

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

2009-10 Diocesan Theme: The Priesthood is the Love of the Heart of Jesus 2009-10 Parish theme: Sunday -- A Day for God and Family

& Mass Intentions

Saturday, February 13

4:30 pm For the repose of the soul of Murray Fleet by the James family

Sunday, February 14, Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:00 am For the special intentions of the Parishioners by the **Pastor**

10:45 am For the intentions of Joyce Piovesan and the needs of her Family by Ken & Heather Sisk

Tuesday, February 16 7:00 pm-Mass Cancelled

Wednesday, February 17, Ash Wednesday

7:00 pm For the repose of the soul of William (Bill) Murray by the St. Thomas School Staff

Thursday, February 18

9:00 am For the repose of the soul of William (Bill) Murray by the Mother Teresa Catholic School Council

Friday, February 19

9:00 am For the repose of the soul of Anna Kozinski by the Mother Teresa Catholic School Staff

Saturday, February 20

4:30 pm For the intentions of the Parishioners by the Pastor

Sunday, February 21, First Sunday of Lent

9:00 am For the intentions of Jack Tyo by Al & Hariett Clarke 10:45 am For the repose of the soul of Rose Brown on the 10th Anniversary by Ken & Heather Sisk

YOUR OFFERINGS FOR

February 7.2010- \$2993.58

Thank you for your generosity & support

Your 2010 TAX RECEIPTS are now available to be picked up in the Foyer. Please verify your name, and address (including postal code) so that our records can be updated and maintained.



Joyce Piovesan, Alison Thompson, Alex Bennett, Monica Baker, Brenda Henke, PRAYER Mark Brewer and Pat Gates.

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

PASTOR'S CORNER

On this World Marriage Sunday we are reminded of the great gift of marriage to our society and our Church. Let us do all we can as a community to defend and promote Christian marriage. I share with you some wonderful quotes from the Catechism on marriage, first, on the connection between matrimony and the Eucharist:

"The entire Christian life bears the mark of the spousal love of Christ and the Church. Already Baptism, the entry into the People of God, is a nuptial mystery; it is so to speak the nuptial bath which precedes the wedding feast, the Eucharist. Christian marriage in its turn becomes an efficacious sign, the sacrament of the covenant of Christ and the Church" (CCC #1617)

And these words on the celebration of marriage, words that all married couples can apply to their lives at every Sunday Eucharist: "In the Eucharist the memorial of the New Covenant is realized, the New Covenant in which Christ has united himself forever to the Church, his beloved bride for whom he gave himself up. It is therefore fitting that the spouses should seal their consent to give themselves to each other through the offering of their own lives by uniting it to the offering of Christ for his Church made present in the Eucharistic sacrifice, and by receiving the Eucharist so that, communicating in the same Body and the same Blood of Christ, they may form but "one body" in Christ" (CCC #1621).

Thank you to all married couples in the parish for your faithful witness - through your own marriage - to Christ's faithful love for the Church.

Fr. Tim

THIS WEEK AT OUR LADY'S

Tuesday, February 16- Shrove Tuesday Supper 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm, Adult Choir Practice 7:30 pm

Wednesday, February 17 - Distribution of Ashes at MTCS, 8:45 am.; St. Thomas Aguinas, 10:00am & 1:30 pm.; Ash Wednesday Mass 7:00 pm, ACE Cancelled

Thursday, February 18 - Youth Choir Practice 7:00 pm Friday, February 19 - Stations of the Cross 7:00 pm

NEXT WEEK AT OUR LADY'S

Tuesday, February 23 - Adult Choir Practice 7:30 pm Wednesday, February 24 - Ace 7:00 pm Hall Thursday, February 25- Youth Choir Practice 7:00 pm; K of C General Meeting 7:30 pm Saturday, February 27 - K of C Food Bag Distribution Sunday, February 28 -K of C Food Bag Distribution

PILGRIMAGE STATUE OF OUR LADY OF

THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL is at the home of the James family over the next week. If you wish to take home Our Lady for 1 week, please sign up on the sheet located on the table in the foyer. Many graces will surely follow.

"Under Mary's protection we shall have nothing to fear." words of St. Marguerite Bourgeoys

February 14, 2010

A PRAYER FOR MARRIED COUPLES

Lord, Jesus, grant that I and my spouse may have a true and understanding love for each other. Grant us the grace to live with each other in peace and harmony. May we always bear with one another's weaknesses and grow from each other's strengths. Help us to forgive one another's failings, and grant us patience, kindness, cheerfulness, and the spirit of placing the other before ourselves. May the love that brought us together grow and mature with each passing year. Bring us both ever closer to you through our love for each other. Let our love grow to perfection. Amen.

