

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time ~Year B Diocesan Theme: The Gospel of the Family: Joy for the World

"Clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness and patience ...above all, clothe yourselves with love!" (Colossians 3.12, 14) Parish Mission Statement: "LOVE GOD, LOVE OTHERS, MAKE DISCIPLES"

Mass di for the Intentions

Saturday, Jan. 13th

4:30pm~ For the repose of the soul of Georgina Gilarowski by Peter Gilarowski and familv

Sunday, Jan. 14th~Second Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:00 am~ For the intentions of the parishioners by the pastor **10:45am~** For the intentions of the Ouinton family by Theresa James

Tuesday, Jan. 16th

7:00 pm Wednesday, Jan. 17th~St. Anthony 8:20 am~at STA

9:30am~at OLMM

Thursday, Jan. 18th

9:00 am~

Friday, Jan. 19th **9:00 am**~For the intentions of Barbara Fleet by the James family

Saturday, Jan. 20th

4:30 pm~For the repose of the soul of Beatrice Mascaro by the James family

Sunday, Jan. 21st~Third Sunday in Ordinary Time **9:00 am~**For the repose of the soul of Catherine (Fr. Roberts grandmother) by June and Andre Pare **10:45 am~**For the intentions of the parishioners by the pastor

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INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER FOR JANUARY:

That Christians, and other religious minorities in Asian countries, may be able to practice their faith in full freedo

~IN OUR PRAYERS~

For the sick among our families and friends especially: Jeremy Featherstone, Jenifer Gunton, Melanie Ioanette Yvette Barretto-Duval, and Noreen Plant.

Gospel Summary

In today's Gospel Jesus begins to call His disciples. The first two to be called were disciples of John, who pointed out to them that Jesus was the Lamb of God. Andrew, one of the two, then brought his brother Simon to Jesus, saying that Jesus was the Messiah. Those who responded to Jesus' call sensed that there was something different about this Teacher, though they did not yet understand what following Him would require of them.

Reflection For Parents

We can sense the excitement of those first disciples when they saw Jesus and received Jesus' invitation to follow Him. They literally stopped what they were doing and followed Him, inviting others to join them along the way. Today is a good day to think about our own level of excitement when we hear the words of Jesus spoken in the Gospels or see Him in others around us. Do we share enthusiasm for our faith in Iesus with our children? Do we, through our words and actions, lead them to Him? How so?

Bringing The Gospel Into Your Family

Invite family members to help each other trace their footprints onto colored construction paper. Have each family member write or draw on each footprint one way he or she follows Jesus. Give family members time to share with each other what they have written or drawn. Cut out the footprints and display them on the refrigerator or in a place where all family members will see them. Title your display "Our Family Follows Jesus."

Discussion Starters

In today's Gospel, Andrew brings his brother Simon to Jesus. For today's discussion, invite family members to think about people they know whom they would like to bring to Jesus in prayer. For example, perhaps you want to bring to Jesus a neighbor who is ill, a classmate whom no one likes, or a friend whose parents are getting a divorce. Write each name on a slip of paper, and place the papers in a small basket or bowl. Conclude by inviting family members to draw one name at a time and to read the name, inviting all to respond, "Lord, we bring (him/her) to you. Lord, hear our prayer."

Blessings, Have a great week!

January 14th, 2018

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

Mon. Jan.15th, ~Rosary making group~7:00-8:30pm~hall

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS will be serving breakfast next Sunday, January 21st after both Masses downstairs in the church hall. In addition to our traditional breakfast, our menu will include delicious omelets and best ever homemade waffles topped with fresh whipped cream. The cost is \$7 for adults, \$4 for children, or \$24 for families. Come and enjoy good food and fellowship.

Save the Date for The New Evangelization

Summit: Join Catholics from across North America at the premier conference on the New Evangelization **April 27 - 28, 2018**. At the Infinity Convention Centre, Ottawa, and webcast to host sites across Canada and the US. World-class Catholic speakers: Michael Dopp, George Weigel, Patrick Madrid, Curtis Martin, Sr. Ann Shields, and more. Fee: \$95. Register online:www.neweyangelization.ca.

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Homelands' Mass: At Notre Dame Cathedral, **Sun., Jan. 14, 2:30 p.m.** Flags will be in the Cathedral balconies as a visible sign of your participation. Traditional dishes to share at the Reception in the Cathedral Hall following the Mass should be brought to the hall before 2:15 p.m. All welcome!

Journey of Hope – A Program for Separated and Divorced Catholics: Six week sessions for women (Tuesdays, Mar. 20 – Apr. 24, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.) and men (Thursdays, Mar. 22 – May 3, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.). Fee: \$25. At Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Parish Hall, 20 Grant St. Register by

March16: www.journeyofhopeottawa.com; Mary Jane Manley (613-294-1308).

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.

Thank You

Thank you to everyone who in one-way or the other helped the parish this Christmas. A special thanks to all our sacristans, altar servers, choirs, decorating committee, our office volunteers, ushers, indeed everyone! Your hard work and dedication is quite appreciated and will never go unrewarded by God. On a personal note, I would like to thank all of you for your prayers, cards and gifts over the Christmas season. I am so very grateful for your love and support! I wish you and your loved ones God's choicest blessings in the New Year and beyond!

Fr. Robert

Get set for Kindergarten!

Registration for the 2018-2019 school year is now underway at your local Catholic school. French Immersion is offered at many of our schools. In addition, we offer before and after school programs, and on-site daycare at some locations. Please call your local Catholic school for more information, or visit <u>www.cdsbeo.on.ca</u> for a complete list of schools and information on how to register your child.

Have you moved or changed your phone number in the past two years? If so please contact the office with your updated information so we can input the information for the upcoming tax receipts. Thank you

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