

FIFTH SUNDAY 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 24th

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

Sunday, March 25th

9:00 am For the repose of the soul of Paul Beaupre by the James

10:45 am For the intentions of Emanuel Montojo

Tuesday, March 27th

7:00 pm For the repose of the soul of George Teves by the James Family

Wednesday, March 28th Mass at St. Thomas

9:00 am No Intention

Thursday, March 29th

8:00 pm No Intention

Friday, March 30th

3:00 pm For the healing of Annette Dawson by the Parish

Saturday, March 31st

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

Sunday, April 1st

9:00 am For the repose of the soul of Paul Beaupre by the James

10:45 am For the intentions of Emanuel Montojo

PASTOR'S CORNER

Jesus, in obedience to the Father's will, accepted to die a shameful death on the cross so that we might enjoy the fullness of life.

Grain of Wheat

We are in the final days of Lent. Today's liturgy, in a sense, serves as a prelude to the Holy Week and the Sacred Triduum when we celebrate the passion, death and the glorious resurrection of our Lord. Christ's teaching in today's gospel centres on the fact that eternal life comes through death. And so, as it is with Jesus, so it is with us, the way to glory is death to self; dying to our will to allow the will of God to prevail. I think it was Ghandi who once said that "the best way to live is to die to self in the service of others." Jesus in the gospel said: "And I, when I am lifted up, I will draw all people to myself. What wonderful words of comfort and strength for those of us who believe!

Lenten Mission/Penance Service

Please join me in welcoming Fr. Ben St. Croix of the Companions of the Cross who is our parish mission preacher. As part of our Lenten program, our Lenten mission prepares us for the celebration of the great mystery of our salvation. This mission includes our Lenten Penitential Service on Monday March 26th at 7 pm which will conclude with individual confessions. Since there will be no confessions before the Holy Thursday mass and indeed during the Triduum, this will be the best opportunity to prepare ourselves for these great events of our salvation.

May these final days of Lent draw us more deeply into the mystery of Christ's love.

Fr. Paul

IN OUR PRAYER



Annette Dawson, 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

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.

March 25, 2012

THIS WEEK

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 with Monica Baker

Friday, March 30th

- Stations of the Cross 7:00 pm

NEXT WEEK

Tuesday, April 3rd

- Adult Choir Practice 7:30 pm
- Chrism Mass at Notre Dame Cathedral 7:30 pm

Wednesday, April 4th

- Sacramental Preparation 7:00 pm

YOUR OFFERINGS FOR March 18, 2012 - \$2980.00

*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.

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS WILL BE SERVING

BREAKFAST this Sunday, 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.

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.

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.

LENT 2012

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

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Fridays at 7:00 pm

March 30 -Led by the PPC & R.C.I.A Group

Parish Penance Service

Monday, March 26 7:00 pm

Share Lent Collection

Sunday, March 25

CHRISM MASS is celebrated on 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.

ARE YOU celebrating 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 40, 50, 60 or more years of marriage in 2012? If so you may want to take part in the celebration on May 6 at 2:30 pm at Notre Dame Cathedral. Archbishop Prendergast will celebrate mass. Please complete a registration form found on our parish bulletin board at the back of the church. Deadline to register is April 26.

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.

OTHER INFORMATION RECEIVED

RUSSELL LEGION: There will be a special presentation by the Russell Legion on **March 28th at 10:00 a.m.** after the Mass, which will be held at 9:00a.m. for our students who are part of the Vimy 2012 tour. The tour banner that was made will also be unveiled at this time along with a presentation by the Russell Legion. We invite you to attend this special event.

Anyone seeking to serve the township through prayer and intercession are most welcome to join an ecumenical group of Christians who serve twice a month at the Township Council meetings on the 1st and 3rd Monday of the month.

Teams of two attend the Council meetings and every team only has to attend once every 3 months.

If you are interested in joining this group please call or e-mail Pastor Vinita Baker at: 613-445-3233 or e-mail her at: vinita_baker@hotmail.com