

## SANTA MARIA GORETTI PARISH

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**Mass Schedule:** Tuesday to Friday in Italian - 7:00 p.m.

**Weekend:** Saturday 5:00 p.m. (*Italian*); Sunday: 8:30 a.m. (*Italian*), 10:00 a.m. (*English*), 11:30 a.m. (*Italian*).

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Saturdays at 4:30 p.m. before Mass or by appointment

**Adoration:** Every Friday at 6.00 p.m. **Rosary every evening: 6:20 p.m.**

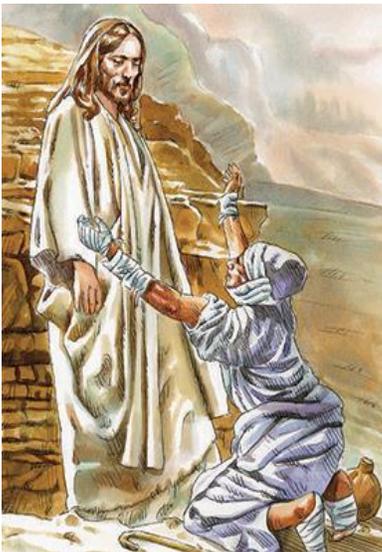
**Baptism:** Saturday 5:00 p.m. (*Italian*); Sunday: 8:30 a.m. (*Italian*), 10:00 a.m. (*English*), 11:30 a.m. (*Italian*).

**Marriage:** Contact the Priest at least 6 months prior to the Wedding. (A Catholic Marriage Preparation Course is mandatory).

**Mezz'ora Con Voi (Italian Radio Program):** Sunday at: 9:00 a.m. on 101.7 FM **Web Site:** [www.smgoretti.org](http://www.smgoretti.org)

**11 FEBRUARY, 2018**

### UN LEBBROSO A GESÙ: SE VUOI PUOI PURIFICARMI!/B



FORSE potrebbe sorprendere ritrovare, in un testo antico come il Levitico oggi proposto dalla liturgia (I Lettura), temi vicini a noi quale può essere quello della emarginazione sociale. Il lebbroso, che la tradizione d'Israele considera alla stregua di un morto, di un cadavere ambulante, era obbligato dalla legge, durante tutto il tempo della sua malattia (che quasi durava fino alla morte) a non accedere ai villaggi, a vestire in un certo modo, a coprirsi la barba, a gridare alla vista di un'altra persona: **Immondo! Immondo!** al fine di farsi evitare. Gesù, invece, incarnando una logica "accogliente" e davvero "inclusiva", supera le norme esistenti rispetto agli emarginati, tocca il lebbroso, lo guarisce e lo reintegra nella vita civile (Vangelo).

Ai Corinti, san Paolo, seguendo Gesù, rivolge anch'egli una parola che ha per fine quello di rimuovere ogni esclusione ed emarginazione, esortando chi lo ascolta a eliminare tutto quanto porta alla divisione tra le persone, avendo cura di non scandalizzare nessuno e di farsi tutto a tutti per la gloria di Dio (II Lettura). Guido Colombo

### **6th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME/B**

The leper in today's Gospel violated the religious rules laid out in the Book of Leviticus: he broke the Law by approaching a clean man. Even then, Jesus did not send the leper away. Rather, Our Lord was so moved with pity that He touched the leper (*yet another religious violation*). Jesus also insisted that the man present himself to the priests, as an example of his obedience to the law and recognizing this as a helpful, necessary step in order for the man to be fully reintegrated into the community.

The lesson is: **we must constantly opt to serve our brothers and sisters in need.** Also, we must respect laws that are truly designed to serve the common good. Sometimes social and economic problems seem too big and complex for us to handle. **Often-times, it is just plain easier to settle for inaction.** But Jesus shows us the best response: **"I do choose. Be made clean."** I wonder if in this story leprosy is really meant to be a metaphor of brokenness. Can we recognize that we, as well as our society, suffer from various sorts of brokenness? Might we also need to kneel before Jesus requesting the deepest healing for which humanity yearns? Is today a new opportunity for each of us to choose to accept Jesus' challenge to fully love our neighbour? Joe Gunn

