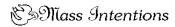
First Sunday Of Lent~Year B

Diocesan Theme "Whoever does the will of God, is my brother and sister and mother" (Mark 3.35)

"THE CHURCH IS GOD'S FAMILY: LOVE IS OUR MISSION"

Parish Mission Statement: "LOVE GOD, LOVE OTHERS, MAKE DISCIPLES"



Saturday, February 21st

4:30 pm For God's blessing and favor upon Dr. Chantal Plant and her entire family by Fr. Anthony Ibeazor

Sunday, February 22nd

9:00 am For the repose of the soul of Edward Grimm by Kim and Ann LaPierre

 ${f 10:}{f 45}$ am For the intentions of the parishioners by the Pastor

Tuesday, February 24th

7:00 pm For the repose of the soul of Josefina Eriguel by Jay Dupuis and family

Wednesday, February 25th (Pastoral Day) Mass cancelled

Thursday, February 26th

9:00 am For the repose of the soul of Link Byfield by the McPike family

Friday, February 27th

9:00 am For the repose of the soul of Gerald Bourbonnais by the Urlocker/Lalonde family

Saturday, February 28th

4:30 pm For the repose of the soul of Leo Bouwhuis by Bep Veersteeg

Sunday, March 1st

9:00 am For the repose of the soul of Geraldine Coffey by Ron and Mary Payment

 ${f 10:45}$ am For the intentions of the parishioners by the Pastor

~ IN OUR PRAYERS ~

For the sick among our families and friends especially: Marcel Sirois, Maddy Nichol, Lucille Nichol, Stephen Williams, Rachel Godsmark, Sandy Geerts, Pat Crawford, and Ann Henry.

<u>YOUR OFFERINGS FOR</u> February 15th, 2015=\$2,849.50 Thank you for your generosity and support

INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER FOR FEBRUARY:

That prisoners, especially the young, may be able to rebuild lives of dignity. That married people who are separated may find welcome and support in the Christian community

Pastor's Corner

I want to share to with you excerpts from the Archbishop's letter for Lent 2015

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ:

As Lent approaches, many Catholics ask, "What are you *doing* for Lent? What are you *giving up*?" This year, ask not what you can *do* for Lent; ask what Lent can *do* for you! The graces of Lent are God's doing. You need only open yourself to them. The gospel of Ash Wednesday highlights some well-known practices for Lent: prayer, fasting, and almsgiving (see Matthew 6.1–6, 16–18). These good habits move us to love our neighbour more deeply. Pope Francis recently challenged us to be islands of compassion in a world of indifference to the poor.

Through our Masses and prayer, by what we give up and what we give away, we come to know, love, and serve the Lord Jesus better. Through our sacrifices and donations, especially to the national collection for Development and Peace on the Fifth Sunday of Lent (March 22) or to other deserving charities, we die to ourselves so that others may rise to greater dignity. The Church encourages Catholics to make the entire Lenten season a period of discipline, with attention to personal prayer, participation in Mass, and the observance of fasting (only one meal that day) and abstinence (not eating meat).

In Lent, fasting and abstinence on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory, and abstinence is obligatory on the other Fridays. These are the basics for everyone. Please observe these traditions. Build on these to deepen your faith in the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ—the Paschal Mystery—and so strengthen your relationship with Him. How can you make this year's Lent special? By building on the abstinence the Church requires on Lent's Fridays, you can make them meaningful penitential days of renewal. You can reserve the Sundays of Lent for significant family celebrations around meals that anticipate the joys of Easter.

Sincerely yours in Christ, ★Terrence Prendergast, S.J. Archbishop of Ottawa

February 22nd, 2015

Are you new to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Parish?

WELCOME! If you have not yet registered, please complete a registration form found in the foyer or in the office. You may bring the completed form to the office or drop it in the collection basket.

THIS WEEK AT OUR LADY'S

Tuesday, February 24th

- ~R.C.I.A~7:30~kitchen
- ~ Adult choir~ 7:30~Church
- ~Confirmation Parish class~5:55~kitchen

Wednesday, February 25th

~Edge youth group~6:30-8:00pm~hall

Thursday, February 26th

- ~1st Communion Parish class~6:00-7:00pm~ hall
- ~K of C general meeting~7:30~hall

Friday, February 27th

~Stations of the Cross~7:00pm~(led by the R.C.I.A. team)

NEXT WEEK AT OUR LADY'S

Tuesday, March 3rd

- ~R.C.I.A~7:30~kitchen
- ~ Adult choir~ 7:30~Church
- ~Confirmation Parish class~5:55~kitchen

Wednesday, March 4th

~Edge youth group~6:30-8:00pm~hall

Thursday, March 5th

~1st Communion Parish class~6:00-7:00pm~ hall

Friday, March 6th

~Stations of the Cross~7:00pm~(led by the CWL)

Saturday, March 7th

~World Day of Prayer Service~11:00am

~First Friday, March 6th adoration, 7:30pm Friday to 10:00 am Saturday, March 7th then from 1:00pm to 4:00pm.

Gone to the Father

- The Mary Groot-Lipman
- Tom Mascaro
- Ken Woods
- The Leo Bouwhuis

Income tax receipts for 2014 are available for pickup in the foyer.

Please note: The office will be closed on Wednesday, February 25th due to Pastoral Day.

Email: admin@olmm.ca

CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE at www.olmm.ca



Stations of The Cross~7:00pm

Friday, Feb.27th (led by the R.C.I.A. team) Friday, March 6th (led by the CWL) Friday, March 13th (led by the Edge group)

Friday, March 20th (led by the Parish Mission Team))

Friday, March 27th (led by the K of C)

The annual World Day of Prayer service will be held in our church on Saturday, March 7th at 11:00am. Lunch will be served after downstairs in the hall by the C.W.L. Everyone is welcome to attend.

BAPTIZED IN THE HOLY SPIRIT



Annabelle Elsie Buissiere-Lanthier Isabelle Danielle Nugent Welcome to the family of God

PEANUT ALLERGY ALERT!

Peanut allergy is one of the most common food allergies that can cause a severe potentially fatal, allergic reaction in both children and adults. Please, we request that out of concern for fellow parishioners who may have peanut/tree nut allergies, we invite all who attend Mass to refrain from bringing food that may contain peanut/tree nut. Thank you for your understanding.

WORLD YOUTH DAY 2016: The Archdiocese of Ottawa is bringing a group of Young Adults (18-35) to World Youth Day in Krakow, Poland, **July 19 – August 2, 2016**. Approximate cost: \$3400. Limited spots available. To register please contact Ted (613-738-5025 x231); (thurley@archottawa.ca).

PILGRIMAGE STATUE OF OUR LADY OF THE

MIRACULOUS MEDAL is available to go home with a family this week. If you wish to take home Our Lady for one week, please sign up on the sheet on the table in the foyer