

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Follow me and I will make you fishers of people."

January 22, 2012

† Masses this week at St. Michael's Year B Psalter Week III

Mon. January 23

12:05 pm † **Tony DePinto**
-Marg & Family

Tues. January 24 St. Francis de Sales

12:05 pm † **John Dolan**
-Greg McCullough

Wed. January 25

7:00 pm † **Henk Van de Haar**
-Fred & Colette Stegmayer

Thurs. January 26 St. Timothy & St. Titus

12:05 pm † **Jadwiga & Mikolaj Mazur**
-Muir Family

Fri. January 27

10:00 am Mass at Extendicare
12:05 pm † **Alphonsus Lamble**
-Legion of Mary

Saturday, January 28

5:00 pm † **Gerard Marchand**
-Agnes & Family

Sunday, January 29

9:00 am † **Ed Bibeau**
-Bob & Catherine Robertson

11:00 am **Missa Pro Populo**

Next Weekend's Readings: **3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

1st: Deuteronomy 18.15-20

2nd: 1 Corinthians 7.32-35 Gospel Mark 1.21-28

Mass Intentions this weekend –Jan. 22

5:00 pm † **Bill Delong** -The Family
9:00 am **Missa Pro Populo**
11:00 am † **Marguerite & Gordon Beckman** -Pat & Dennis

Gospel Background

Jesus came to announce to all men the good news of God's eternal plan for them. He spent his public life convincing men of the truth of this message, and he died on the cross because he claimed that he was God's divine Son, who had come to raise all men to the status of adopted sons of God. He conquered death and was raised from the grave to prove that we too, if we accept his divine gospel and live by it, will be raised from the dead and reign with Christ in the kingdom of his Father forever. It is the doctrine for which he gave his human life and which he gave to his Apostles to hand down to all future generations. This same doctrine is preached by Christ's Church to all men. It is the good news of God's mercy and love toward us. We Christians can be the happiest people on earth, if we live according to the divine good news revealed to us through Christ. "Repent and believe in the gospel." This same call goes out from our loving Savior to each of us today: repent—change your outlook on life—and see it as God sees it to be for us, a short journey toward heaven. If we really believe in the gospel of Christ, the revelation of God's plan for our eternal happiness, our earthly troubles will look small, our trials and temptations will appear to us as they really are—a means of earning the eternal victory. Christ, the innocent victim for our salvation, has gone before us, carrying his heavy cross; can we refuse to carry the relatively lighter cross which he places on our shoulders as our means of making atonement for our own failings and for those of our fellowmen? God forbid that we should! If we have failed in the past, let us repent today and show our belief in the truth of the Christian gospel, by living as true Christians who are on their way to heaven

"Therefore we must say simply that, in this life, every sin can be blotted out by true Penance." - St. Thomas Aquinas (Summa Theologiae on Penance)

Prayers for the Sick

Rose McCormick, Bill King, Bernard Boulerville, Lyn Smith, Lenore Convey, Dianne Schertzing, Lois Walton, John Vanderwell, Shirley Franks, Ocean Anderson, Jemima King, Anne Auger-Wilcox, Marlene Kempthorne, Elaine, Diane & Barney Pritchard, Joseph McCaul, Brigid Williams, Emily Notaro, Monique Desjardins, Otto Buitenweg, Theresa Ferguson, Lillian Guiry, Lorna Watts, Jimmy McCoy, Richard Philips, Jen McEwen, Laura Dickson, Rene Gallagher, Greg Heenan, Jim Connolly, Marie Solomon, Lisa Sampson, Richard Philips, Mary Beyette, Noreen Mark, Antoinette Brisson, Stan Johnston, Fred Williams, Diane Bartlett *May the healing hands of the Lord touch them.*

Altar Server Notice: Every Saturday, Altar Servers will meet at **11:00 am to 1:00 pm** in the Church. Pizza and drinks will be provided!

Events/Meetings This Week

Tues. 24—12:30 pm Legion of Mary in Parish Centre
Thurs. 26—1:00 pm Senior Euchre at Columbus Community Centre

☞ Summary of Your Generosity for Jan.15 \$4291.00



CANADIAN CATHOLIC ORGANIZATION FOR

Development and Peace

Last Sunday you were asked to sign a petition card to show solidarity to those in the Third World.