## INTENZIONI DELLE SANTE MESSE MASS INTENTIONS

### SATURDAY/ SABATO, 10 febbraio

#### 5:00 p.m. (Italian)

- ✠ Germano Franceschi (1 mese) dalla moglie Anna e figli
- ✠ Alessandro Mauro Sarno dai genitori
- ✠ Filomena Di Meo dai nipoti
- ✠ Battista Caputo dalla moglie Pasqualina, figli, Carmine, Mirella e Carlo, le famiglie e nipoti

### SUNDAY/ DOMENICA, 11 febbraio

#### 8:30 a.m. (Italian)

*(No Mass Intentions)*

#### 10:00 a.m. (English)

- ✠ Nicola Lucente dalla moglie Anna e famiglia
- ✠ Giovanni Delcioppo dalla moglie e figli
- ✠ Giovanni Corazza dalla moglie Ada e famiglia
- ✠ Giuseppe e Iolanda Casciaro dai figli
- ✠ Resi e Primo Del Piccolo from their son and daughter
- ✠ Tutti i defunti della famiglia Mazzotta
- ✠ Guerino DiMarcello dalla moglie e famiglia
- ✠ Giuseppe Verduci (30 anni) dalla sua famiglia

#### 11:30 a.m. (Italian)

- ✠ Vitalia Marino dai figli
- ✠ Emma Anselmo dalla nipote Josephine Carpino e famiglia
- ✠ Eva Predy (Filice) dai genitori
- ✠ Vincenzo Tripodi dalla moglie Angela e famiglia
- ✠ Giuseppina Manna (3 anni) dalle figlie Carmela, Lucia e famiglie
- ✠ Giuseppe Corazza dalla moglie e famiglia
- ✠ Nicola Cristello dalla moglie Antonietta e famiglia
- ✠ Tutti i defunti di Antonietta Cristello e famiglia
- ✠ Antonio e Anna Andreana dai figli Domenico e Carmela Andreana e famiglia
- ✠ Valeverde e Giovannina Sansano dai figli Carmela e Domenico Andreana e famiglia
- ✠ Battista Caputo dalla moglie Pasqualina, figli, Carmine, Mirella e Carlo, le famiglie e nipoti

*(No Mass Intentions from Tuesday-Thursday)*

### Friday/venerdi, 16 febbraio

*(Via Crucis @ 7:40 p.m.)*



**Riposa in Pace**  
**Rest in Peace**

## GRACE THIS WEEK

**Leader:** Lord Jesus, we thank you for your Word. You encourage us to ask for what we need and to trust in you. (*Mark 1:40*)

**All:** Lord Jesus, we thank you for healing us.

A way to experience Scripture with every meal ... new prayers and lines are posted each week at:

[www.caedm.ca/grace](http://www.caedm.ca/grace)

## PARISH NEWS

**Today, February 11,** the Church observes World Day of the Sick, when we pray in a special way for all those who are sick and suffering, for their families and caregivers, and for all who serve in the healing ministries, following the great example of Christ.

**Pope Francis** offers this prayer:

*To Mary, Mother of tender love, we wish to entrust all those who are ill in body, and soul, that she may sustain them in hope. We ask her also to help us to be welcoming to our sick brothers and sisters. May the virgin Mary intercede for this 26th World day of the Sick; may she help the sick to experience their suffering in communion with the Lord Jesus; and may she support all those who care for them.*

**Oggi, 11 Febbraio,** la Chiesa osserva la Giornata Mondiale del Malato. Preghiamo in modo speciale per tutti coloro che soffrono, per i loro famigliari, i volontari e per chi presta servizio nell'amministrazione delle cure, seguendo il grande esempio di Cristo.

**Papa Francesco** ci offre questa preghiera:

*A Maria, Madre della tenerezza, vogliamo affidare tutti i malati nel corpo e nello spirito, perché li sostenga nella speranza. A lei chiediamo pure di aiutarci ad essere accoglienti verso le sorelle e i fratelli infermi. La Vergine Maria interceda per*

questa XXVI Giornata Mondiale del Malato; aiuti le persone ammalate a vivere la propria sofferenza in comunione con il Signore Gesù, e sostenga coloro che di essi si prendono cura.

## ASH WEDNESDAY CELEBRATIONS

Please join us for Ash Wednesday and celebrate the start of our 40-day journey of Lent. Here is a prayer for Ash Wednesday. We have two masses available.  
Wednesday, February 14<sup>th</sup> @ 1:45 p.m.  
Wednesday, February 14<sup>th</sup> @ 7 p.m.

