



THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Saturday, April 26th	Sixth Sunday of Easter
5:00 p.m. mass:	†Tillie Ikiw / Yacyshen Family
Sunday, April 27th	Sixth Sunday of Easter
9:00 a.m. mass:	For all parishioners, living and deceased
11:00 a.m. mass:	†Guy Joulin / Bill Panko †Caleb Paget / Andre
Monday, April 28th	Ferial / Saint Peter Chanel / Saint Louis-Marie Grignon de Montfort
9:00 a.m. mass:	†Margaret Nagel / Friends of Suffering Souls
10:30 a.m. mass:	Southwood Care Centre: For all residents
Tuesday, April 29th	Memorial of Saint Catherine of Siena
9:00 a.m. mass:	†Raymond and †Yvette Paget / Andre Paget
Wednesday, April 30th	Ferial / Saint Pius V / Blessed Marie de l'Incarnation
7:00 a.m. mass:	†Gary Norman / Peter and Madeleine
9:00 a.m. mass:	†Terrence Ratnayake / Cynthia †Jack Beckett / Kathleen and Family †Eva Nebrida Valoria / George Fournier
6:30 p.m.:	Prayers for the Sick
Thursday, May 1st	Ferial / Saint Joseph, the Worker / International Workers' Day
7:00 a.m. mass:	†Marie Yedersberger / Christine and Antel
9:00 a.m. mass:	Billy Offidani / Serhan
Friday, May 2nd	Memorial of Saint Athanasius / First Friday
7:00 a.m. mass:	†Rita Shiach / Christine and Antel
9:00 a.m. mass:	†Thea Block / Erika and Louis
7:00 p.m. mass:	Ian Obligacion and Youth Group / Family †John Dias / Jeannie and Salus
Saturday, May 3rd	Feast of Saint Philip and Saint James
9:00 p.m. mass:	†Marcel Savoie / Peter and Madeleine
Saturday, May 3rd	Seventh Sunday of Easter
5:00 p.m. mass:	†Fred Dauk / Family †Dominic Murzello / Family
Sunday, May 4th	Seventh Sunday of Easter
9:00 a.m. mass:	†Edward Zdanowicz / Eleanor and Family
11:00 a.m. mass:	For all parishioners, living and

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

First Holy Communion will be held next Sunday, May 4th,
2008 at the 11:00 a.m. Mass.



World Earth Day

"All things came into being through Him, and without Him not one thing came into being..." (John 1:3)

April 22nd every year is marked as World Earth Day. The verse above tells us that it is God who has brought into existence everything, including our planet Earth and the zillions of life forms it holds. On reading this verse, we recognize the wonderful gift of nature which God has given us. However, in our society today, we have become separated from the reality of our natural existence. Ours is a fast paced world where our meat and veggies come in plastic wrapped trays, our tomatoes and fruits come in cans. Our cities have become jungles of concrete and steel. In all of this, we tend to forget that we are the caretakers of God's divine property. We humans have, in our greed and selfishness, destroyed nature. Today in the world there are people suffering and even dying due to starvation, pollution and other environmental hazards. As we go about our daily lives, giving importance to our faith life, we are reminded by God that we have a duty towards our environment as well. Simple acts such as using energy-efficient light bulbs, taking a bus, or walk, instead of driving, draw us one step closer to preserving nature.

As we praise our God for the marvelous gift of nature, we need to do our bit to ensure that His mighty work of creation is not depleted due to our greed or ignorance. Let us take care of our world today so that your children and grandchildren may have a chance to live in the splendor of God's creation.

A child whispered, "God, speak to me,"
And a meadowlark sang. The child did not hear.
So the child yelled, "God, speak to me!"
And the thunder rolled across the sky,
but the child did not listen.
The child looked around and said, "God, let me see you,"
and a star shone brightly.
But the child did not notice.
And the child shouted, "God, show me a miracle!"
And a life was born, but the child did not know.
So the child cried out in despair,
"Touch me, God, and let me know you are here!"
Whereupon God reached down
And touched the child.
But the child brushed the butterfly away
And walked away unknowingly.

Are we as ignorant as this child? Let's each one of us love and care for our Mother Earth and recognize God's presence in Her.

Father Patrick Furtado, SAC

