

Third Sunday of

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."

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As we continue our Lenten journey with our parish penitential service on Wednesday, February 27th, I share these words for your prayerful consideration:

"The rite of Penance is, strictly speaking, a ritual imitation of the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, who makes the penitent's 'imitation' real, efficacious and salvific" (The Sacrament of Reconciliation, CCCB, 2006, #32). With these words, the Canadian bishops remind us that by making a good confession, I participate in the death and resurrection of Christ: I die to sin and rise again as a new person! That's good news!

Furthermore, the Sacrament of Reconciliation also offers us joy, since it involves "a rediscovery of one's true identity which has been upset and disturbed by sin, a liberation in the very depth of self and thus a regaining of lost joy, the joy of being saved, which the majority of people in our time are no longer capable of experiencing" (John Paul II, Reconciliatio et Paenitentia, p. 120). May our Lord help us rediscover our "lost joy" as we gather on Wednesday for our communal penance service with individual confessions.

Sincerely in Christ,

Fr. Tim



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

NO COFFEE SUNDAY: Due to the Catholic Women's League Lenten Luncheon after the 10:45 am. Mass

◆ ALTAR SERVERS: NEXT WEEKEND'S SCHEDULE

1st Server 2nd Server Cross Bearer

4:30 pm. Hillary William

Sun., Mar. 2nd

9:00 am. Richard Luke Hayden 10:45 am. Eva Emily Sarah

Please arrive 15 minutes prior to Mass.

Saturday, February 23

4:30 pm For the healing of Justin McKenna by Fred and

Teresa Morris

Sunday, February 24, Third Sunday of Lent

9:00 am For the intentions of Bea & Tom Mascaro by the

James family

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

the Pastor

Tuesday, February 26

07:00 pm For the repose of the soul of Grace Bouwhuis by

Bep Versteeg

For the repose of the soul of Yvette Desjardins by

๖Mass Intentions

Desjardins family

Wednesday, February 27

09:00 am For the repose of the soul of Murray Fleet by the

James family (St. Thomas Aquinas H.S.)

07:00 pm Lenten Penitential Service

Thursday, February 28

09:00 am For the 12th anniversary of Madeline Lapointe by

Linda Lapointe

Friday, February 29

09:00 am For the needs of a friend and their family by the

Urlocker/Lalonde Family

Saturday, March 1

4:30 pm For the repose of the soul of Anne & Harry Gallery

by Phil Black

THIS WEEK AT OUR LADY'S

Sat., Feb 23rd: Confirmation and First Communion Rite of

Enrollment IV, 4:30 pm.

Tues., Feb 26th: R.C.I.A. 7:30 pm. Kitchen Wed., Feb 27th: Pot Pourri 7 - 9:30 pm. Hall

Thurs., Feb 28th: Knights of Columbus General Meeting, 7:30 pm.

Fri., Feb 29th: M.T.C.S - Grade four class attend mass 9 am.

Stations of the cross 7 pm. Catholic Womens

Confirmation and First Communion Rite of Sat., Mar 1st:

Enrollment IV, 4:30 pm.

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES:

Sun., Mar 2nd: Presentation of children being baptized at Sat., Mar. 1st

10:45 am mass

CWL lenten luncheon after the 10:45 am Mass, Russell Food Bank Donation Sunday

Tues., Mar 4th: RCIA - 7:30 pm. Kitchen Wed., Mar 5th: Pot Pourri - 7:30 pm. Hall

Thurs., Mar 6th: Baptism Preparation Meeting -7 pm. Hall Fri., Mar 7th: Friday Stations of the Cross, 7 pm. Peace &

Dev.

February 24, 2008

- ◆ **RECONCILIATION:** Our Lenten penitential service, with individual confession, will be held on Wednesday, February 27th at 7:00 p.m.
- ◆ STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Friday February 29th John Paul II by the Catholic Women's League.

HOLY WEEK WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Palm Sunday Marh 16 9:00 am. & 10:45 am.

Holy Thursday Marh 20 7:00 pm.

(Please note there is no 9:00 am. Mass today only)

Good Friday 3:00 pm. March 21 Easter Vigil 8:00 pm. March 22

(Please note there is no 4:30 pm. Mass today only)

Easter Sunday March 23 9:00 & 10:45 am.

- ◆ DRIVE TO MASS SUNDAY'S: There is a parishioner looking for assistance in getting to Sunday Mass. The ride is needed from Embrun to the Parish and back after Mass. Either Sunday Mass will do. Please call the office if you can be of assistance (613)445-3054.
- ◆ SOUL FOOD SATURDAY: Sat March 1st, 2:30 pm.-4:00pm. Come and cook in our kitchen as we learn to make prezels. For information call Karen Urlocker at 613-445-2962.

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- ◆ TAX RECEIPTS FOR 2007 are available for pick up in the foyer. Please contact the office if there are questions: 613-445-3054.
- ◆ 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.
- ◆ MARRIED COUPLES: Give each other the gift of time together and rediscover the depth of your love through a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend! Ottawa - Feb 29 -Mar. 2, 2008. For more information or to register call Louise and Tim at 613-834-8348 World Wide Marriage Encounter http://www.wwmecanada.org/

- **♦ THE PASTORAL CARE TEAM** is available for home, hospital or telephone visits to sick or shut-in parishioners. Kindly call Winnie Kerfoot (445-3535) to have someone call or visit.
- ◆ 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!
- ◆ BECOME A PROVIDER OF THE CREIGHTON MODEL FERTILITY CARE SYSTEM: A Provider Education Program is coming to Galilee Center, Arnprior. 2 phases: March 1-8 & September 8-13. Accredited by the American Academy of Fertility Care Professionals, the program is designed to professionally train providers of the Creighton Model Fertility Care System. CEUs are available for nurses. Contact: Margaret Howard, Program Director (402-991-3145); (402-320-9268); (cmhoward12@cox.net).
- ◆ ST. THOMAS AQUINAS HIGH SCHOOL will be hosting a Grade 7 & 8 Open House on Wednesday, March 26, 08 at 7 pm. Web Site: www.sta-russell.com
- ◆ LENTEN LUNCH: All Parishioners are cordially invited Sun Mar., 2nd after the 10:45 mass to a Lenten Lunch served by the CWL.
- **♦CWL GIFT CUPBOARD:** Articles for First Communion and Confirmation are available for sale from the CWL gift cupboard in the fover.
- ◆ RUSSELL AA MEETINGS: Mondays and Saturdays at 8 pm. Location: Russell United Church, Mill Street. For Information with confidentiality call Gib at 613-445-8008.
- **♦** SIGN UP! PARISH FIRST COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION PREPARATION BEGINS: LESSON 1 TUES., MAR. 18th at 7:30 pm: All children in the public school system who are receiving the Sacrament of Communion/Confirmation in the Spring of 2008 are asked to register (613-445-3054).
- ◆ SPIRITUAL LIBRARY: Please remember to use our check-out procedures and return all material. This resource is available thanks to the Parish and the great volunteers who take pride looking after it for you.

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