

# Easter Sunday

## MASSES THIS WEEK AT ST. MICHAEL'S

*Psalter I*

**EASTER MONDAY, March 24**

12:05 PM † SHANNON LEES

—Jerry & Audrey Lawless

**TUES. March 25**

9:10 AM *St. Joseph's School Mass at the school*

† GORDON KELLY & JANE RAUEN

--The Kelly Family

**WED. March 26**

12:05 PM † GEORGETTE CORMIER

--Ed & Family

**THURS. March 27 @ Extendicare**

10:00 AM † PETER GALASKI —Dorothy Larocque

**THURS. March 27 Notre Dame School Mass at the school**

12:45 PM † EDGAR DAVEY --Jerry & Audrey Lawless

**FRI. March 28**

12:05 PM † ALLAN NICKERSON—his Wife

▶ **Eucharistic Adoration** following 12:05 Mass to 1:30 PM◀

**SATURDAY, March 29**

5:00 PM † FRANK HLAPOCIC

--The Family

**SUNDAY, March 30**

9:00 AM **MISSA PRO POPULO**

11:00 AM † JANICE CAMPBELL

--Rita & Branden Campbell

Next Weekend's Readings • *Divine Mercy Sunday*

1<sup>st</sup> Acts 2.42-47 2<sup>nd</sup> 1 Peter 1.3-9

Gospel. John 20.19-31

## EVENTS/MEETINGS THIS WEEK

**Tues. 25**—NO RCIA

**Tues. 25**—7:30 PM KofC Officers & Committee CCC

**Thurs. 27** – 1:00 PM Seniors Prog. Euchre at CCC

**Thurs. 27**—7:00 PM Prayer Group in Parish Centre

**Fri. 28** — 6:30 PM Men's Night at Columbus C. Cen.

## PRAY FOR THE SICK

Brian MacCracken, Charles Bateman, Andy Amelia, Bob Pickett, Gladys Reid, Hugh MacDonald, Marie Beauvais, Rosemary Roth, Matilda Eikens, Jean Boudreau, Noreen Mark, Antoinette Brisson, Joe May, Julie Black, Kim Hope, Stan Johnston, Fred Williams, Wendy Gregoriades, Denise Palermo, Anne Driscoll, Mark Martel, Trevor DeMattos, Diane Bartlett, David Wright, Lorna Watts, Shirley Ferguson, Greg Heenan, *May the Lord's healing hand touch them.*



## Reflection

Most parents have discovered by now that things aren't always as they seem. A poured out bottle of laundry detergent wasn't really mischievous behaviour, but rather an attempt to surprise you with a generous gift of service. Or secret whispers are not an attempt to hide some wrongdoing but rather an effort to plan a surprise for you. Things weren't as they seemed to Mary Magdalene either that first Easter morning. Our errors in perception often work to remind us that God's plan is not always obvious, but that we are challenged to trust in the promise of the resurrection.

## Easter Season

The seven weeks from Easter to Pentecost (May 11) are celebrated as one great feast day. St. Athanasius called them "the great Sunday." Christians sing the "Alleluia" during these days in their rejoicing.



## RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION

**RCIA will resume April 1**

**Time:** 7:00 PM in Parish Centre

**Topic:** Church teachings

**Presenter:** Sem. Tavares

## CONGRATULATIONS & WELCOME

At the Easter Vigil Saturday evening, we welcomed into our Parish Community our RCIA Candidates and our 'Home Catechism' students. To Terry Richards, Otto Buitenweg & Thomas Stavrou, who received Baptism, First Communion & Confirmation, please welcome them and keep them in your prayers. Also to Garry Fleming, Ron Parks & Dylan De Liske who were received into the full communion of the Catholic Church through Profession of Faith. Congratulations also to those students of our Home Catechism Program who were Confirmed: Michael Richards, Brittany Wilhelm, Emily & Myles Lawson and Irene & Peter Heyboer. *May we show them, by example, the power of God's love and grace. Thank you also to their faith coaches and mentors.*

## COLLECTION REPORT

∞ A Summary of Your Generosity ∞

March 16: \$5805. ▲\$1184. *more than last year!* Total Development & Peace: \$3077.37, ▲\$569. *more than last year.* Restoration Fund last week: \$1386. of which \$300. came from the 'Pyramid Coin Collector Box' at the entrance of the Church. Thank you for your support.



