

FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD Together With Mary We Live the Eucharist

"Eucharistic Heart of Jesus, may your kingdom come through the Immaculate Heart of Mary." "Eucharistic Heart of Jesus, burning with love for us, set our hearts on fire with love for you."



Saturday, January 12th

4:30 pm For the repose of the soul of Frank Pynenburg

by Mr. And Mrs. Heymans

Sunday, January 13th, Baptism of the Lord

9:00 am For the special intentions of the Parishioners by

the Pastor

10:45am For a special intention of a parishioner

Tuesday, January 15th

For the souls in Purgatory, especially those 7:00 pm closest to Heaven and for the repose of the

soul of Andre Cousineau by Marcel Vaillancourt

Wednesday, January 16th

9:00 am For the repose of the soul of Theo and Gerard

Marx by Mr and Mrs. Heymans

Thursday, January 17th, Saint Anthony

9:00 am For the intentions of Justin McKenna and his

family by J.P. and Joyce Vincelette

Friday, January 18th

9:00 am For the healing of Justin McKenna by the

Urlocker/Lalonde family

Saturday, January 19th

For the repose of the soul of Peter Naglik by the 4:30 pm

Naglik family

Sunday, January 20th, Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

09:00 am For the repose of the soul of Stella Hudder by

Debbie Stoppa

10:45 am For the special intentions of the Parishioners by

The Pastor

THIS WEEK AT OUR LADY'S

Tues., Jan. 15th: RCIA - 7:30 pm. Kitchen

Wed., Jan. 16th: Parish Pastoral Council Meeting 7:00 pm.

Kitchen.

Sun., Jan. 20th: Benefit for Justin McKenna at St. Thomas

Aguinas H.S. 7 pm. CD Release

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

Tues., Jan. 22nd: RCIA - 7:30 pm. Kitchen

Wed., Jan. 23rd: CWL Potluck Supper - 7:00 pm, Hall (Open to

new members): Temporal Affairs Meeting -

7:00 pm, Sacristy

Thurs., Jan. 24th: Knights of Columbus general meeting - 7:30

Fri., Jan. 25th: St. Thomas Aguinas H.S. Examination Days

till Thur., Jan 31st.

◆ OLMM MEN'S GROUP meets next for Morning Prayer and breakfast on Saturday, January 26th at 8:30 a.m. in the Church. All men are most welcome.

♦ ALTAR SERVERS: NEXT WEEKEND'S SCHEDULE

2nd Server Cross Bearer 1st Server Sat., Jan. 19th Hillary 4:30 pm. Matthew William Sun., Jan. 20th

9:00 am. Gordon Grant Hayden 10:45 am. Maddie Emily Eva

Please arrive 15 minutes prior to Mass. Thank you for your loving service to Our Lord.



COFFEE SUNDAY: We Serve Fair Trade Coffee! Please remember this is a service to the parish. It is your donations that will keep it viable. 9:00 am hosted by the Decorating Committee 10:45 am hosted by Pro-Life Reps



Julien Coulombe, Tini Forgues, Dave Phillips, PRAYER Justin McKenna, Monica Baker and John Lacelle. (If you would like a name added to this list please call the office.)

♦ FLOWER DONATIONS CHRISTMAS 2007:

- In Memory of Mary MacCauley by David and Kim MacKinnon.
- In Memory of Mary Goodfellow by the Goodfellow family. (We apologize for missing you.)

MIRACLES DO HAPPEN IN OUR PARISH

Thank you St. Joseph for all favors received. George & Marion

- ♦ CWL POTLUCK DINNER: Wednesday January 23rd 7 pm. Church Hall Please come out and see what this wonderful group of ladies really do! Joan Scott (past Archdiocesan President) will share her experiences and tell you about the great rewards of becoming a CWL member. Please feel free to bring a friend. Please phone Pat for more information at 613-822-0379.
- ◆ ALTER SERVERS are invited to the rectory for a pizza party on January 26th after the 4:30 mass. Please call the office for more information.
- ◆ YOUTH TEAMS OF OUR LADY are holding their next meeting on Saturday, January 19th at 5:30 p.m. This may be the last "open" meeting to welcome new members. All youth grades 9-12 are invited.

