FOURTH SUNDAYS OF LENT

Diocesan Theme "The Word of God grew and multiplied." *Parish Theme* "Though Many We Are One Body in Christ."

Mass Intentions Saturday, March 17th 4:30 pm For the intentions of Donna McKlusky Sunday, March 18th 9:00 am For the repose of the soul of Mr. Moreau by Ted & Diane Godwin 10:45 am For the special intentions of the Parishioners by the Pastor Tuesday, March 20th 7:00 pm For the 15th Birthday intentions of Joshua Steele by his Family Wednesday, March 21st Mass at St. Thomas 9:00 am No In tention Thursday, March 22nd 9:00 am No Intention Friday, March 16th 9:00 am No Intention Saturday, March 23rd 4:30 pm For the intentions of the Parishioners by the Pastor Sunday, March 24th 9:00 am For the repose of the soul of Paul Beaupre by the James 10:45 am For the intentions of Emanuel Montojo Matthew Holmes, Isaac Berkers, Douglas Beaudin, Monica Baker,

IN OUR PRAYER

Matthew Holmes, Isaac Berkers, Douglas Beaudin, Monica Baker, Florence Grant, Jack Clarke, Julie Lefebvre, Micheline Gray, Laura M., Shawn

English, and Justin McKenna.

If you would like your name added to this list please call the office.

~**PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY**: Inquiries call Joyce 613-445-0536 or Faith 613-445-5691

`KNOWLEDGE IS POWER`

OVARIAN CANCER CANADA PRESENTATION BY MONICA BAKER Thursday, March 29th 2012 at 7:30 pm. in the Church Hall. Giving up cancer for Lent will be an information session on Ovarian Cancer, and how to be proactive about your health, some exercise tips and a whole lot of fun. There will be a sign up sheet in the foyer after Mass.

Please bring to the session, two 10 oz. / 284 cans that can be used as hand weights and after the presentation will be donated to the food bank.

PASTORS CORNER

"Rejoice, Jerusalem...and be joyful." (Is. 66:10-11)

The above invitation, culled from the entrance antiphon, sets the tone for today's liturgy. The fourth Sunday of Lent is usually called "Laetare Sunday". Laetare means "Rejoice" in Latin. Therefore, this day is a day of rejoicing, of celebration; a day on which the austerity of Lent is lessoned. "Be joyful all who are in mourning."

Hope in the Lord

Life can be really challenging. We sometimes are faced with difficult situations either in our relationships; economic hardships, struggling to make ends meet, or it could be the loss of a loved one. In the face of these challenging situations, we are certain of one thing: the love of God, which is poured out to us in Christ Jesus. It is not the will of God that we perish, for "God did not send the son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him." In our tribulations, in our sorrow, in our brokenness, let us think of today's gospel passage. God loves us even more than we love ourselves!

Sacraments

Two weeks ago, 33 children from our parish made their first confession. This is a major step in their faith journey. We would like to congratulate these children, their teachers and parents for their hard work and commitment. And please continue to keep them and their families in your prayers as they prepare for their first communion, to receive Jesus in the Eucharist. This will be taking place in our parish in the following dates: April 15 (9:00am mass), April 22 (10:45am mass), April 29 (10:45am mass) and May 6 (10:45am mass)

May our lives be filled with the love and peace of Christ!

Fr. Paul

MARCH 18TH - MARCH 25TH

Tuesday, March 20th Reconciliation at MTCS 9:00 am - 2:00 pm gr 3-6 ~Adult Choir Practice 7:30 pm, RCIA 7:30 pm Wednesday, March 21st

~Sacramental Preparation 7:00 pm

Thursday, March 22nd

~STA Open House

Friday, March 23rd

~Stations of the Cross 7:00 pm

MARCH 25th - April 1st

Tuesday, March 27th ~Adult Choir Practice 7:30 pm, RCIA 7:30 pm Wednesday, March 28th ~Sacramental Preparation 7:00 pm

Thursday, March 29th

~7:30 pm 'Knowledge is Power" Talk in the Hall Friday, March 30th

~Stations of the Cross 7:00 pm

<u>YOUR OFFERINGS FOR</u> March 11, 2012 - \$3118.60

Thank you for your continued generosity to our parish. It is appreciated!

TAX RECEIPTS: Your 2011 tax receipts are available to be picked up in the foyer. Please verify your name, and address (including postal code) so that our records can be updated and maintained.

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS WILL BE SERVING

BREAKFAST next Sunday, March 25th, after both Masses downstairs in the church hall. In addition to our traditional breakfast, our menu will include delicious omelettes stuffed with your favorite toppings from our omelette bar. The cost is \$7 for adults, \$4 for children, or \$24 for families. Come and enjoy good food and fellowship.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Applications are available to any graduating grade 12 student of our parish for the annual CWL Student Bursary award of \$300.00. Please contact Donna McKlusky, Bursary Committee Chairperson at 613-445-3250 for more information or to get an application. Deadline for completed applications is April 30, 2012.

EASTER FLOWERS: 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.

LENT 2012

"REPENT AND BELIEVE IN THE GOSPEL" LENT AND HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

> STATIONS OF THE CROSS Fridays at 7:00 pm

March 23 ~led by the Altar Servers March 30 ~Led by the PPC & R.C.I.A Group

Parish Mission Saturday - Monday March 24 - 26 Parish Penance Service Monday, March 26 7:00 pm Share Lent Collection Sunday, March 25

CHRISM MASS is celebrated this Tuesday April 3rd, 7:30 pm. at the Notre-Dame Cathedral. A reception will follow in the Cathedral Hall and all are invited to attend. We encourage Parishioners to attend.

SPECIAL COLLECTION: FIFTH

SUNDAY IN LENT, March 24th & 25th: Next Sunday is Solidarity Sunday, when parishes dedicate their collection to Development and Peace, the international development agency of the Canadian Catholic Church. Through Development and Peace, you can watch your gift grow in the hands of those with the least in Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Middle East. This year, you may want to consider joining Share Lent Year-Round, the monthly giving program of Development and Peace.

PARISH GARAGE SALE FUNDRAISER

Saturday, April 14th starting at 8 am Rain or Shine in the Parish parking lot. Dropping off of items will start on Tuesday, April 10th. Please contact the office for details if you would like to be a part of this fundraiser. We welcome all donations of good quality items, baking, picking up of large items with trailer/truck, or helping on the day of the sale.. All items will be donated after the fundraiser unless arrangements have been made prior to the sale. For information please contact the office at 613-445-3054.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY will be cancelled March 18 (March Break), March 25 (K of C Breakfast) and April 8th (Easter).

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 1 week, please sign up on the sheet located on the table in the foyer. Many graces will surely follow.

"Under Mary's protection we shall have nothing to fear." words of St. Marguerite Bourgeoys

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