Thank you to those who took the time to sign the Development and Peace cards regarding the Sustainable Farming in the Global South. 150 cards were signed; it is never too late to do so. Blank cards are available at the entrance of the Church. Just complete and put in the offertory basket.

Also, anyone wishing to join the Development and Peace Parish Committee would be most welcome. Your ideas and assistance would be appreciated. Please contact the Parish Office 905 372-6844 or myself, Sr. Helen, 905 372- 2741. Thank you.

D & P Share Lent Workshop –Feb. 4

BACK FROM THE HORN OF AFRICA

All are welcome to this workshop on Sat. Feb. 4 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm at St. Anne's Parish Centre, Peterborough. Guest speaker is Gilio Brunelli, D&P International Programs Director. He travelled to the Horn of Africa this past November. Come and join as he shares stories from his travels and the good news about what D&P is doing to fight the famine thanks to the support of Catholics in Canada. Learn what you can do to support Development and Peace this coming Lent.

Light lunch provided. RSVP to 705 745-0929

St. Vincent de Paul Society

St. Michael's Conference Annual Report

In 2011 we assisted 665 families in our community helping 884 adults and 667 children which included our Christmas Hamper program. Total income from monthly collections and donations was \$23,192.00. Expenditures were \$26,522.00 which included charitable works of food, lodging, transportation and other assistance. To make up for the shortfall, additional funds were obtained from the Lakeshore Particular Council which operates a store in Bowmanville.

We thank you for your generosity in 2011 and hope that we can continue to count on you in this work of charity. We remember our benefactors in our prayers and ask that you remember the Society and those we serve in your prayers.

Blessed John Paul II Youth Group

All youth, grade 8 and higher, are invited to our Blessed John Paul II Youth Group. This group meets the 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month. (Jan. 14 & 28) Come out and enjoy activities, prayer and discussion. We meet in the Church at 7:00 pm, followed by activities in St. Michael's School gym and return to Parish Centre for food and refreshments.

Camp Northern Lights Collection Next Weekend January 28/29

Next weekend, people will be at the back of the Church collecting for Camp Northern Lights after all Masses. This Camp provides a wilderness camping experience for children from the Peterborough, Cobourg, Port Hope, Bowmanville and Lindsay areas. The Camp also provides a leadership experience for high school students from the same locales as volunteer counsellors. For further information call Camp Director, Fr. Bill Moloney at 705 745-3229.

Next Fundraising Event!!!

Hopefully you've scanned last week's bulletin insert with regards to the planned fundraising events. Our next parish/community event is:

Valentine's Dance on Saturday, February 11, 2012 at 7:00 pm at the Columbus Community Centre. Cost is \$15. DJ and light lunch provided. Tickets now available at Parish Office.

Sacred Heart of Peterborough

The Most Reverend Nicola De Angelis, Bishop of the Diocese of Peterborough, cordially invite you to attend the inaugural Convocation of Sacred Heart of Peterborough and the Installation of its first Officers: Chancellor, Principal, Dean of Studies, Registrar.

We will be gathering to witness and celebrate the creation of Peterborough's newest institution of higher learning on: Friday, February 3, 2012 at 7:00 pm at Sacred Heart of Peterborough, 208 Romaine Street. There will be a reception to follow in the Church Hall.

VEYOffice

The BXVI 2012 Retreat will be held February 2 - 5, 2012 at the VEYO Centre and St. Alphonsus Church, Peterborough. The retreat is open to young people 15 to 30. Registration fee is \$70. There is an additional student discount available. The cost includes all food, lectures, activities, and simple accommodations. Spaces are filling quickly so please register today! All lectures are open to the public. The topics are based on the theme of 'Mary'. Guest lecturer is Fr. Neil J. Roy, S.T.L., Ph.D. Call the VEYO Centre at 705 749-0330 to register over the phone.

Call for Young Musicians 🎵

🎵 St. Michael's Parish Recital

You are invited to come and share your talent at our first ever Youth Recital of St. Michael's Parish on February 18, 2012 at 7:00 pm at St. Michael's School in the gym. Students wishing to participate must be taking formal lessons on their instrument of choice and be prepared to perform one piece. Registration deadline is January 30. Forms are available from the Parish Office (forms also available in Sacristy) or by contacting Katie Gagne 905 377-8547. Please contact her if you have any questions.