

Third Sunday of Easter-Year C

Diocesan Theme: **Christ is Everything for Us!** "Let us work for the good of all, and especially for the family of the faith" (Galatians 6.10b).

Parish Mission Statement: **Love God, Love Others, Make Disciples!** Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal parish through the liturgy, faith formation and sacramental life, provides opportunities for members to develop their faith and service to others.



Saturday, May 4

4:30 pm- For the repose of the soul of John Robert Bailey by the Gambell family

Sunday, May 5-Third Sunday of Easter

9:00 am- For the intentions of the Doyle family by Juanita Boucher

10:45 am- For the intentions of the Parishioners by the Pastor **Tuesday, May 7**

7:00 pm-For the repose of the soul of Remi Chartrand by the Chartrand family

Wednesday, May 8

8:30 am-STA

9:30 am-OLMM-For palliative and hospice care by the CWL Thursday, May 9

9:00 am-Mass cancelled due to the March for Life Friday, May 10

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

Saturday, May 11

4:30 pm-For the intentions of and God's blessings over Mr. Trump and Mr. Pence by Nellie Nahri

Sunday, May 12-Fourth Sunday of Easter

9:00 am- For the intentions of the Parishioners by the Pastor **10:45 am-** For all mothers by the CWL

~IN OUR PRAYERS~

For the sick among our families and friends especially: Pam Latour, Genny Detillieux, Natasha Baechler, Beverley Plunkett, Marie Kirkham & Theresa Harps.

YOUR OFFERINGS FOR:

April 28th -\$ 4,692.00 Thank you for your generosity and support

INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER FOR MAY:

The Church in Africa, a Seed of Unity

That the Church in Africa, through the commitment of its members, may be the seed of unity among her peoples and a sign of hope for this continent.

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Gospel Summary

For the third time since His resurrection, Jesus appeared to the disciples. It seems that the disciples had returned to their former lives—those they had lived before they left to follow Jesus—because they were fishing in the Sea of Galilee. Jesus stood on the shore and called out to the men in the boat asking if they had caught anything. The disciples replied that they had caught nothing. Jesus then instructed them to cast their net on the right side of the boat. When they did, they had a huge catch of 153 fish. They knew from this sign that it was Jesus on the shore. When they came ashore, Jesus cooked their breakfast of fish. When they finished eating, Jesus asked Peter three times if Peter loved Him. This was a great example of reconciliation because the opportunities for Peter to affirm his love of Jesus matched the same number of times he denied knowing Him. It was then that Jesus commissioned Peter to care for the sheep in Jesus' flock.

Reflection For Families

As parents we know a great deal about caring for sheep in the flock. We work long, hard, and diligently to make sure that our children receive the physical, emotional, and spiritual care they require. We are challenged by this Gospel reading to move outside our immediate "flock" and care for all of God's children. Our own children will learn the essence of this Gospel when they see us reconcile with others and go outside our small worlds to help others.

Bringing The Gospel Into Your Family

Jesus invites us to follow Him in the ordinary ways of our lives. An example of following Jesus can be seen in the reconciliation that transpired between Jesus and Peter. Out of paper, cut out some fish. On each paper fish invite every family member to put the name of someone they might need to reconcile with during this Easter season. You might even help one another decide on what action you will take.

Discussion Starters

One time when Jesus "filled my net" was when . . . When Jesus asks me, "Do you love me?" I show my love by . . I help take care of Jesus' sheep by . . .

Blessings,

Have a great week!

May 5th, 2019 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

What's Happening This Week

Tues. May 7- CGS-Level three-4:30-6:30pm-hall Tues. May 7 -Adult choir-7:30-church Thurs. May 9-CWL general meeting-7:00pm-hall Thurs. May 9-Knights of Columbus executive meeting-7:30pm-kitchen

On May 22, 23, 24 and 25 we will be producing a parish pictorial directory in order to help us acquaint ourselves with one another and strengthen the bond of our faith community. Every photographed family will receive a free directory and a free 8X10 color portrait. All photography and viewing is done in one convenient appointment at our church. Please see our parish rep in the foyer to sign up or answer any other questions you may have. You are all members of our church family, our directory is not complete without you.

