# his face became as dazzling

# SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

"Be Reconciled to God" (2 Cor 5:20)



# Saturday March 7

**4:30** pm For the repose of the soul of Catherina Forgues by the Pastor & Pastoral Care Team

For the intentions of the Chartrand family by the Tanguay family

# Sunday March 8

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

**10:45** am For the repose of the souls of Felix McLaughlin & Beaudette families by the McLaughlin family

#### Tuesday March 10

7:00pm Penitential Service 7:00 pm

## Wednesday March 11

**9:00** am For the repose of the soul of Garnet Guertin by the St.Thomas Aguinas Catholic School Staff

#### Thursday March 12

**9:00** am For the repose of the soul of John Lacelle by Constance Lacelle

#### Friday March 13

**9:00** am For the repose of the souls of deceased family members by Bep Versteeg

## Saturday March 14

**4:30 pm** For the repose of the soul of Colette Vaillancourt by the CWL

For the special intentions of the Patry family by the Chartrand family

#### Sunday March 15

**9:00** am For the repose of the soul of John Lacelle by the Pastor & Pastoral Care Team

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

## THIS WEEK AT OUR LADY'S...

Saturday March 7 - KofC Food Bag Collection 4:30 pm Mass Sunday March 8 - KofC Food Bag Collection at all Masses

Monday March 9 - Confirmation Parish Program 6:30 pm

Tuesday March 10 -Adult Choir 7:30 pm

Wednesday March 11 - Lenten Bible Study 7 pm

Thursday March 12 - CWL General Meeting 7:00 pm, KOC

Executive Meeting 7:30 pm Kitchen

Friday March 13 - Stations of the Cross 7 pm

#### **UPCOMING ACTIVITIES AT OUR LADY'S...**

**Saturday March 14 - Mother Teresa Rite of Enrollment 4:30 pm** Mass

Sunday March 15 - RCIA Scrutinies 10:45 am, Baptisms 12 noon Tuesday March 17 - Masses Cancelled March 17 - 20 Adult Choir 7:30 pm,

Wednesday March 18 - NO Lenten Bible Study

Thursday March 19 - Pot Pourri 7:00pm

Friday March 20 - NO Stations of the Cross

**♦HONDURAS SPONSORSHIP:** The Parish has sponsored a 6 year old child from Honduras. Her name is Lilian Pamela Garcia Alvarado. Her picture is framed on a table in the hall. Please keep her in your prayers.

◆STATIONS OF THE CROSS takes place every Friday accept March Break at 7 pm. This Friday March 13th at 7 pm is led by the Knights of Columbus. Try the stations and be renewed in this intimate experience of Jesus' solidarity with all humanity!

#### **CHRISTIAN GIVING...**

February 21st/22nd \$3580.03

Thank you for your continued generosity to our parish.

It is appreciated!

Average weekly collection needed to cover all expenses is
\$3,000.00



This weekend, the Knights of Columbus will be collecting food bags downstairs in the church hall for the Township of Russell Good Neighbours Food Bank. Our local Food Bank needs your help. Items needed are canned meals (soups, chili, stews, etc...), canned meats, peanut butter, canned vegetables and fruits, cereals, fruit juices in single serving boxes and other non-perishable

items. Items in glass jars cannot be donated. If you forget your bag, you can bring it at a later time and drop it in the bushel baskets located downstairs in the church hall. To learn more about the Township of Russell Good Neighbours Food Bank, visit our web site at <a href="https://www.olmm.ca/foodbank">www.olmm.ca/foodbank</a>.



#### LENTEN RECONCILIATION SERVICE

Tuesday, March 10th at 7 pm. A number of visiting priests will be available for individual confessions. Come & take advantage of this opportunity to spiritually prepare ourselves on our Lenten Journey!

<u>BULLETIN DEADLINE</u>: TUESDAY NOON to Church Office: <u>olmm@bellnet.ca</u> or fax 613-445-9839.

#### FOR HOLY COMMUNION

A reminder that intinction (dipping the host in the chalice) is not permitted in accordance with universal Church law (in part due to danger of drops of Precious Blood falling on the floor).

