

Fourth Sunday of Lent~Year A

Diocesan Theme: THE FAMILY: HOME OF LOVE, MERCY AND JOY.

"The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace..." (Galatians 5.22)

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

Mass Intentions

Saturday, March 25th

4:30 pm For the repose of the soul of Bea Mascaro by the James family

Sunday, March 26th -Fourth Sunday of Lent

9:00 am For the repose of the soul of Claudette Pare by Gerry & Pat Resell

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

Tuesday, March 28th

7:00 pm

Wednesday, March 29th

8:30 am~at STA

Thursday, March 30th

9:00 am For the healing intentions of Michele Hundtermark by Heather Sisk

Friday, March 31st

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

Saturday, April 1st

4:30 pm For the repose of the souls of Sheila and Aldo Barbesin by the James family

Sunday, April 2nd ~Fifth Sunday of Lent

9:00 am For the intentions of the Doyle family by the Kupferschmidt family

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

YOUR OFFERINGS FOR

March 19th, 2017~\$ 3,153.00

Thank you for your generosity and support

INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER FOR MARCH:

That persecuted Christians may be supported by the prayers and material help of the whole Church.

~IN OUR PRAYERS~

For the sick among our families and friends especially:

Margaret Robertson, Addie Pittman,
Marthe Lepine, Alyssa Gauthier and
Melanie Joannette.

CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE at www.olmm.ca

Email: admin@olmm.ca

Pastor's Corner

"Rejoice, Jerusalem...be joyful all who are mourning." (Is. 66:10-11)

The fourth Sunday of Lent is traditionally known as "Laetare Sunday". Laetare is the Latin word for "Rejoice". Therefore, this day is a day of rejoicing. Why? Because our salvation, our liberation, from sin and death, is close at hand. When we think of the love that God our Father has lavished upon us by letting us be called His children and by sending His Son as an atonement for our sins, we cannot but be filled with joy. In Jesus, the only begotten Son of God, the one sent by God to open the eyes of the blind, we see the merciful face of God. This is a thing of great joy...may this joy never depart from our lives!

Lenten Mission

Please join us from Monday, April 3rd to Wednesday April 5th for our parish lenten mission on the theme: "The Purpose of Christian Life." I hope you will arrange your family schedule in such a way that you and your family would be part of what promises to be a great experience. Our guest speaker this year will be Fr. Martin Farrell, OP. He will be preaching at all masses this weekend. All will be happening at OLMM church. Hope to see you all!

May our lives always radiate the mercy and love of God!

Fr. Paul



March 26th, 2017

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

Mon. March 27th~Rosary making group
~7:00 -8:30pm in the hall
Tues. March 28th~Adult choir~7:30~church
Tues. March, 28th~First communion class~6:00-7:00
pm~hall
Wed. March 29th~Edge youth group~6:30-
8:30pm~hall
Thurs. March 30th~Confirmation class~6:00pm-
7:00pm~hall

MINISTRY SHORTAGE AT 9:00 A.M. MASS

The number of sacristans, ushers and extraordinary ministers of the eucharist at the 9:00 a.m. mass has dwindled. If anyone would like to serve God and your parish by becoming involved in any of these ministries please contact Heather Sisk at heatherasisk@gmail.com or at [613-443-2870](tel:613-443-2870).

The church is in need of reliable counters for the weekly collections. If you can spare about an hour every second week please call the office. Thank you.

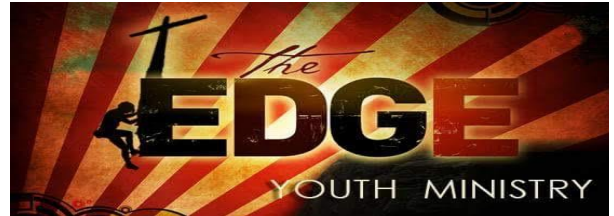
"MAN OF THE SHROUD" EXHIBIT: At St. Isidore Church, Kanata, **April 4-11**. Life-sized authentic reproduction of the "Shroud of Turin" and 30+ display panels citing historical, scientific and theological information about The Shroud. Daily seminars for students and adults; please call (613-435-3076). Free; donations graciously accepted. Made possible by the Vancouver Shroud Association, the Archdiocese of Ottawa and the generous support of St. Isidore parishioners. Opening Mass: April 4, 9:00 a.m.; exhibit opens to the public each day at 10:00 a.m. Archbishop Terrence Prendergast SJ will celebrate Mass during the display on Palm Sunday at 11:00 a.m. Everyone is welcome. Info: (www.theshroud.org).

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS OF THANKSGIVING:

Notre Dame Cathedral, **Sun., May 14, 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. Forms must be returned before May 3rd, 2017-03-22. Registration forms are available on the bulletin board beside the side entrance.

PLEASE JOIN US EVERY FRIDAY DURING LENT FOR THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS~AT 7:00PM

March 31 - Led by the EDGE
April 7 - Led by the KoC



March 29 - Guess what, marriage is not only about the lovey-dovey moments that TV and movies tell us it is. Want to know what it's really like? Want to get the real details about what love looks like? Come join us at the EDGE, as our married guests come with their kids and share with us about their own love story and testimony about how God called them to become parents and spouses.

Call for Conscience Campaign seeks to include conscience protection in provincial legislation with regard to Medical Assistance In Dying (MAID). It asks MPP's to support amendments to Bill 84 that would provide robust conscience protection for health care workers and create a care coordination service, which protects both patients and health care workers. Let your MPP know your views **asap** using the tool at: <http://www.canadiansforconscience.ca/ontario>

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. Cut off date for donations will be April 9th.

Applications are available to any student of our parish currently in their graduating year or within one year of graduating from grade 12 for the annual CWL bursary award of \$400.00. For more information and/or to obtain an application form please refer to the parish web site or after March 28 contact Mary Payment, Bursary Committee Chairperson at [613-496-1170](tel:613-496-1170). Deadline for completed applications is April 30, 2017.

HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS: If you have a family member who is homebound and would like to receive the Holy Eucharist please notify the parish