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- ♦ ALMS FOR THE POOR BOX: Donations for our Alms for the Poor Box for the months of January, February & March will be donated to Ronald McDonald House. THANK YOU!
- ♦ CATHOLIC CD'S: Don't miss this incredible sale of CD's titles from Catholic evangelists and speakers such as Scott Hahn, Peter Kreeft, and Benedict Groeschel for the unbelievably low price of \$3! An easy way to learn more about your faith and to share the faith with others. Available in the foyer.
- ♦ WELCOME TO NEW PARISHIONERS: If you are new to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Church, welcome to our Parish. Please take a moment to fill in the registration form found on the table in the Church Foyer. Say "hello" to Fr. Tim and share fellowship with parishioners at one of our events.
- ♦ BAPTISM: Baptismal arrangements should be made one month in advance. A baptismal preparation program is required for all parents. Please contact the church office at 445-3054. There are no baptisms in July, August and December.
- ♦ MATRIMONY: Please contact the church for an appointment at least six months before your planned marriage date. A marriage preparation course is required. Call June & André Paré at 445-0971 for information on the parish marriage preparation course.
- ◆ SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION: Please call the church office at 445-3054 if you wish your child to receive parish preparation for the sacraments of Reconciliation, Eucharist, and Confirmation.
- ◆ THEOLOGY ON TAP RUSSELL is back! On Sunday, January 27th, Fr. Dan Dubroy will be speaking at the Russell House on "A Christian Response to New Age Spirituality." 5:30 Doors open. 6:00 Roast Beef dinner \$10. (Reservations required by calling 445-0880). 7:00 Talk (open to all).
- ♦ Benefit for Justin McKenna: Jan 20th, 7 pm. At St.Thomas Aquinas H.S. Doors open at 6:30 pm. CD release, entertainment and more. For more information please call Samantha Timmins 613-443-1197
- ♦ KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: Substance Abuse Awareness Contest Open to children ages 10 14 as of Jan 21st. Drop off entries at Russell Public Library. For more information go to http://www.jacksonville.ca.
- ♦ KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: Sun., Jan 20th join the Knights at St. Thomas Aquinas H.S. in the gym at 1:30pm. for a basketball "Free Throw Championship". Open to children ages 10 14 (as of Jan 1st) and compete against others your age. More info and forms available from: http://www.jacksonville.ca/KofC
- ♦ CWL MEMBERSHIP DRIVE: Members of the CWL are actively participating in the Masses held as commentators, lectors, Eucharistic ministers, ushers and offering bearers. All women of our Parish community are invited to become a member of the Catholic Women's League. An information table will also be placed in the Foyer where membership fees (\$14.00) can be submitted. There will be members available to answer any questions and tell you more about us and our goals and objections.

♦ FOOD BANK: A reminder that our local food bank is in need of toiletries such as shampoo, cream rinse and toilet paper etc. as well as non-perishable food items and monetary donations to buy other necessities for the poor of our area. (Income tax receipts available: Good Neighbours Food Bank, P.O. Box 985, Embrun, KOA 1WO).

YOUR OFFERINGS

December 30/31 - \$4062.79 January 5/6 - \$2986.59

Dear Parishioners,

Many of you have read or heard about the latest priest abuse scandal involving Msgr Bernard Prince of Pembroke. This case has received rather extensive coverage in the media, with two prominent articles in *The Ottawa Citizen* this past week. I did not want to devote an entire homily on this issue, but I felt it was important to comment. All forms of sexual abuse are serious sins and crimes, most especially when committed by a priest or other adult in a position of trust. Such abuse not only wounds the victim, but also weakens the trust of many others in priests, in the Church, and in God.

We have just finished the Christmas season, in which we have celebrated God's love for us in sending his Son. All Christians, and especially priests, are called upon to model this perfect love for all human beings. At the same time that we confess to the ongoing reality of sin in our Church and our world, we must resist the depressing temptation to focus our attention on perverted love rather than perfect love. We must not allow evil in the world to destroy our faith in perfect love or our trust in God and the Church.

Instead, may the existence of evil and perverted love in our world inspire in us heroism and sanctity. In this past week in the media, we have also heard again of the life and death of Ardeth Wood, whose killer was recently convicted of murder. Some are calling her a "martyr" of purity, reminiscent of St. Maria Goretti, since she considered her virginity "the most important fact of her life" and chose death rather than sin in resisting the sexual advances of her attacker. In a world of bad news and perverted love, Ardeth Wood is an example of perfect love and heroic sanctity. Msgr Bernard Prince and Ardeth Wood. Two people in the news this past week. One a tragic reminder of the ugliness of sin, the other a shining light of the beauty of holiness. As part of our New Years resolutions, let us work to overcome evil by the power of good, to respond to the reality of sin by our uncompromising commitment to sanctity.

Fr. Tim

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