

Share Lent

Thank you
for giving.

 CANADIAN CATHOLIC ORGANIZATION FOR
**Development
and Peace**
1 888 234-8533
www.devp.org

Fifth Sunday of **Lent**

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."*

Mass Intentions

Saturday, March 8th

4:30 pm For the repose of the soul of William Elshof,
Brother of Annie, by Bill & Annie Bouwhuis
For the special Intentions of the Parishioners
by the Pastor

Sunday, March 9th Fifth Sunday of Lent

9:00 pm. For the special intentions of Madison Renaud
and family by the Baker's
10:45 pm. For the repose of the soul of Pat Curran by
Lorraine and Dale Harper

Tuesday, March 11th

7:00 pm. For the repose of the soul of Roger Garipey by
Lenore & Ralph Smith

Wednesday, March 12th

9:00 am. For the intentions of Gerard Monaghan

Thursday, March 13th

9:00 am. Repose of the soul of Phil Bourassa by the
Kupferschmidt family

Friday, March 14th

9:00 am. For the repose of the soul of Mr. Conroy by
the Kupferschmidt family

Saturday, March 15th

9:00 am. For the men of our parish
4:30 pm. For the intentions of the Parishioners by the
Pastor

THIS WEEK AT OUR LADY'S

Sun., Mar 9th: Development & Peace Special Collection
Mon., Mar 10th: School March Break
Tues., Mar 11th: RCIA - 7:30 pm. Kitchen
Wed., Mar 12th: Pot Pourri - 7- 9:30 pm. Hall
Thurs., Mar 13th: CWL meeting 7 pm. Hall
KOC Executive Meeting 7:30 pm. Kitchen
Fri., Mar 14th: Friday Stations of the Cross, 7 pm. KOC
Sat., Mar 15th: Special 9 am. Mass Solemnity of St. Joseph

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES:

Sun., Mar 16th: Baptisms - 12:00 pm.
Wed., Mar 19th: Pot Pourri, 7-9:30 pm.
Thur., Mar 20th: Holy Thursday Mass, 7:00 pm.
No 9 am. Mass
Friday., Mar 21st: Good Friday, 3 pm. Holy Land Special
No Friday Morning Eucharistic Adoration
Altar server practice for Easter 10 am.
RCIA rehearsal, 11 am. & RCIA First
Reconciliation. Easter Vigil Mass 8 pm.
Easter Vigil Mass for RCIA candidates, Hall

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

On this Sunday for the Development and Peace collection, and in follow-up to Mark Lalonde's presentation last Sunday, I would like to say a few words about my upcoming Mission trip (not yet booked!) to El Salvador and Honduras. As many of you know, I have been to El Salvador six times, but I have decided to also visit Honduras, since I have heard from the people at Canadian Food for Children that this particular mission can offer excellent opportunities for youth to serve our poor brothers and sisters in the "Third World." If all goes well, we can look ahead to planning a parish mission trip in 2009.

Every year I have been to El Salvador I hand out money to many of the poor families I have come to know over the years, many of whom had children who spent time in the local hospital for malnourished children. We have also given donations in the past to the nearby orphanage. If anyone were to entrust a donation to me, I will gladly pass it on to the poor. I am currently emailing a sister in El Salvador to ask her about other ways we could help.

I would also like to share with you that it is always a difficult decision for me to actually get up and go on a mission trip. It is easier to stay home, or lay on a beach in Cancun and have the poor serve us! But I know I wouldn't be happy doing that, and every time I do try to reach out to the poor, the Lord blesses me with more life, joy and gratitude for what He has given to me. I will keep you posted.

Sincerely in Christ,

Fr. Tim



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



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 Youth Group
10:45 am hosted by Temporal Affairs Council

HOLY WEEK WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Palm Sunday	March 16	Sat 4:30 pm, Sun 9:00 & 10:45 am.
Holy Thursday	March 20	7:00 pm. (Please note there is no 9:00 am. Mass today only)
Good Friday	March 21	3:00 pm.
Easter Vigil	March 22	8:00 pm. (Please note there is no 4:30 pm. Mass today only)
Easter Sunday	March 23	9:00 & 10:45 am.

◆ **Parishioners can help beautify the church for Easter** by making a donation for church flowers and decorations in the name of a departed loved one. The names of the donors and the names of their departed loved ones will be published in the church bulletin at Easter. If you have a loved one you would like to honour in this way, please fill out the envelope found in the pews including your donation.

◆ **Introduction to Ignatian Discernment:** How to Discern Spiritual Influences and God's Will - Lay Formation Course taught by Fr. Terry Donahue, CC and Claire Johnson, STL at St. Mary's Church hall, Mondays 7:15-9:15pm from March 31 to May 12. Suggested cost: \$70.00 (financial assistance available). Registration: Call 613-728-3175.

◆ **CWL BURSARY:** Applications are now available for the CWL \$300 Bursary being offered to a graduating Grade 12 student parishioner of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Parish who will be pursuing post secondary studies at a Canadian College or University. Please contact Bursary Committee Chair Heather Sisk for more information. Application deadline is April 30, 2008.

YOUR OFFERINGS

March 1 /2nd, 2008 - \$4202.98
Thank you for your generosity & support.

◆ **'COME & SEE' FOR MEN:** Have you ever thought of becoming a priest? Our "Come & See" group meets each month for fellowship, prayer & discussion. Next meeting: **Friday March 28, 6:30 pm.** At St. Patrick Basilica on Kent St. Info: Fr. Joseph Muldoon (613-738-5025)

◆ **OFFICE HOURS ON MARCH BREAK:** The Parish Office will be operating on regular hours during March Break. Tuesday - Wednesday 9-12 & 1-3pm.. Thursday & Friday 9:30 -12 & 1-3 pm.

Church Directory is found in pamphlet rack of Foyer

◆ **MASS FOR THE SOLEMNITY OF ST. JOSEPH:** We are adding a special Eucharist on March 15th for the "solemnity" (i.e. very important feast day) of Joseph, the husband of Mary, the patron of Canada. The Mass will include a testimony from a member of the Men's Prayer Group, followed by a breakfast for the men (at a restaurant, but free for new members!)

◆ **FOUNDATION WORK AT OLMM:** Parishioners may notice some digging at the back of the Church in the coming weeks. Mr. Foundation is repairing a leak in our foundation. In the spring, for three of the past four years, we have had flooding through the bathrooms into the hall. During the thaw this February, we spent three days vacuuming up the water. Needless to say this problem is not going to go away on its own. We do not want any further damage to our new carpet, nor increase the possibility of mold developing, a problem about which our Catholic insurance representative has warned us. The work is necessary, and comes at a cost of \$6 800. Thanks be to God we have money in the bank to cover this, but of course any donation would be gladly accepted. Fr. Tim

◆ **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!

◆ **SIGN UP! PARISH FIRST COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION PREPARATION BEGINS:** LESSON 1 TUES., MAR. 18th at 6pm: All children in the public school system who are receiving the Sacrament of First Communion/Confirmation in the Spring of 2008 are asked to register (613-445-3054).

◆ **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.

◆ **ST. THOMAS AQUINAS HIGH SCHOOL** will be hosting a Grade 7,8 &9 Open House on Wednesday, March 26, 08 at 7 pm. Web Site: www.sta-russell.com

◆ **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.

BULLETIN DEADLINE: TUESDAY NOON to Church Office: email olmm@bellnet.ca or fax 613-445-9839.

The advertisers on the back pay for this bulletin.

Let them know you saw it here!