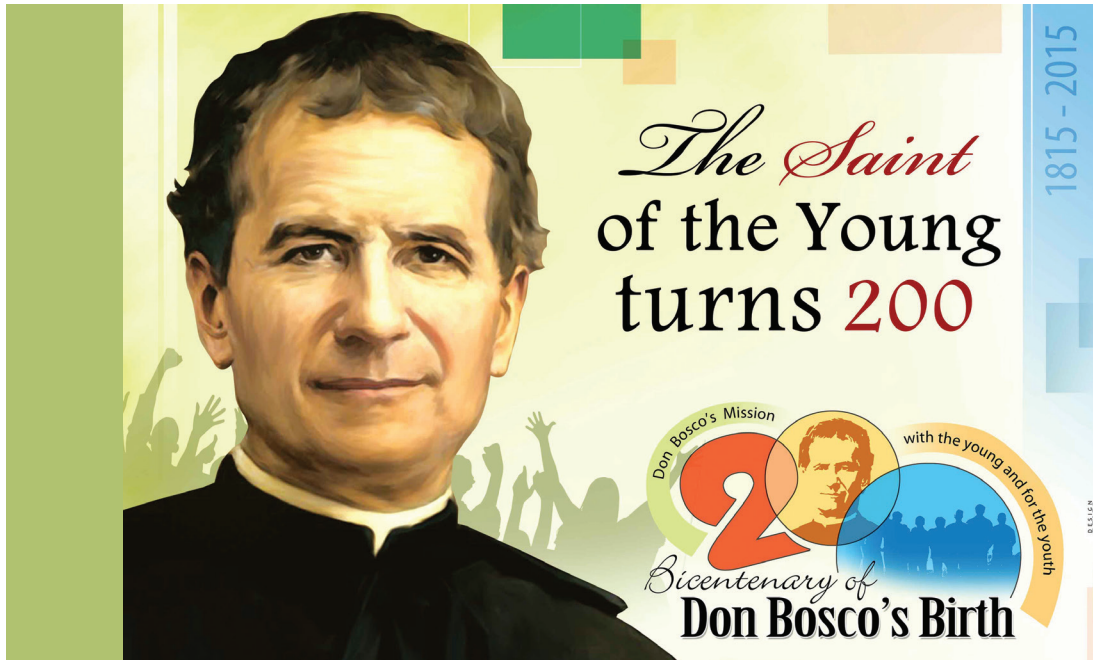


Happy 200th Birthday Don Bosco

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At 200 years of age, Don Bosco is alive and well. From his humble roots in the hamlet of Becchi, to the growth of his work during Turin's Industrial Revolution, his unique style of education and evangelization, leadership and service has spread to every continent.

In 1854 he founded the Salesians, a congregation of brothers and priests, to continue his mission. In 1872, together with St. Mary Domenica Mazzarello, he founded the Salesian Sisters (Daughters of Mary Help of Christians). Following the Spirit's lead, the Salesians are now the largest missionary congregation in the Church. With the other branches of the Salesian Family – consecrated lay people, co-operators, alumni, associations and lay collaborators – we share Don Bosco's awareness of living in the presence of God, his joyful belonging to the Church, his solid trust in the intercession of Mary, Help of Christians, his creative and tireless outreach to the neediest among us, especially the young and families on the margins of society.

His spiritual legacy continues to attract. Through schools and universities, youth centres and parishes, social justice initiatives and a vast array of missionary presences, generations of young people have experienced God's love for them. Don Bosco has led them to a Church they are proud to call "home". Don Bosco has provided an education that prepares for responsible service in all sectors of society and the church. Don Bosco has helped them recognize in Jesus the Good Shepherd a model for a meaningful, personal plan of life.

On January 31, 1988, the centenary of Don Bosco's birth, St. John Paul II honoured him with the title "Father and Teacher of Youth".

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**"Run, jump, sing,
do anything but sin."**

- St. John Bosco



CELEBRATE WITH US

SAT. JAN. 31, 2015

Solemn Mass for the Feast of Don Bosco



His Eminence Thomas Cardinal Collins, Archbishop of Toronto, Presider and Homilist. Light luncheon to follow in Church Hall. Mass: 10:00 am at St. Paul's Basilica, 83 Power St., Toronto.

SAT. APRIL 11, 2015

Family Life : Perspectives from the Synod on the Family

Salt+Light's Fr. Tom Rosica and Sebastian Gomes lead this workshop on Pope Francis' recent Synod on the Family. 9:00 am – 1:00 pm. St. Benedict Church Hall, 2194 Kipling Ave., Etobicoke. Registration: Mariel Cabrera - 416 743 3830 x6 salesianym.toronto@gmail.com

APR. 12 – 27, 2015



Pilgrimage to the Marian Shrines of Europe, St. Francis de Sales' Annecy & St. John Bosco's Turin

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SAT. MAY 23, 2015

Salesian Family Day for the Feast of Mary, Help of Christians

Games, Workshops, BBQ, Prayer. 9:30 am, Don Bosco Secondary School. Ends with 4km pilgrimage to St. Benedict Church (2194 Kipling Ave., Etobicoke) for 5:00 pm Mass in honour of Mary Help of Christians.

AUG. 3 – 17, 2015

"Viva Valdocco" International Salesian Youth Pilgrimage to Italy

Trace Don Bosco's footsteps in Rome. Pray in Assisi, Florence and Le Cinque Terre. Explore the roots of Salesian Youth Spirituality at the International Salesian Youth Forum in Turin.

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