# The Resurrection of the Lord ~Year A



Diocesan Theme: THE FAMILY: HOME OF LOVE, MERCY AND JOY. "The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace..."(Galatians 5.22) Parish Mission Statement: "LOVE GOD, LOVE OTHERS, MAKE DISCIPLES"

# &Mass Intentions

- Saturday, April 15<sup>th</sup>~Easter Vigil in the Holy Night 8:00 pm For the repose of the soul of Harriett Nahri by her family
- Sunday, April 16<sup>th</sup>~The Resurrection of the Lord
  9:00 am For the repose of the soul of Claudette
  Pare by Bruce and Margaret Helliker
  10:45 am For the intentions of the
  parishioners by the pastor

# Tuesday, April 18<sup>th</sup>

**7:00 pm** For the repose of the souls of Joan and Ron Kendall by the staff of St. Thomas More elementary school

### Wednesday, April 19<sup>th</sup>~at STA 8:30 am

# Thursday, April 20th

**9:00 am** For the intentions of Dick and Sally James by the James family

# Friday, April 21st

**9:00am** For the repose of the soul of Monsignor Don Clement by the James family

## Saturday, April 22nd

**4:30 pm** For the repose of the souls of Bill, Harry and Leo Bouwhuis by the Bouwhuis family

# Sunday, April 23rd

**9:00 am** For the intentions of Wilhemina Langens on the occasion of her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday **10:45 am** For the intentions of the parishioners by the pastor

### <u>YOUR OFFERINGS FOR</u> April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2017~\$ 3,371.05

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# INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER FOR APRIL:

That young people may respond generously to their vocations and seriously consider offering themselves to God in the priesthood or consecrated life.

# ~IN OUR PRAYERS~

For the sick among our families and friends especially: Margaret Robertson, Addie Pittman, Marthe Lepine, Alyssa Gauthier, Melanie Joanette and Catharina Crouzat.

# **Pastor's Corner**

# Jesus is Risen! He is Risen Indeed!!

The glorious resurrection of Jesus our Lord, is a powerful reminder that in every situation of our lives, God is always at work and is able to conquer death, sin and evil and to give us new life!

# Alleluia!

On this glorious Easter morning, in union with the whole Church, we sing the praise of the risen Lord, the conqueror of sin and death; the one who broke the chains of death and rose triumphant from the grave! Yes, Jesus is risen indeed and our lives are changed forever! Praise God! Alleluia!!!

# **Christ our Hope**

The resurrection of Christ is a sure hope for us who live in this valley of tears! Easter is a time of miracles for those who believe. Through baptism we enter into the death and resurrection of Christ, given the same spirit as Christ. Through baptism we become children of the resurrection! This same spirit who raised Jesus from the dead will also give life to our mortal bodies (Rom. 18:11). That same spirit will transform our tears and sorrows into joy as Pope Francis said: Christ's cross embraced with love does not lead to sadness, but to joy." This strong and powerful gospel (Good News) is meant to bring us out of our fears and desolation; it should be our light and joy, our hope and consolation especially for those who have lost their loved ones recently. Please, do take a moment to read Archbishop Prendergast's Easter message. Wishing everyone a blessed Easter!

# **Divine Mercy Sunday**

Next Sunday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>, is Divine Mercy Sunday. Everyone is invited to join us as we celebrate this very important feast. Our Lord said to St. Faustina that this Feast of Mercy would be a very special day when "all the divine floodgates through which graces flow are opened". (Diary 699) Confession starts at 2:15 pm. Come and experience God's infinite mercy!

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Fr. Paul

# April 16<sup>th</sup>, 2017 Are you new to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Parish? WELCOME! If you have not yet registered, please complete a registration form found in the foyer or in the office. You may bring the completed form to the office or drop it in the collection basket.

# THIS WEEK AT OUR LADY'S

Mon. April 17<sup>th</sup> ~Rosary making group ~7:00 -8:30pm in the hall Tues. April 18<sup>th</sup> ~Adult choir~7:30~church Wed. April 19<sup>th</sup> ~Edge youth group~6:30-8:30pm~hall Thurs, April 20<sup>th</sup>~confirmation class ~6:00pm~hall

**Everyone is welcome on Sunday, April 23** (Divine Mercy Sunday) at Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Parish, Russell as we celebrate this great feast of the mercy of God. Confession starts from 2:15 – 2:50 pm. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is at 3:00 pm. Please, join us!

**NEW EVANGELIZATION SUMMIT 2017:** Featuring 8 world-class Catholic speakers including: Bishop Robert Barron, Patrick Sullivan, Tom Corcoran and more. **May 12 & 13** at the Infinity Conference Centre in Ottawa with live-stream video to host sites across Canada, the US and beyond. Limited seating. Register online today (https://www.newevangelization.ca/).

**On May 6, 2017, Academia Stella Maris** will be hosting a Fundraiser Dinner at the Knights of Columbus hall in Embrun, 5 Forget Street. Cocktails and silent auction starting at 5:30pm. Dinner served at 6:30pm. The night will be commemorating the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Our Lady of Fatima and will feature dinner, live music, silent auction and a talk from Rita and Gerard McCarthy (Marriages for Mary) "The powers of praying together." \$40.00/person or \$70.00/couple. Please RSVP by May 1<sup>st</sup> at www.academiastellamaris.ca.

**YOUTH SUMMIT 2017**: Young adults 18-35 are invited to take part in the Youth Summit in Sherbrooke, QC May 19-22. The Family & Youth Ministry Office is organizing transportation from Ottawa. Contact: Krista Wawrykow (k.wawrykow@gmail.com, 613-738-5025 ext. 222).

A SPECIAL THANK-YOU to everyone who donated for the Easter flowers in memory of a loved one. It has enabled us to make our church so very beautiful for this Easter season.

CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE at <u>www.olmm.</u>ca Email: admin@olmm.ca In the month of April, we are going to be diving into the mysterious ways that God speaks to us. We have invited a guest speaker for each day that will share with us how God has been working in their lives. How does God speak to them? What does God's voice sound like? What kind of amazing and miraculous things is God doing in these people?

April 19<sup>th</sup> ~ Andrew Carvalho has grown up in a Catholic home all his life. He is currently a nurse and works with patients who are dying. Andrew will be coming into our program to share with us how he sees God in the face of suffering. His stories are beautiful to listen to.

**ACTION LIFE - 28TH ANNUAL HIKE FOR LIFE** 

2017: Raising funds for pro-life education. Sat., Apr. 29<sup>th</sup>. Registration: 8:00 –10:00 a.m. at Saint Patrick Basilica (in the basement). Official kickoff: 9:00 a.m. Further info: (<u>www.actionlife.org</u>).

**HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS**: If you have a family member who is homebound and would like to receive the Holy Eucharist please notify the parish office.

**The Catholic Women's League of Canada** calls all people of faith to join nationwide in 12 Hours of Prayer for Palliative Care on May 4, 2017 as a profound witness to the sanctity of human life. All parishioners, family and friends are invited to join OLMM CWL in prayer and solidarity from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at our church. Come when you can and stay as long as you can. A light lunch will be served around noon for anyone who is there at that time. Those unable to attend are encouraged to join in prayerful support at home. For more information contact CWL President Pat Redsell at 613-822-0379.