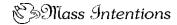
# Fourth Sunday Of Lent (Laetare Sunday) ~Year B

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, March 14th

**4:30 pm** For the repose of the soul of Leo Bouwhuis by Dale and Lorraine Harper

# Sunday, March 15th

**9:00 am** For the repose of the soul of Ceferina Del Rosario by the Guilbault family

**10:45 am** For the health and wellness of Michael Maidment by the adult choir

# Tuesday, March 17th

**7:00 pm** For the repose of the soul of Joseph Sladic by John Serjak

Wednesday, March 18<sup>th</sup> At OLMM Parish 9:00 am

## Thursday, March 19th ~St. Joseph

**9:00 am** For the repose of the soul of George Hendley by Marion Hendley and family

# Friday, March 20th

**9:00 am** For the repose of the soul of Ann Henry by Donna McKlusky

# Saturday, March 21st

**4:30 pm** For the repose of the soul of Mary Groot-Lipman by the Groot-Lipman family

### Sunday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>

**9:00 am** For the intentions of the parishioners by the pastor

**10:45 am** For the repose of the soul of Ken Woods by the CWL

#### ~IN OUR PRAYERS~

For the sick among our families and friends especially: Marcel Sirois, Maddy Nichol, Lucille Nichol, Sandy Geerts, and Pat Crawford.

YOUR OFFERINGS FOR
March 8th, 2015=\$3,860.00
Thank you for your generosity and support

## INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER FOR March: That

those involved in scientific research may serve the wellbeing of the whole human person. That the unique contribution of women to the life of the church may be recognized always.

# **Pastor's Corner**

### Rejoice, Jerusalem...and be joyful." (Is. 66:10-11)

The above invitation, picked from the entrance antiphon, sets the tone for today's liturgy. The fourth Sunday of Lent is usually called "Laetare Sunday". Laetare means "Rejoice" in Latin. Therefore, this day is a day of rejoicing, of celebration; a day on which the austerity of Lent is lessoned. "Be joyful all who are in mourning."

## **Hope in the Lord**

Life can be a real challenge. We sometimes are faced with difficult situations either in our relationships, economic hardships, struggling to make ends meet, or it could be the loss of a loved one. In the face of these challenging situations, we are certain of one thing: the love of God, which is poured out to us in Christ Jesus. It is not the will of God that we perish, for "God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through Him." In our tribulations, in our sorrow, in our brokenness, let us think of today's gospel passage. God loves us even more than we love ourselves!

### Rich in Mercy

In today's second reading, St. Paul reminded us that it is only through the grace of God that we receive salvation through His Son, Jesus Christ, whom God raised from the dead and is now seated at His right hand. "The Paschal Mystery" writes Pope St JP II in his encyclical Dives in Misericordia (Rich in Mercy) "is the culmination of this revealing and effecting of mercy, which is able to justify man, to restore justice in the sense of that salvific order which God willed from the beginning in man and, through man, in the world. The suffering Christ speaks in a special way to man, and not only to the believer." May our lives be filled with the love and peace of Christ! May we always put our faith in the Lord Jesus and allow Him to transform us.

Have a good week! Fr. Paul

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# March 15th, 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, March 17th

- ~R.C.I.A~7:30~kitchen
- ~ Adult choir~ 7:30~Church

### Wednesday, March 18th

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

## Thursday, March 19th

~K of C general meeting~7:30~hall

## Friday, March 20th

~Stations of the Cross~7:00pm~led by the Parish Mission Team

## **NEXT WEEK AT OUR LADY'S**

### Tuesday, March 24th

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

### Wednesday, March 25th

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

# Thursday, March 26th

- $\sim$ 1st Communion parish class $\sim$ 6:00-7:00pm $\sim$  hall **Friday, March 27**th
- ~Stations of the Cross~7:00pm~led by the K of C

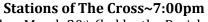
#### **Gone to the Father**

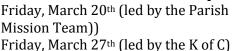
- Leo Bouwhuis
- TDiane Godwin
- TAnn Henry

PLEASE NOTE: THE CODE FOR THE LOCKBOX WILL BE CHANGED ON FRIDAY MARCH 20<sup>TH</sup>. PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE FOR THE NEW CODE.

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

**Applications are now available** to any graduating grade 12 student of our parish for the annual CWL Student Bursary Award of \$300.00. Please contact Mary Payment, Bursary Award Committee Chairperson at 613-822-1170 for more information or to obtain an application. The deadline for completed applications is April 30, 2015.







**EASTER FLOWERS:** 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. Deadline is March 29<sup>th</sup>.

## Miriam Centre - Pregnancy Help Centre

We offer emotional and practical support to anyone facing a difficult pregnancy. Follow-up is provided after the birth of the baby. We also reach out with compassion to those suffering from the loss of a child through miscarriage, abortion or infant death. We share their pain and help them experience healing and peace. Free and confidential 613-830-8623,

info@miriamottawa.org, www.miriamottawa.org

JOB OPPORTUNITY WITH NET - NET Canada is sad to say goodbye to staff members this year in the Administration department, and are now accepting applications for the Administration Coordinator and the Administration Assistant, an intern position. Interested? Contact Robin Daniels (<a href="mailto:robin@netcanada.ca/613-841-4141">robin@netcanada.ca/613-841-4141</a>/toll-free <a href="mailto:1-877-521-4426">1-877-521-4426</a>)

### THE PASCHAL TRIDUUM

Tuesday, March 31st ~ Chrism Mass at the Cathedral~7:30pm

Holy Thursday~ April 2nd ~7:00pm

Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday~April 3rd Outdoor "Way of the Cross" (meet at the arena at 10:00am)

Passion Service~3:00pm

Easter Vigil~April 4th~8:00pm

Easter Sunday~April 5th~9:00am,

10:45am