

Sixth 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 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

Tuesday, May 3rd ~St. Philip & St. James

7:00 pm For the intentions of Theresa James by the James family

Wednesday, May 4th ~at OLMM

9:00 am

Thursday, May 5th

9:00 am

Friday, May 6th

9:00 am For the repose of the souls of George Hendley, family members and friends

Saturday, May 7th

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

Sunday, May 8th ~Ascension of the Lord

9:00 am For the repose of the soul of Ron Payment by Mary and Bill Izakowitz

10:45 am For the intentions of all mothers by the CWL

YOUR OFFERINGS FOR

April 24, 2016 ~\$3,423.00

Thank you for your generosity and support

INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER FOR MAY: That in every country of the world, women may be honored and respected and that their essential contribution to society may be highly esteemed. That families, communities, and groups may pray the Holy Rosary for evangelization and peace.

~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

In today's gospel, Jesus wants us to know that His Spirit, the Advocate, will be with us and will teach us all things. As noted by Abbot Philip, the Spirit has a mission to teach us all things and to remind us of the teachings of Jesus. On our part, we must daily invite the Holy Spirit to be present in our lives and to teach us. The Spirit is not teaching something new. Rather, the Spirit is teaching the same lessons that Jesus taught: love of God and love of neighbor. Come, O Holy Spirit and fill the hearts of the faithful and enkindle in us the fire of Your love!

Month of Mary

Mary is presented to us as the first and perfect disciple of Christ. She, all through her life, depended entirely on God and was open to doing His will. Her entire life was that of humble submission to the divine will. With her 'Yes' she united her will with God. The month of May is known as the month of Mary. During this month may we strive to imitate Mary's way of life: her fidelity and obedience. May we also intensify our devotion to our blessed Mother especially by praying the rosary daily as a weapon to fight satan who prowls around seeking the ruin of souls!

Thank You

A big "thank you" to all those who sponsored me for the hike for life. A total of \$535 was raised. This amount goes to Action life Ottawa in support of their educational work. Action life is entirely dependent on private donations and does not receive funding from government or public funding agencies. Also a gentle reminder that next Sunday, May 8th, is "Pro-life Sunday" and this year's National March for Life is on Thursday May 12th. Please mark your calendars! As we have always done in the past, the parish will provide a bus that will transport parishioners to and from the Parliament Hill. Please do join us as we witness to the sanctity of life from birth to natural death!

Peace to all!

Fr. Paul

May 1st, 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, 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

NEXT WEEK AT OUR LADY'S

Tuesday, May 10th

~ Adult choir~ 7:30~church

~RCIA~7:30~kitchen

Wednesday, May 11th

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

Thursday, May 12th

~CWL general meeting~7:00pm~hall

~K of C Executive meeting~kitchen~7:30pm

Friday, May 13th

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

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Congratulations to all the children who received first communion on April 24th:

Briana Medeiros, Isabella Seguin, Dakota Kennedy,
Joshua Morrison, Breze Grobelny, Abby Weisgerber,
Charlotte Emond and Kiefer Kargus.



The Catholic Women's League of Canada calls all people of faith to join nationwide in **12 Hours of Prayer for Palliative Care** on **May 4, 2016**. This is designed to take place during the National Hospice Palliative Care week as a profound witness to the sanctity of human life and the need for accessible palliative care for all Canadians. All parishioners, family and friends are invited to set aside an hour for prayer on May 4 between 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. keeping in mind the words of Pope Francis: "Let us not underestimate the power of so many voices united in prayer."

A Pentecost Vigil of Prayer and Worship

Please join us for an evening of prayer and worship that will take place on Saturday, May 14, 2016, at 7PM in the Church. This will be a powerful and prayerful way to invite the Holy Spirit to fill us anew in preparation for the Feast of Pentecost. All are welcome.

OLMM Mercy in Action

May – Feed the Hungry & Give Drink to the Thirsty

Pray: Lord, open my eyes to see the abundance of blessings in my life. Then help me to recognise the people around me who hunger and thirst, so that I may share with them what I have received from You. Teach me how to love and care for this Earth, so that others may also enjoy the beauty of Your creation. Help me to do all these, dear Lord, through little daily actions. Amen.

Take Action:

- Keep drinks and snacks (e.g. granola bars, crackers, etc.) in your bag or car, and give them out to anyone who might need them.
- Donate or volunteer at the *Good Neighbour's Food Bank*.
- Fast from meat every Friday as an act of solidarity with people around the world who go hungry.
- Donate or serve at a soup kitchen (e.g. *Shepherds of Good Hope*)
- Reduce your water consumption. Donate the money that you save.
- Make a conscious effort to reduce the amount of bottled water you purchase. Donate the money that you save.
- Educate yourself and your family on how climate change affects water resources and food security. Take action to stop Climate Change.
- Donate money to charitable organizations that help to feed the poor around the world (e.g. *Development and Peace, Chalice, etc.*)

142ND ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE TO SAINTE-ANNE-DE-BEAUPRÉ AND CAP-DE-LAMADELEINE, AUGUST 13-14th

2016: Weekend celebrant: Archbishop Paul-André Durocher, Archdiocese of Gatineau. Pope Francis has encouraged all to make a pilgrimage during the Year of Mercy. This Pilgrimage is one such opportunity. The Archdiocese of Québec has designated a Door of Mercy at the Shrine of SteAnne-de-Beaupré. Participate Saturday evening in a "Stations of Mercy" at SteAnne. Info: Mike Budge (613-224-8110); (www.ste-anne-de-beaupre.com).

Holy Spirit Novena

As a preparation for the Feast of Pentecost, we are encouraging as many parishioners as possible to prayer a Novena to the Holy Spirit. This week in the foyer and the back of the church there will be copies of the prayer. The novena begins on Friday, May 6, and finishes on Saturday, May 14, 2016. Please join us in this nine-day preparation of the Pentecost.

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