### Prayer for Ash Wednesday

*In this Time*

*O God of mercy,*

*who is slow to anger and rich in kindness,  
grant us, as we begin our Lenten journey,  
contrite hearts that long for reconciliation  
and steadfast spirits that proclaim your love.*

*In this acceptable time,*

*soften our calloused hearts,*

*watch over us and keep us from all sin.*

*In this season of repentance,*

*help us turn toward the light of your Son, Jesus  
Christ,*

*and away from selfish ambition.*

*In this period of renewal,*

*open our ears to hear your voice,*

*which calls us out of darkness,*

*so that with clean hearts we can forever  
proclaim your praise.*

*Through Christ our Lord. Amen*

### Questo mercoledì é la messa delle ceneri.

Abbiamo due messe quello giorno: **Mercoledì, 14 febbraio alle 1:45 p.m. e alle 7:00 p.m.**

## FAMILY LIFE AND FAITH SHARING SESSION

**TWO: Sunday, Feb. 25<sup>th</sup> @ 9:30 a.m. PARISH CLUB ROOM @ SMG Center.**

A sincere thank you to all the parents who attended our 10-minute faith sharing session. Sharing our faith was truly engaging.

## VIA CRUCIS/STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Friday during Lent, there will be the **Stations of the Cross** at 7:40 p.m. after mass.

All are welcome. Invitiamo tutti:

Durante la Quaresima, ogni venerdì, ci sarà Via Crucis dopo la santa messa alle ore 7:40 p.m.

## BAPTISM OF THE WEEK:



**Alessandra Kolundzija**

## SMG COMMUNICATION PROJECT

Our parish would like to start a project with our Youth Group to collect emails from members of our parish. Those who want to receive news, events, schedules and special celebration information, please join our project.

<https://goo.gl/forms/nmihSzVAHd0sIYek2>

Staying connected through e-mail will allow the Parish office to keep you informed with upcoming events. Thank you for your effort.

## TAX RECEIPTS ARE READY

ENVELOPES WITH INCOME TAX RECEIPTS ARE READY FOR PICK UP. THEY ARE ORGANIZED IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER. (Tax receipts from church contributions and CFIC donations are in the same envelope).

Thank you for your generosity.

LE RICEVUTE PER LE DONAZIONE SONO PRONTE, (quelle della parrocchia e quelle dei Figli dell'Immacolata Concezioni e dentro la stessa busta).

Grazie per la vostra generosità.

## PARISH CALENDAR: UPCOMING EVENTS

**February 11, 2018:**

**World Day of the Sick**

**February 14, 2018:**

**Ash Wednesday Mass @ 7 p.m.**

**Messa delle ceneri. Messa alle ore 7.**

**February 20, 2018: Day of Confession: (Archdiocese of Edmonton) 9:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.**

**Confessioni nella nostra parrocchia.**

**Alle ore 9:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.**

## PARISH COMMUNITY NEWS

Advertising in the back of the bulletin: Please inform the office if you would like to renew your ad for the 2018 year. There is a waiting list for interested people.

A tutti gli inserzionisti: siete pregati di comunicare in ufficio il rinnovo dell'annuncio per l'anno 2018 o la disdetta. Abbiamo una lista di interessati in attesa.

### Workshop on Healing Spiritually:

Richard Groves and his wife Mary had travelled the world teaching people how to alleviate the spiritual pain from all types of trauma – job loss, loss of a friendship, illness, life transitions, and death of a loved one. Then, nine years ago, when Mary died, Richard Groves had to use those skills to heal himself. Groves, an international speaker, author and co-founder of the non-profit Sacred Art of Living and Dying Institute in Oregon, will be sharing those skills in a new series of workshops called Healing the Healers, starting in April at Providence Renewal Centre @ 3005-119 Street NW.

Richard Groves e sua moglie Mary hanno girato il mondo insegnando alle persone come alleviare il dolore spirituale di qualsiasi trauma: la perdita del lavoro, la perdita di un'amicizia, la malattia, le transizioni della vita, la scomparsa di una persona cara. Nove anni fa, quando Mary morì, Richard Groves dovette usare le stesse tecniche per curare se stesso. Groves, oratore internazionale, autore e cofondatore della Sacred Art of Living and Dying Institute nell'Oregon, condividerà queste capacità in una nuova serie di seminari dal titolo Guarire il Guaritore, dal prossimo mese di Aprile al Providence Renewal Centre @ 3005-119 St.



