



## ***DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY***

*Diocesan Theme* "The Word of God grew and multiplied."

*Parish Theme* "Though Many We Are One Body in Christ."

### *Mass Intentions*

#### **Saturday, April 14th**

**4:30 pm** For the repose of the soul of Kim Coons  
Dupelle by the Urlocker Lalonde Family

#### **Sunday, April 15th**

**9:00 am** For the repose of the soul of Martin  
Huisman by the Baker Family

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

#### **Tuesday, April 17th**

**7:00 pm** For the repose of the soul of Peggy  
Bukovec by John & Lisa Serjak

#### **Wednesday, April 18th**      **Mass at St. Thomas**

**9:00 am** For the repose of the soul of Teir Abbot –  
Hill by the St. Thomas Staff & Students

#### **Thursday, April 19th**

**9:00 am** For the repose of the soul of Mary Sue  
Couture by Jim & Jane Munro

#### **Friday, April 20th**

**9:00 am** For a special intention by Gay Plant

#### **Saturday, April 21st**

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

#### **Sunday, April 22nd**

**9:00 am** For the intentions of Eva Berard  
Beaupre by her Family

**10:45 am** For the repose of the soul of John  
Versteeg by Bep Versteeg & Family

#### **IN OUR PRAYER**



Annette Dawson, Lydia Nyedkamp,  
Matthew Holmes, Isaac Berkers,  
Douglas Beaudoin, Judy Johnston,  
Monica Baker, Florence Grant,  
Jack Clarke, Julie Lefebvre,  
Shawn English and Justin McKenna.

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

**~PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY:** Inquiries call  
Joyce 613-445-0536 or Faith 613-445-5691

**ALMS FOR THE POOR BOX:** Donations for our Alms  
for the Poor Box for the months of April, May & June  
will be donated to the emergency assistance fund

### **PASTOR'S CORNER**

The glorious resurrection of Christ not only gives us joy, peace and hope, but in a profound way, gives meaning to our earthly existence. Blessed be God who in his infinite love raised Jesus from the dead and made us beneficiaries of his great love.

### **The Peace of Christ**

We hear one of the most fascinating post-resurrection appearances of Jesus to the disciples in today's gospel. Heart-broken and distraught, the apostles locked themselves up in a room for fear of the Jews. The risen Jesus appeared to them and greeted them: "Peace be with you!" Like the apostles we are gathered today and we could hear him say to us individually "Peace be with you"! Today Christ comes to us personally proclaiming peace; peace in every heart, peace in every home, peace in our world!

### **Divine Mercy Sunday**

Today is observed as Divine Mercy Sunday. In the Jubilee Year 2000, Blessed John Paul II established this new feast to re-emphasize the tremendous gift of Divine Mercy that the Lord wants to pour out on each and every one of us. We experience this unfathomable mercy of God in a special way in the confessional. Jesus himself gives us these incredible words through St. Faustina: "When you approach the confessional, know this, that I myself I'm waiting there for you. I am only hidden by the priest for I myself act in your soul. Here the misery of the soul meets the God of mercy. Every time you go to confession, immerse yourself entirely in my mercy with great trust so that I may pour the bounty of my peace upon your soul."

What a gift! What a great promise! What an invitation! May we respond with a generous heart and may our lives be filled with God's mercy.

Fr. Paul

## April 15, 2012

### PASTORAL CALENDAR FOR APRIL

**Sunday, April 15<sup>th</sup>** - First Communion during 9:00 am Mass, 2:00 pm Baptisms, Hall Rental  
**Tuesday, April 17<sup>th</sup>** - Adult Choir Practice 7:30 pm  
**Wednesday, April 18<sup>th</sup>** - Hall Rental 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm  
**Thursday, April 19<sup>th</sup>** - PPC Meeting 7:30 pm Hall  
**Saturday, April 21<sup>st</sup>** - CWL Bake Sale following the 4:30 pm Mass  
**Sunday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>** - First Communion during the 10:45 am Mass, CWL Bake Sale following the 9:00 & 10:45 am Masses  
**Tuesday, April 24<sup>th</sup>** - Adult Choir Practice 7:30 pm  
**Wednesday, April 25<sup>th</sup>** - Baptism Committee Meeting 7:00 pm Hall  
**Saturday, April 28<sup>th</sup>** - Hall Rental 9:00 am, Hike For Life Downtown 9:00 am  
**Sunday, April 29<sup>th</sup>** - First Communion 10:45 am Mass

