

Fifth Sunday of Easter~Year C

Diocesan Theme "Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful" (Luke 6.36)

The family, home of love and mercy.

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

Mass Intentions

Saturday, April 23rd

4:30 pm For the repose of the souls of Genoveva and Americo Barbosa by the James family

Sunday, April 24th ~Fifth Sunday of Easter

9:00 am For the intentions of the parishioners by the Pastor

10:45 am For the intentions of Carole and Tom Egan

Tuesday, April 26th

7:00 pm For the repose of the souls of Lucien, John, Aline and Raymond by Denise Parenteau

Wednesday, April 27th ~ at STA

9:00 am

Thursday, April 28th

9:00 am For the repose of the soul of Yvette Martin St. Marseille by the staff and students of STA

Friday, April 29th ~St. Catherine of Siena

9:00 am For the intentions of Noah Crane by Francis and Jaclyn Kwok

Saturday, April 30th

4:30 pm For the repose of the souls of Bill, Harry and Leo Bouwhuis by the Bouwhuis family

Sunday, May 1st Sixth Sunday of Easter

9:00 am For the intentions of the parishioners by the Pastor

10:45 am For the repose of the soul of Harry Nooyen by Christine and family

YOUR OFFERINGS FOR

April 17th, 2016 ~\$3,245.00

Thank you for your generosity and support

INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER FOR APRIL: That small farmers may receive a just reward for their precious labor. That Christians in Africa may give witness to love and faith in Jesus Christ amid political-religious conflicts.

~IN OUR PRAYERS~

For the sick among our families and friends especially:

Trish McNulty, Claudette Pare, Margaret Robertson, Eleanor Kelly and Anne Duncan.

Pastor's Corner

Our Trademark

A trademark is often defined as: "a word, name, symbol or device that is used in trade with goods to indicate the source of the goods and to distinguish them from the goods of others". According to Jesus in today's gospel, the ONLY way by which everyone will know that we are His disciples is by our love for one another. "Love one another just as I have loved you...by this everyone will know that you are my disciples..." The apostles were called "Christians" by non-believers because of the way they lived and loved - like Christ. Christ loved us by giving Himself up to die on the cross for our salvation. The challenge is to love like Christ! Real and true love must be sacrificial.

Annual Hike For Life

This year's hike for life takes place on Saturday April 30. I encourage everyone to consider participating in this all important pro-life event as a way of bearing witness to Christ the author of life and to stand up against abortion. You can participate in two ways, either by sponsoring me, our parish designated hiker, or take part in the 5/10k hike or at better still the two. This is a great way to promote pro-life activities and programs in Ottawa, and as a parish, to stand united against abortion and to be on the side life. It would be awesome to see a great number out there.

Congratulations

I wish to congratulate the children of our parish (34 of them) who made their 1st communion this year. We are so proud of you boys and girls! You have taken yet another major step in your faith journey. I pray that you may always remember the day of your 1st communion and may you and your family always hunger for Jesus, the bread of life! I wish, also, to thank all our parishioners for your prayerful support, and also for your patience and understanding particularly to those who gave up their 'regular' seats/pews during the celebration.

May God continue to bless us with His peace and love.
Fr. Paul

April 24th, 2016

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, April 26th

~ Adult choir~7:30~church

~RCIA~7:30~kitchen

Wednesday, April 27th

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

Friday, April 29th

~Bible study~7:30-9:00~hall

NEXT WEEK AT OUR LADY'S

Tuesday, May 3rd

~ Adult choir~ 7:30~church

~RCIA~7:30~kitchen

Wednesday, May 4th

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

Friday, May 6th

~Bible study~7:30-9:00~hall

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Congratulations to all the children who received first communion on April 17th
Dierks, Norah, Kathleen, Peter, Alexander,
Kaden, Xander, Dean, Keira and Allyssa.



Applications are available to any student of our parish currently in their graduating year or within one year of graduating from grade 12 for the annual CWL bursary award of \$400.00. For more information and/or to obtain an application form please refer to the parish web site or contact Mary Payment, Bursary Committee Chairperson at [613-822-1170](tel:613-822-1170). Deadline for completed applications is April 30.

Registration is now open for OLMM's 2015-2016 Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) program. Next year our parish will be serving 3-6 year old children in Level 1, as well as 6-9 year old children in Level 2. Registration forms can be found in the foyer. Space is limited, so please fill out your form and return to the parish office as soon as possible.

CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE at www.olmm.ca

Email: admin@olmm.ca

OLMM Mercy in Action

April - Shelter the Homeless

Reflect: For some, to be homeless is to be deprived of a secure and acceptable dwelling. For others, to be homeless is to live without meaningful human connections. How can we both ensure that all have a safe place to sleep, as well as feel valued as children of God?

Take Action:

- treat the homeless with love and respect (look them in the eye, smile, listen to them, etc.)
- support and/or volunteer at a homeless shelter such as the *Shepherds of Good Hope*.
- donate clothing and supplies to a women's shelter or a home for young pregnant women such as *St. Mary's Home*.
- support and/or volunteer for charitable agencies such as *Habitat for Humanity* who help build homes for low-income families.
- help support our parish's *Honduras Mission* project.
- consider becoming a foster parent.
- lend tools and time to neighbours who need housing repairs.
- donate to agencies such as *CNEWA* that help refugees in Africa and the Middle East.

HIKE FOR LIFE ~ SATURDAY, APRIL 30th, 2016

Come one, come all to Action Life's 27th annual Hike for Life ~ a fun event for the whole family: music, refreshments and prizes. Rain or shine, registration takes place from 8:00 am -10:00 am in St. Patrick's Basilica Basement Hall.~If you are unable to participate in this year's Hike for Life, please consider supporting Fr. Paul who is our parish's designated hiker.

BAPTIZED IN THE HOLY SPIRIT



*Blake Bols, Savannah Frangione,
Tessa Reid, Paisleigh Moreau,
Emma Jones, Noah Walkington, and
Owen Walkington.*

Welcome to the family of God