

Divine Mercy Sunday~Year C

Diocesan Theme "Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful" (Luke 6.36)

The family, home of love and mercy.

Parish Mission Statement: "LOVE GOD, LOVE OTHERS, MAKE DISCIPLES"

Mass Intentions

Saturday, April 2nd

4:30 pm For the repose of the souls of Ken Woods and Brody Ostrom by the Woods family

Sunday, April 3rd ~ Divine Mercy Sunday

9:00 am For the repose of the soul of Ron Payment by the CWL

10:45 am For the intentions of the parishioners by the Pastor

Tuesday, April 5th

7:00 pm

Wednesday, April 6th ~at STA

9:00 am

Thursday, April 7th ~St. John Baptist De La Salle

9:00 am

Friday, April 8th

9:00 am For the repose of the soul of Arturo Lopez senior by the Dupuis/Lopez family

Saturday, April 9th

4:30 pm For the repose of the soul of Mary Groot-Lipman by the Groot-Lipman family

Sunday, April 10th ~Third Sunday of Easter

9:00 am For the repose of the soul of Deacon Jeremy Tyrrell by the Patterson family

10:45 am For the repose of the soul of Allison Bowring by the Di Bartolo family.

YOUR OFFERINGS FOR

March 27th, 2016 = \$4,634.70

Thank you for your generosity and support

INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER FOR APRIL: That small farmers may receive a just reward for their precious labor. That Christians in Africa may give witness to love and faith in Jesus Christ amid political-religious conflicts.

~IN OUR PRAYERS~

For the sick among our families and friends especially:
Trish McNulty, Claudette Pare

Pastor's Corner

The glorious resurrection of Christ not only gives us joy, peace and hope, it also gives meaning to our earthly existence.

The Peace of Christ

We hear one of the most fascinating post-resurrection appearances of Jesus to the disciples in today's gospel. Heart-broken and distraught, the apostles locked themselves up in a room for fear of the Jews. The risen Jesus appeared to them and greeted them: "Peace be with you!" Like the apostles we are gathered today and we could hear Him say to us individually "Peace be with you"! Today Christ comes to us personally proclaiming peace; peace in every heart, peace in every home, peace in our world!

"Receive the Holy Spirit..."

Today is Divine Mercy Sunday. Thanks be to God who, in His infinite goodness and mercy, sent His only begotten Son to die for our sins. It is in the death and resurrection of Christ that we see the immensity of God's love and mercy. We experience this unfathomable mercy of God in a special way in the confessional. Jesus himself gives us these powerful words through St. Faustina: "When you approach the confessional, know this, that I myself I'm waiting there for you. I am only hidden by the priest for I myself act in your soul. Here the misery of the soul meets the God of mercy. Every time you go to confession, immerse yourself entirely in my mercy with great trust so that I may pour the bounty of my peace upon your soul."

First Holy Communion

Beginning Sunday, April 3rd and continuing through April 24th at the 10:45 am mass, we will be celebrating First Communion for groups of about 8-10 children. The first 4-5 pews on both sides of the church will be assigned to each family. We completely understand that following this arrangement, some people will be "displaced." We crave your understanding as we celebrate and rejoice with our children on this significant step in their faith journey.

May our lives be filled with God's mercy!

Fr. Paul

CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE at www.olmm.ca

Email: admin@olmm.ca

April 3rd, 2016

**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

Tuesday, April 5th

~ Adult choir~7:30~church

~RCIA~7:30~kitchen

Wednesday, April 6th

~Edge youth group~6:30-8:00pm~hall

Thursday, April 7th

~K of C general meeting~7:30~hall

Sunday, April 10th

~First communion~10:45 mass

NEXT WEEK AT OUR LADY'S

Tuesday, April 12th

~ Adult choir~ 7:30~church

~RCIA~7:30~kitchen

Wednesday, April 13th

~Edge youth group~6:30-8:00pm~ hall

Thursday, April 14th

~CWL general meeting~7:00pm~hall

~K of C executive meeting~7:30 pm~kitchen

NEW EVANGELIZATION SUMMIT: Equipping Catholics to witness to our faith with family and friends. The New Evangelization Summit is being held in Ottawa April 15 & 16 this year to help equip pastors, pastoral workers and lay faithful in the mission of the New Evangelization. Learn from leading experts how to become more effective in sharing the Gospel in our contemporary society. Priests who register online at newevangelization.ca receive a special discount. Speakers include Angele Regnier on Actually Evangelizing: Best Practices in sharing Christ so that People can Respond, Christopher West on Theology of the Body and the New Evangelization, Bishop Christian Riesbeck CC on Key Principles of Parish Renewal: A Pastor's Experience, Sherry Weddell on Parish Renewal: The Fruit of Forming Intentional Disciples, Fr. Cantalamessa on The Holy Spirit and the New Evangelization, Dr. Peter Kreeft on The Big Three Questions (Looking at the three questions an evangelist must be able to answer in our postmodern culture) and Michael Dopp on Living our Mission.

Please be advised that the lockbox code will be changed on April 15th. Please call the office for the new code.

OLMM Mercy in Action

March - Instruct the Ignorant & Admonish Sinners

Pray: Lord, give me the strength and the zeal to explain the faith to those who are confused, don't fully understand, or have misconceptions. Give me the words to share your truth with great love. Amen.

Take Action:

- commit yourself to learning about the Catholic faith and share your understanding of the faith with others.
- share your insights, knowledge, and skills with others.
- read a book from the OLMM Spiritual Library and then recommend it to a friend.
- be courageous yet compassionate in calling people and institutions to be faithful to Gospel values.
- intervene in situations in which people are clearly doing harm to themselves or others.
- respond to negative and prejudicial comments with positive statements.
- put an end to gossip by walking away; set a good example for others.
- invite friends, family, and others to join you in going to the Sacrament of Confession.

Legion of Mary Spring Retreat

In honour of the Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy, the Legion of Mary is hosting a silent retreat at La Maison de la Providence in Orleans from Friday May 27th to Sunday May 29th 2016. Father Andrew Quarshie will be the retreat master and the theme is ***Devotion to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus***. Please call Johanne Walsh at 613-226-3279 for more information and to register.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS OF

THANKSGIVING: Notre Dame Cathedral, **Sun., May 1, 2:30 p.m.** For couples celebrating 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 40, 50, 60 + years of marriage in 2016. Families & friends are most welcome. Registration details now available in parishes. Deadline to register: Wed., April 20.

A SPECIAL THANK-YOU to everyone who donated for the Easter flowers, in memory of a loved one. It had enabled us to make our church so very beautiful for this Easter season.