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 CWL

10:45 am Dorinda Hildreth & Family Let us continue our celebration by meeting with other parishioners after Masses.

ALMS BOX donations for the months of January, February & March will be for residents of The Sarsfield Nursing home. Thank you for your generosity!

POT POURRI:Attention all youth! Pot Pourri 2010 is holding a casting call to recruit youth with talent in acting or behind the scenes work who would like to share their gifts with the community of Russell in this Christian community event. Auditions will be held on Sunday February 21st at 2pm at Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Catholic Church in Russell. For more information, please contact Jessica Cogan at 613-443-1169 or by e-mail at jessiemcogan@hotmail.com. We look forward to seeing you all there!

INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY STUDENT CONGRESSI: Ashley Kupferschmidt, former OLMM youth team leader, and Elizabeth Tanguay, OLMM's new choir director, are preparing to attend UNIV 2010, an international university student congress and pilgrimage in Rome during Holy Week. They need to fundraise \$5000. For those who wish to make a donation to Ashley and Elizabeth for their pilgrimage to Rome, but didn't have a chance to do it last week, they are still accepting donations. Just contact them at (613) 445-1313 or (613) 445-0808.

PASTORAL CARE: If you know of any shut-ins, sick or aged parishioners who are unable to come to the church but would like a member of our Pastoral Team to bring them Holy Communion, or who would like a visit from the Priest for Reconciliation or the Sacrament of the Sick, please call Louise Kelly 613-987-5798.

WORLD MARRIAGE DAY is THIS Sun., Feb. 14. World Marriage Day honors husband and wife as head of the family, the basic unit of society. It salutes the beauty of their faithfulness, sacrifice and joy in daily married life. Sponsored by Worldwide Marriage Encounter.

Info: http://wmd.wwme.org/. At the Masses married couples will have the opportunity to receive a special blessing.

Ash Wednesday is coming!

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday February 17th, 2010 and ends with the beginning of the Mass of the Lord's Supper in the evening on Holy Thurs., Apr. 1st. In addition, it is also customary to not eat meat on the Fridays of Lent. We do this as a sign of our repentance, and in the spirit of prayer.

ASH WEDNESDAY MASS IS AT 7 PM.

May the marks on our foreheads reflect our heart's desire.

Joel 2:12-18

ASH WEDNESDAY- DAY OF FASTING & ABSTINENCE

All those 14 & over must abstain from eating meat. All those aged 18-59 must fast by eating less - at most one regular meal and two smaller ones that together do not exceed the one regular meal.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:

SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER with all the trimmings will take place on Tues., Feb. 16th from 5 - 7 pm. here in the Church Hall. Free will offering. Mark your calendar!

COLLECTION FOR DIOCESAN & MISSIONARY WORKS IS THIS SUNDAY, FEB. 21st: This collection enables the Archdiocese of Ottawa to respond to requests for assistance from Canadian and foreign dioceses, as well as from various groups such as: Campaign Life, National March for Life, Legion of Mary Handicap Pilgrimage, Canadian Catholic Campus Ministry and more.

OTHER INFORMATION RECEIVED:

CURSILLO: Mark your calendar for the Spring 2010 Cursillo Weekends held locally in Orleans, Ontario. Cursillo is a spanish word for "short course" and participants will learn more about their Catholic faith in this course. Women's Weekend is March 11-14 and Men's Weekend is April 15-18. For details, please contact Faith Stephenson 613 445 5691

Prescott & Russell Community Services is holding a FREE INCOME TAX CLINIC, MONDAY MARCH 8, for couples that have \$25,000 or less income or individuals that have \$15,000 or less income, at École Secondaire, 1276 St-Jacques, Embrun, in the evening. BDO DUNWOODY accountants will volunteer their time to complete the Tax Returns. You must make an appointment. Please call Lisette Clément 613-443-2482

ECOLE ST-JOSEPH RUSSELL - Inscription à la maternelle Registration for Junior Kindergarten Please call 613-445-2947 if you wish to register your child in a <u>Junior-Kindergarten Full-Time French Catholic school in Russell</u>. We are welcoming all parents and students on February 19th who wish to register or visit our school. Looking forward to meeting you!

Grand Catholic Tour of Italy - May 3 – 13, 2010. Join Fr. Paul Shepherd on a tour that will include visits to Rome, the Vatican, San Giovanni Rotondo, Lanciano, Loreto, Assisi, Siena, Florence/Tuscany, and Venice. Contact Sandra at 613-863-9939 or sandra@agapetravel.ca - TICO#01576226

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Tuesday at Noon in writing please.

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