COMMUNICATION FROM OUR YOUTH GROUP.

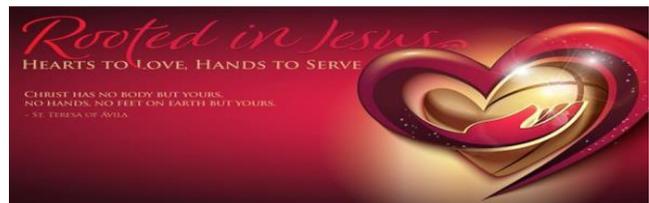


Our Youth Group:  
FAITH IN ACTION



Eight of us at the Mustard Seed last Saturday. In under 5 hours, we cooked for and served dinner to over 300 people, socialized with them, and cleaned up! We also assembled boxes of food that were delivered to a housing unit close by. We are grateful for the community we are blessed with, and we look forward to helping those who are less fortunate than us in the McCauley-Boyle areas again in the future. Please check out our Facebook page: ***Santa Maria Goretti Youth Group*** for more photos."

## EDMONTON CATHOLIC SCHOOLS



### Cardinal Leger Junior High School Open House

All are welcome to attend our Open House Monday February 12 @ 7:00 p.m.  
8808-144 Avenue.

### Carnevale at St. Philip School

February 13, 2018- 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. All are welcome to celebrate Shrove Tuesday with us Italian style.

## SANTA MARIA GORETTI CENTRE NEWS

Oh, how our cheeks were a rosy red color these past many days! It was indeed a cold stretch. But we welcome the weekend with better temperatures. Boy, -6 C feels warm! As February rolls into mid-month we are busy doing a pre-spring cleaning. Even with a building as large as ours, it is amazing how things begin to accumulate and suddenly you have clutter. It's a nice reminder, as we sort out things for removal, that it helps us to unburden as

we let go of items no longer in use. Our society loves materialism. But this little uncluttering that we did reminded me of what's really important. Our surroundings are created by the positive energy and goodwill of people. It brings us closer to matters of the heart and the soul. That's far more important than what we materially own.

Speaking of matters of the heart, Valentine's Day is upon us in just a few days. This date goes far back to early Christian days where St. Valentine was added to the calendar of saints. It's a nice moment of expression of love, not only romantic love, but love in acts of kindness, generosity and self-sacrifice. Love is life's greatest blessing.

Your Centre presents our Valentine's Day Dinner this Wednesday. Please contact us at 780-426-5026 for more information. Please have a blessed and safe week everyone!

**Sunday: Chef Patrick's Pranzo**

**Sunday, February 11, 2018**

**Antipasto...FunghiFritti...PenneMarinara  
Insalata...Cotoletta Di Pollo con salsa ai  
funghi...RoastVegetables... Mashed Potatoes  
Chef's Choice Dessert...Coffee and Tea.**



**Knights of Columbus**  
**Santa Maria Goretti Council**

Our beloved His Holiness Pope Francis has called upon all of us to be "missionary disciples" (cf. *Evangelii Gaudium*, 119). He wants us to proclaim the Gospel by our generosity and concern for the needs of those around us. Your Knights subscribe to the vision of the Holy Father and we seek to embody our Catholic faith. Included in that is to shine the light upon hatred and violence. And we stand strong for the value of human life and dignity. And, as husbands and fathers, we support our Church's efforts to build strong Catholic families. It is part of our vocation to keep our family (and by extension, our parish family) strong. Our parents and grandparents, guided by their faith and family, fostered an environment that allowed us to grow.

We must continue to nurture this for the benefit of our families and our community. We, moms and dads, are the best models and guides for our children as we show devotion to faith, family and community. Your Knights welcome our parish brothers to join us in fraternity and charity. Please call Tony at (780) 297-4479 if you have any questions. May you all have a safe and happy weekend. And a Happy Valentine's Day...love to all!

**BUON COMPLEANNO PADRE GEORGE**

**Oggi é il compleanno del nostro caro Padre George!** Ci stringiamo a torno a te in un grande abbraccio comunitario con tanti auguri colmi di affetto e gratitudine. I tuoi Parrocchiani. Today is **Fr. George's birthday**. On behalf of our parish community, **Happy Birthday Fr. George**. We thank God for your spiritual leadership and continue to pray for your health and well-being.

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