**♦CHILDREN'S LITURGY:** There will be no children's Liturgy on March 22, 2209.



Ken Gaydamack, Cory VandenHanenberg, Teresa Morris, Jack Tyo, Gerry Phillips and Gilles Benoit.

If you would like a name added to this list please call the office.

◆ PILGRIMAGE STATUE OF OUR LADY OF THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL is available to be brought home this week. If you wish to take home Our Lady for 1 week, please sign up on the sheet on the table in the foyer.

**COFFEE SUNDAY**: Please remember this is a service to the parish. It is your donations that will keep it viable.

Sunday March  $15^{TH}$  will be hosted by:

9:00 am The Losier family 10:45 am The Piovesan family

Let us continue our celebration by meeting with other parishioners after Masses.



**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**: Plans are underway for Vacation Bible School to be held at our parish this summer 2009. Vacation Bible School (VBS) is a specialized form of religious education for children. If you are interested in helping organizing this event and would like to be part of our team, please contact

Allison Fortier 613-443-2657 or email: allison@afortier.com.



ST. THOMAS AQUINAS HIGH SCHOOL NEWS Web Site: www.sta-russell.com

Our Catholic Church's intention for the month of March that the role of women may be more appreciated and used to good advantage in every country in the world.

We ask for your prayers that we play a lead role teaching our students these lessons of our Lord.

- ◆ OFFICE HOURS ON MARCH BREAK: The Parish Office will be closed Thurs., Mar. 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>. Regular office hours will resume Tuesday March 24th.
- ♦ 40 DAYS FOR LIFE CAMPAIGN: During Lent, Feb. 25 Apr. 5. In repentance for all the victims of abortion, the Campaign consists of prayer, fasting, and peaceful vigil during the entire 40 days. With the endorsement of His Grace Archbishop Prendergast, all parishes are invited to participate. Sign up sheet is available in the foyer or for info please call: Robert Desmarais 445-3683/ Campaign Life Coalition

(613-729-0379); (www.40daysforlife.com/Ottawa/).

♦ OLMM MEN'S GROUP meets next for Morning Prayer and breakfast on Saturday, March 28<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 a.m. in the Church. All men are most welcome.

- ◆A different approach to fasting...Fasts have a tendency to be oriented toward things like giving up food or television. But there are many other creative ways we can welcome Jesus' healing touch. Here are suggestions you may want to consider.
- 1. Fast from anger and hatred. Give your family an extra dose of love each day.
- 2. Fast from judging others. Before making any judgements, recall how Jesus overlooks our faults.
- 3. Fast from discouragement. Hold on to Jesus' promise that He has a perfect plan for your life.
- 4. Fast from complaining. When you find yourself about to complain, close your eyes and recall some of the little moments of joy Jesus has given you.
- 5. Fast from bitterness! Work on forgiving those who may have hurt you.
- 6. Fast from spending too much money.. Try to reduce your spending by ten percent and give those savings to the poor.



**RCIA**: (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)

Tuesday March 10, Penitential Service 7:00 pm Sunday March 15<sup>th</sup>, Scrutinies at 10:45 am Mass

**★ ALMS FOR THE POOR BOX:** Donations for our Alms for the Poor Box for the months of January, February & March will be donated to the Emergency Assistance Fund. THANK YOU!

◆ 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.

# OTHER INFORMATION RECEIVED:

- ◆NEW DIOCESAN WEB SITE: The new diocesan web site address is (www.archottawa.ca). The new email address of Rev. Joseph Muldoon, Episcopal Vicar, is (jmuldoon@archottawa.ca).
- ♦ALL SINGLE CATHOLICS are invited to join F.A.C.E.S., in celebrating St. Patrick's day this year with a supper and live band. Starts at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 17th at the Arrow and the Loon Pub and Restaurant on Bank St. at Fifth Ave. Lots of free underground parking there. F.A.C.E.S. organizes various religious, cultural and outdoor actives for all Catholic singles in the National Capital Region. Reserve for this dinner with an email to: bobdiotte@rogers.com or at 613-747-6576.
- **♦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.

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