Requested by Marissa Sarmiento-Joseph  
**+NOREEN SALAK**  
Requested by Frank and Freda Spain  
**+HOLY SOULS IN PURGATORY**  
Requested by a Parishioner  
**+FLORA SEQUERAH**  
Requested by Kalene Fernandez  
**SUE DEWHURST**  
Requested by Jennifer Bruce

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**THE SANCTUARY LAMP  
IS OFFERED FOR THE REPOSE OF SOUL OF  
SAU CHING WONG**

for the week of 14 May 2017  
as requested by the Ton Family



**Canadian Hearts and Hands: A Mission  
Without Borders - Item Drive:** The  
following items are needed and will be  
gratefully accepted from **1-31 May 2017**:

Children's crocs (ages 5 and up);  
Shoes/dress shoes (no boots, please); Lined paper;  
Child/Youth-sized leggings; Baby formula; Over the  
Counter Medications; Socks; First Aid supplies.  
Thank you for your generosity!!!!



If you, or anyone you know who lives in our neighborhood and would like to become a Catholic, please call Fr. Joe for an appointment. Our **RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)** program will begin in mid-September 2017.

#### HOMEcomings - May 2017

We all have loved ones who have left the Catholic Church. They are our children. Our grandchildren. Siblings and other relatives. Friends, neighbours and coworkers. Our hearts break for them as they brave the wilderness of life, outside the hearth and home of the Catholic Church. How do we bring them home? And why did they leave in the first place?

Understanding the answer your loved one gives to that last question is just as important as the first—if we don't grasp the real reasons people leave the Church, we'll never be effective in our attempts to help them home.

This is the subject of "Homecoming: How to Bring Family and Friends Home to the Catholic Church" a two-part talk series by Cale Clarke here at St Justin's Parish on **Wednesdays 17 May and 24 May at 7:30PM** (following the 7 PM Mass). Hope to see you there!



#### RECOLLECTION FOR MEN, SATURDAY 20 MAY 10AM-12PM:

Calling all men for this incredible faith-building morning that has been called "a mini-retreat with maximum impact." Led by Fr. Cris Graas. We will meet in the church.



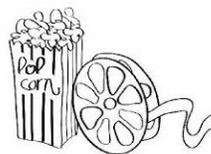
#### UNIONVILLE FESTIVAL DUCK RACE - SATURDAY 3 JUNE:

Organized by the Knights of Columbus of our parish, the annual "Duck" race is held at the festival on Main Street. Tickets are on sale after all Masses on the weekends of **20/21 and 27/28 May**. Thank you

for your support.

#### JAMS, JELLIES, PRESERVES, AND PIES:

If you enjoy making jams, jellies, preserves, pies or perhaps Christmas crafts, etc., we would like to invite you to join our Crafts Group. Please contact Linda Moynagh through the parish office.



#### FREE MOVIE NIGHT - Presented

by the Knights of Columbus, our next Free Movie Night in the church hall will be on **Saturday 27 May** at 6:30pm. We will be showing "Lion". Hot dogs, drinks, chips, popcorn will be served. Bring the whole family and enjoy!

**QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS**

By Cale Clarke

**What is the significance of the book of Ruth?**

The events set down in Ruth occur during the period of the Judges in Israel (Ruth 1:1). If you have read the book of Judges, which chronicles that period, you are well aware with just how unfaithful and corrupt the people of Israel had become at that time. Judges is truly a depressing book in many ways, what with its tales of violence, murder, and moral depravity. If one did not have a strong belief in the sovereignty and power of God, one would be very discouraged indeed after reading it.

The book of Ruth, which follows directly after Judges in the Old Testament canon (the list of books), provides us with “a breath of fresh air”, so to speak; a veritable oasis in the desert, as it were. Here, amidst so much unfaithfulness in Israel at that time, is the story of a woman of remarkable faith. Ruth is in so many ways like Abraham, for she showed remarkable faith in the God of Israel. She too left her country, family, and kin, and entrusted her very uncertain future to the Lord.

Like Abraham, Ruth is a Gentile at the time of her “call” to go to Israel. She is a Moabite woman, a member of a people that had traditionally been enemies of Israel.

**How does Ruth figure into the life of Jesus Christ?**

I don't want to “give away the ending” of the book of Ruth, but I'm sure most are aware of what I'm about to say anyhow. Ruth eventually marries an Israelite named Boaz, and becomes the great-grandmother of King David, and thus becomes an ancestor of Jesus Christ, according to his human nature (Matthew 1:5).

The fact that Ruth is a Gentile also prefigures the acceptance of the Gentiles into the new Israel, the Church, in the New Testament period. She stands in a long line of faithful women throughout salvation history, culminating in Mary. Here is how the Catechism of the Catholic Church describes it:

“Throughout the Old Covenant the mission of many holy women prepared for that of Mary. At the very beginning there was Eve; despite her disobedience, she receives the promise of a posterity that will be victorious over the evil one, as well as the promise that she will be the mother of all the living. By virtue of this promise, Sarah conceives a son in spite of her old age. Against all human expectation God chooses those who were considered powerless and weak to show forth his faithfulness to his promises: Hannah, the mother of Samuel; Deborah; Ruth; Judith and Esther; and many other women. Mary ‘stands out among the poor and humble of the Lord, who confidently hope for and receive salvation from him. After a long period of waiting the times are fulfilled in her, the exalted Daughter of Sion, and the new plan of salvation is established’” (CCC 489).

For much more on the Book of Ruth, please join us for our new Bible Study on Ruth on Thursdays at 2:30pm or 7:30pm in our parish hall.

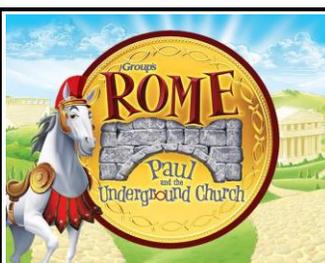


**PARISH FINANCIAL UPDATE**  
As of 7 May 2017

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>
General Fund (Last week)	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,037
General Fund (Year-To-Date)	\$ 310,000	\$ 265,761
HOPE Fund (April)	\$ 10,000	\$ 9,327
HOPE Fund (Year-To-Date)	\$ 40,000	\$ 32,442
Debt Outstanding as of 1 January 2017		\$ 459,036



Many thanks to all parishioners who generously donated to ShareLife. We have collected thus far **\$74,418.90**. The campaign goal for our parish this year is **\$155,300**. Our next ShareLife collection will be on the weekend of **3/4 June**. You may wish to give through the parish office or online at [www.sharelife.org](http://www.sharelife.org), or place your donation in any Sunday basket before the end of July, the closing of the ShareLife Appeal.



**2017 SUMMER KIDS' CAMP**  
**Rome – Paul and the Underground Church**  
**10-14 July**  
**Monday to Friday**  
**10am to 1pm**  
**For children ages 5-9**  
**Cost \$60 each**

Registration has already begun. Forms are available in the parish office. Hurry! Spaces are limited.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THE CAMP:** High school students or adults are needed as group leaders. Please leave your name and contact info in the parish office or email [youth@stjustin.com](mailto:youth@stjustin.com). Parents of children attending the camp are welcome to help out also.



**CATECHESIS OF GOOD SHEPHERD**  
For the families of Catechesis of Good Shepherd, a year-end Mass with Fr. Derek is planned for **30 May at 6 PM** in the church, followed by potluck dinner in the hall. Bring a salad or meat dish. The parish will provide dessert.

**We wish all mothers a very blessed Mother's Day !**

