

Third Sunday of Easter~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 29th~St. Catherine of Siena

4:30 pm For the repose of the soul of Georgina Gilarowski by John and Nancy Bazzetta

Sunday, April 30th~Third Sunday of Easter

9:00 am For the repose of the soul of Claudette Pare by the Urlocker/Lalonde family

10:45 am For the intentions of the parishioners by the pastor

Tuesday, May 2nd~ St. Anthanasius

7:00 pm

Wednesday, May 3rd~at OLMM~St. Philip & St. James

9:00 am

Thursday, May 4th

9:00 am In support of palliative care by the CWL

Friday, May 5th

9:00am For the repose of the souls of George Hendley, family members and friends

Saturday, May 6th~St. Francois De Laval

4:30 pm For the repose of the soul of Rosemary Batchilder by Andre and June Pare

Sunday, May 7th~Fourth Sunday of Easter

9:00 am For the intentions of the parishioners by the pastor

10:45 am For the repose of the soul of Micheline Gauthier by Lisette Lepack

YOUR OFFERINGS FOR

April 23rd, 2017~\$ 3,300.00

Thank you for your generosity and support

INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER FOR MAY:

That Christians in Africa, in imitation of the Merciful Jesus, may give prophetic witness to reconciliation, justice, and peace.

~IN OUR PRAYERS~

For the sick among our families and friends especially:

Margaret Robertson, Addie Pittman,

Marthe Lepine, Alyssa Gauthier,

Melanie Joannette and Catharina Crouzat.

Pastor's Corner

In the mass, the breaking of the bread, the risen Jesus is present among us as one who heals, feeds, consoles and forgives us.

Perspective

The gospel story on this third Sunday of Easter is about two men who apparently lost their perspective while on a journey. For them, the death of Jesus was a great blow because they had hoped that He would be the answer to their problems. Even with the astonishing news of the empty tomb, they still failed to put two and two together. However, when Jesus appeared, explained the meaning of the scriptures to them, and broke bread with them, they got things straightened out!

The Mass

Like the disciples, we too are on a journey. Our real home, our lasting home, is with our father in heaven. Also, like the two men we can lose our perspective while away from home; we can get out of touch with reality, lost in the distractions of everyday life, and become confused and discouraged. What do we need? We need our own personal Emmaus! We need a place where we can get things straightened out again. The mass, "the breaking of the bread", is our personal Emmaus. Every Sunday, indeed at every mass, Jesus speaks to us; He reveals Himself and invites us to follow Him.

May we always glory in the precious gift of the Holy Eucharist.

Fr. Paul

Come join us. To mark the 100th anniversary of Our Lady's apparition to the children of Fatima on May 13th, 1917, our parish will be saying the rosary during the week all through the month of May starting Monday, May 1 at 8:30 am in the church. Everyone is welcome!

First Friday Adoration~ Friday, May 5th, 4:00 pm to Saturday, May 6th, 4:00pm.

CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE at www.olmm.ca

Email: admin@olmm.ca

April 30th, 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

Tues. May 2~Adult choir~7:30~church

Wed. May 3~Edge youth group~6:30-8:30pm~hall

Thurs, May 4~confirmation class ~6:00pm~hall

There will be a **Catholic Education Week** mass at STA on Thursday, May 4 at 12:45pm. All are welcome.

Please note: The rosary making group will be cancelled until September.

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS will be serving breakfast next Sunday, after both Masses downstairs in the church hall. In addition to our traditional breakfast, our menu will include delicious omelets and best ever homemade waffles topped with fresh whipped cream. The cost is \$7 for adults, \$4 for children, or \$24 for families. Come and enjoy good food and fellowship.

The annual March for Life will take place on parliament hill on Thursday May 11th. Those who wish to take part in this public witness to the sanctity of human life may join the bus leaving OLMM parish parking lot at 8:30 am. The bus will drop us at St. Patrick's Basilica for mass at 10:00 am. Following mass we will walk to parliament hill for the march and prayer. The bus will leave St. Patrick's Basilica at 3:30pm to return to OLMM parish. Please join us! Sign-up sheets are in the foyer. **LET'S FILL THAT BUS!**

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.

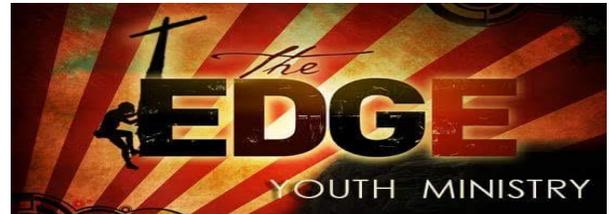
The night will be commemorating the 100th anniversary of Our Lady of Fatima and will feature dinner, live music, silent auction and a talk from Rita and Gerard McCarthy (Marriages for Mary) "The powers of praying together." \$40.00/person or \$70.00/couple. Please RSVP by May 1st at

www.academiastellamaris.ca.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Congratulations to all the children who received first communion on April 23rd:

Eden Baker, Caleb Reid, Emma Herde and Carter Derochie



EDGE~ Wednesdays, from 6:30-8:30pm. EDGE is a youth ministry experience created for youth. Come out and join us and bring a friend. No cost.

Why do we call our youth ministry program The EDGE? Well, students in grades 6 - 8 are not little children anymore but they are also not teenagers. They are sitting there on the EDGE, not quite sure where they fit in yet. Our EDGE program gives them a place of freedom to be themselves and to explore who God is with other students their age.

A sincere thank-you to all parishioners who supported our annual child sponsorship program in Honduras. This year's fundraising amounted to \$11,423 dollars. That amount will ensure that 46 young students receive school uniforms, a warm daily meal and health services for one year. For more information contact Mark Lalonde

Catholic Education Week 2017 begins on Sunday, April 30. The Catholic schools in our parish will engage in a series of events to celebrate the ongoing gift of publicly-funded Catholic education. You are invited to discover what celebrations are happening in your children's school and if possible, attend. The current generation of students in our publicly-funded Catholic schools will serve with the same spirit and generosity as their previous generations.

This year's Catholic Education Week theme is, "*Walking Forward Together.*"

Thank you to the Catholic Women's League and the Knights of Columbus for their monetary donations to the OLMM Spiritual Library. We now have five new children's DVDs and six new adult books. A list of the new items is posted in the library.

Parish Clean-up Day is Saturday May 13th from 9:00-12:00. Volunteers are needed for this year's parish spring clean-up. We need to clean, sweep and rake in and around our parish including the parking lot. We would also like to do a cleaning in the church to give everything a fresh look. Those who wish to volunteer are encouraged to sign up. Sign-up sheets are in the foyer. Pizza will be served for lunch. Remember that students in high school can earn volunteer hours for this.