May 6th to the 10th is National Hospice Palliative Care Week. On Wednesday, May 8th, 2019. OLMM CWL will hold a morning of prayer and reflection on this most important current issue. We will begin at 9:00 am with the Rosary, followed by the Mass at 9:30. Afterward we will remain in the Church to pray in community and solidarity for the pressing need for all Canadians to have greater accessibility to palliative care. We invite all parishioners and especially CWL members to join us in prayer and reflection on Wednesday morning either at home or in the Church.

Our next parish movie night will be held Saturday, May 11th at 7pm in the basement. We will be watching the movie *October Baby*, which tells the story of an abortion survivor who goes on a road trip to connect with her birth mother. Following the movie, we will have a Q&A discussion about the movie and the pro-life movement in Canada. Refreshments will be provided. Hope to see you there!

The OLMM Women's Group Ministry is inviting all women of the parish to join us **on Saturday, May 18**th for Formation & Fellowship. We will gather at 8:00am followed by mass at 8:30 am and it will finish before noon. There will be guided reflection and discussion over the topic "Searching for and Maintaining Peace" - a book by Fr. Jacques Phillippe. A retreat kit and a delicious breakfast will be provided. Please RSVP through Lisa <u>613-316-</u> <u>9755</u> or the parish office. **Parish Clean-up Day is Saturday May 11th from** 9:00-12:00. Volunteers are needed for this year's parish spring clean-up. We need to clean, sweep and rake in and around our parish including the parking lot. We would also like to do a cleaning in the church to give everything a fresh look. Those who wish to volunteer are encouraged to sign up. Sign-up sheets are in the foyer. Remember that students in high school can earn volunteer hours for this.

Canada's National 2019 March for Life will take place on parliament hill on Thursday, May 9th.Those who wish to take part in this public witness to the sanctity of human life may join the bus leaving OLMM parish parking lot at 8:30 am. The bus will drop us at St. Patrick's Basilica for mass at 10:00 am. Following mass we will walk to parliament hill for the march and prayer. The bus will leave St. Patrick's Basilica at 3:30pm to return to OLMM parish. Please join us! Sign-up sheets are in the foyer. **LET'S FILL THAT BUS!**

Catholic Education Week 2019 begins on Sunday, May 5. The Catholic schools in our parish will engage in a series of events to celebrate the ongoing gift of publicly funded Catholic education. You are invited to discover what celebrations are happening in your children's school and if possible, attend. Publicly funded Catholic education has existed in Ontario since 1841 and its graduates have served Ontario and Canada very well. The current generation of students in our publicly funded Catholic schools will serve with the same spirit and generosity as their previous generations.

This year's Catholic Education Week theme is "Living as *Joyful Disciples."* The 2019 CEW theme was inspired by three sources: Renewing the Promise, The Pastoral Letter on Catholic Education from the Bishops of Ontario; *Gaudete et* exsultate, the Apostolic Exhortation of Pope Francis on the Call to Holiness; and Young People, the Faith and Vocational Discernment, the October 2018 Synod of Bishops. Mindful of the Synod on Youth, the theme and sub-themes are very much directed to the young people in our schools, especially in their growth in holiness and their formation as disciples of Christ through the discernment of their vocational pathways. In the section of *Renewing the Promise* entitled, "A Community that Forms Joyful Disciples," we read, "Our Catholic schools help to form joyful disciples as hearts and minds are opened to the transforming love of God and to the flame of faith in action. On a daily basis, Catholic schools demonstrate the joy of believing and witness the Good News to the communities that they serve.

"The CEW biblical quote is "Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy."1 Peter 1:8