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### YOUR OFFERINGS FOR April 7 & 8, 2012 - \$3939.00

(Average weekly collection needed to cover all expenses:  
\$3,000.00)

**Thank you for your generosity & support.**

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♦ **PARISH PASTORAL CALENDAR 2012/2013:** Any organization within the Parish that needs events placed into our upcoming Pastoral Calendar (Sept. 1/12-July 2013), should provide that information to the office by June 1<sup>st</sup>.

♦ **AN INVITATION TO THE MEN IN OUR PARISH -** Saturday April 28<sup>th</sup> is the date of the next Men's Prayer & Breakfast Gathering. We start at 8:30 a.m. in the church with about half an hour of prayer and faith sharing and then go for breakfast. We are usually finished by 10:30 a.m.; so it doesn't take up your whole morning and it's a great way to get to know other men within our parish. If you have any questions, call Mike Sliva at 514-244-8942. We look forward to seeing you.

♦ **ARE YOU** celebrating 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 40, 50, 60 or more years of marriage in 2012? If so you may want to take part in the celebration on May 6 at 2:30 pm at Notre Dame Cathedral. Archbishop Prendergast will celebrate mass. Please complete a registration form found on our parish bulletin board at the back of the church. Deadline to register is April 26.

### ♦ CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK

**May 6<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup>, 2012: Walking in the Light of Christ**

Our schools are walking places. The kids walk, the teachers walk, even the principals walk! Walking is such a normal human activity. We celebrate when a baby takes its first tentative but independent steps. In our Catholic schools there must be that deliberate intention that the light in which we walk is the Light of Christ. When you walk through our school, the feeling that you are walking in the Light of Christ is palpable. The interaction of student and teacher, the dialogue of principal and staff, the presence of parents in the school, the welcome extended to the visitor, are imbedded with the conviction that we believe that we are indeed walking in the Light of Christ. Being human, we may not always be conscious of that great reality and may sometimes act in a manner that may belie that conviction, but the light will always continue to shine.

Students from Mother Teresa Catholic School and St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic High School will be speaking at the end of all our Masses regarding the gift of Catholic Education in Ontario.

Our Parish family is invited to join us at St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic High School for our School Blessing of our New Wing at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday May 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. in the Atrium followed by refreshments and a tour of the Grade 7 & 8 Science Fair Projects in our new wing.

### ♦ CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE CORNER BAKE SALE

The Catholic Women's League will be holding a bake sale after all masses on April 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Come and purchase some delicious home-baked cooking for your family!

### STUDENT BURSARY

Applications are available to any graduating grade 12 student of our parish for the annual CWL Student Bursary award of \$300.00. Please contact Donna McKlusky, Bursary Committee Chairperson at 613-445-3250 for more information or to get an application. Deadline for completed applications is April 30, 2012.

### ♦ HIKE FOR LIFE: April 28, 2012

Come one come all to Action Life's 23rd annual Hike For Life – a fun event for the whole family: music, a clown, prizes, face painting. Rain or Shine, registration takes place from 8 am – 10 am in St. Patrick's Basilica Basement at 281 Nepean St. You can choose the 5 or 10 km route. Enjoy a walk on the "side of life" while earning much needed support for Action Life, Ottawa's pro-Life educational organization. If you are unable to participate in this year's Hike for Life, please consider supporting Kristine and Sarah Steele our Parish's designated hikers.