



Passion Sunday (Palm Sunday)

Together With Mary We Live the Eucharist

“Eucharistic Heart of Jesus, may your kingdom come through the Immaculate Heart of Mary.”
“Eucharistic Heart of Jesus, burning with love for us, set our hearts on fire with love for you.”

Mass Intentions

- Saturday, March 15th, Solemnity of Saint Joseph**
 9:00 am For the special intentions of a friend by the Urlocker/Lalonde family
 4:30 pm For the special Intentions of the Parishioners by the Pastor
- Sunday, March 16th, Palm Sunday**
 9:00 am For the special intentions of Atreyu & Hazel Archambault and family by the Bakers
 10:45 pm For the repose of the soul of Francis Rowan by Dianne McCauley
- Tuesday, March 18th**
 7:00 pm Mass Cancelled
- Wednesday, March 19th**
 9:00 am For the repose of the soul of Louise Giordano By the staff at St. Thomas
- Thursday March 20th, Holy Thursday**
 7:00 pm For the repose of the soul of Phil Bourassa by the Urlocker/Lalonde family
- Friday, March 21st, Good Friday**
 3:00 am For the repose of the soul of Grace Bouwhuis by the Bouwhuis family
- Saturday, March 22nd, Holy Saturday**
 8:00 pm For the healing of Monica Baker by Brenda & Mike Sliva
- Sunday, March 23rd, Easter Sunday**
 9:00 am For the repose of the soul of Michael Jarzab by his family
 10:45 am For the intentions of the Parishioners by the Pastor

THIS WEEK AT OUR LADY'S

- Sun., Mar 16th: Baptisms - 12:00 pm.
 Wed., Mar 19th: Pot Pourri, 7-9:30 pm.
 Sat., Mar 22nd: Altar server practice for Easter 10 am.
 RCIA rehearsal, 11 am. & RCIA First Reconciliation. Easter Vigil Mass 8:00 pm
 Reception to follow for RCIA candidates, Hall

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES:

- Tues., Mar 25th: RCIA Mystagogia 7:30 pm. Hall
 Thurs., Mar 27th: KOC general meeting - 7:30 pm. Hall
 Fri., Mar 28th: Grade three class from MTCS attend Mass
 Sat., Mar 29th: Young Men's Group 5:30 pm.

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

On this Passion Sunday when we are also collecting for the Development and Peace, I would like to say a few words about my upcoming Mission trip to El Salvador and Honduras (April 28th-May 6th) (This is a repeat from last week's unread bulletin!). As many of you know, I have been to El Salvador six times, but I have decided to also visit Honduras, since I have heard from the people at Canadian Food for Children that this particular mission can offer excellent opportunities for youth to serve our poor brothers and sisters in the "Third World." If all goes well, we can look ahead to planning a parish mission trip in 2009.

Every year I have been to El Salvador I hand out money to many of the poor families I have come to know over the years, many of whom had children who spent time in the local hospital for malnourished children. We have also given donations in the past to the nearby orphanage. If anyone were to entrust a donation to me, I will gladly pass it on to the poor. I am currently emailing a sister in El Salvador to ask her about other ways we could help.

I would also like to share with you that it is always a difficult decision for me to actually get up and go on a mission trip. It is easier to stay home, or lay on a beach in Cancun and have the poor serve us! But I know I wouldn't be happy doing that, and every time I do try to reach out to the poor, the Lord blesses me with more life, joy and gratitude for what He has given to me. I will keep you posted.

Sincerely in Christ,
 Fr. Tim

♦ ALTAR SERVERS: THIS WEEKEND'S SCHEDULE

	1st Server	2nd Server	Cross Bearer
Sat., Mar. 15 th			
4:30 pm	Hillary	Jacob	Ben
Sun., Mar. 16 th			
9:00 am	Gordon	Grant	Nicholas
10:45 am	Ben	Caitlin	Cameron

Easter Celebration

Thur., Mar. 20 th - Holy Thursday				
7:00 pm	Richard	Luke	Melissa	Alex
Fri., Mar 21 st - Good Friday				
3:00 pm	Hillary	Nicholas		
Sat., Mar 22 nd - Holy Saturday				
8:00 pm	Daniel	Michael	Hillary	Alex
Sun., Mar 23 rd - Easter				
9:00 am	Richard	Luke	Melissa	Nicholas
10:45 am	Gordon	Grant	Eva	Emily

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HOLY WEEK WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Palm Sunday	March 16	Sat 4:30 pm, Sun 9:00 & 10:45 am.
Holy Thursday	March 20	7:00 pm.
Good Friday	March 21	3:00 pm.
Easter Vigil	March 22	8:00 pm.
(Please note there is no 4:30 pm. Mass today only)		
Easter Sunday	March 23	9:00 & 10:45 am.



Dave Phillips, Justin McKenna, Monica Baker, Jack Tyo, John Lacelle and Eric Shea. (If you would like a name added to this list please call the office.)



COFFEE SUNDAY: We Serve Fair Trade Coffee! Please remember this is a service to the parish. It is your donations that will keep it viable.

9:00 am hosted by Marriage Prep.
10:45 am hosted by KOC

◆ **CWL BURSARY:** Applications are now available for the CWL \$300 Bursary being offered to a graduating Grade 12 student parishioner of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Parish who will be pursuing post secondary studies at a Canadian College or University. Please contact Bursary Committee Chair Heather Sisk for more information. Application deadline is April 30, 2008.

YOUR OFFERINGS

March 8/9, 2008 - \$1454.15.

Thank you for your generosity & support.

◆ **GOOD FRIDAY WAY OF THE CROSS-** March 21st at 10:00 am. The Churches of Russell (including OLMM!) are hosting our annual Way of the cross procession, starting at the arena. Hope to see you there.

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◆ **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 for this is March 16, 2008

◆ **MIRIAM CENTRE:** You can support the centre's work with pregnant women by donating your Canadian Tire money (By placing it in the envelope attached to the CWL bulletin board in the hall).

◆ **PARISH TELEVISION:** Anyone who may have a television in good condition with DVD hook up's that they wish to donate please call Kristine in the office, as the Parish television is no longer in working condition. (613-445-3054)

◆ **FOUNDATION WORK AT OLMM:** Parishioners may notice some digging at the back of the Church in the coming weeks. Mr. Foundation is repairing a leak in our foundation. In the spring, for three of the past four years, we have had flooding through the bathrooms into the hall. During the thaw this February, we spent three days vacuuming up the water. Needless to say this problem is not going to go away on its own. We do not want any further damage to our new carpet, nor increase the possibility of mold developing, a problem about which our Catholic insurance representative has warned us. The work is necessary, and comes at a cost of \$6 800. Thanks be to God we have money in the bank to cover this, but of course any donation would be gladly accepted.

Fr. Tim

◆ **ALMS FOR THE POOR BOX:** Donations for our Alms for the Poor Box for the months of January, February & March will be donated to Ronald McDonald House. THANK YOU!

◆ **ST. THOMAS AQUINAS HIGH SCHOOL** will be hosting a Grade 7,8 &9 Open House on Wednesday, March 26, 08 at 7 pm. Web Site: www.sta-russell.com

BULLETIN DEADLINE: TUESDAY NOON to Church Office: email olmm@bellnet.ca or fax 613-445-9839.