**EASTER** *The Meaning...* The communal character of the Eucharist emerges in a special way when it is seen as the Easter banquet in which Christ himself becomes our nourishment. In fact, "For this purpose Christ entrusted to the Church this sacrifice: so that the faithful might share in it, both spiritually, in faith and charity, and sacramentally, in the banquet of holy communion. Sharing in the Lord's Supper is always communion with Christ, who offers himself for us in sacrifice to the Father." *Dies Domini, #44*

Take a few moments and reread this article, let it become part of your being. What a wonderful gift we were given! Sem. Jerry, myself and staff, wish you and your families a Blessed Easter Season! Yours in the resurrected Lord, Fr. Vic

## Catholic Herald

*The voice of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Peterborough*

Copies of this 16 page newspaper is now available for pick up at the entrance of the Church. Bishop De Angelis' Lenten Message is one of the articles, as well as the regular columns; such as 'Parish Profile', 'Saint Profile', etc. Also the VEYO is promoting the 49<sup>th</sup> International Eucharistic Congress—Your Chance of a Lifetime. So take a moment to read what's going on in your Diocese.

## Legion of Mary

'The Acies' a branch of the Legion of Mary are having their annual meeting. A consecration to Our Lady on Sunday, April 6, 2008 at 2:00 PM at St. Peter-in-Chain, Peterborough. All members and registered auxiliaries are invited to renew their fealty to Mary, Queen of the Legion. A luncheon will follow this celebration.

## Men's Night

The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a 'Fun/Games Night' at the Columbus Community Centre, this **Friday, March 28 at 6:30 PM**. All members, and those who wish to learn more about the organization, are welcome.

## DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

**NEXT Sunday, March 30, 2008 @ 3:00 PM in St. Michael's Church**

This celebration will include Eucharistic Adoration, scripture readings, chaplet of Divine Mercy, Litany and Benediction. This is sponsored by the Knights of Columbus and they invite all parishioners to this special celebration.



## Baptism Preparation Program

On Saturday, April 5, 2008 at 1:30 PM in the Parish Centre a course will be held for those parents wishing to have their child/children baptized in the Catholic faith. You may also attend if you are expecting a child in the near future. If you have not yet registered with the office, please contact us at 905 372-6844.

**REMINDER:** The office will be closed Monday, March 24.

**BULLETIN ADVERTISERS**...please take a moment to reacquaint yourself with the services & businesses that they are providing. Please patronize them when possible.

## MURAL RESTORATION

We are still accepting orders for plaques! These can be inscribed with your family name or in memory of a loved one. See the samples at the back of the church. Cost is \$100.00 which all goes to the Restoration Fund. Contact Dorothy Ward at 905 372-3138. If in doubt about your three year pledge, please contact the office for clarification!

## Looking Ahead...

The Ladies Auxiliary Knights of Columbus are holding a 'Bake & Book Sale' on Saturday, April 26, 2008 from 9 AM to 1 PM at the Columbus Community Centre. They have tables to rent to vendors for crafts or any 'treasures' that you may have to sell. For more information about the rentals, please contact Jean Ellis at 905 372-0596 by Friday, April 18. Thank you

## FYI

Just a reminder to those using the handicapped parking. You must display your permit at all times when parked in handicapped spots. The fine for not doing so is being increased to \$450.00. So think twice about misuse!

## I believe we can make a difference

We are once again making an effort to start a Youth Group, 'I believe', for persons 12 to 20 years of age. First meeting will be held **Monday, March 31 from 7:00 to 8:30 PM** in the Parish Centre. This will be an action group full of events. Parents encourage your/our youth to come and bring a friend! Contact Katie Maguire for more info at 905 372-6476.

**Youth can make a difference!**



## Thank you

The Catholic Women's League would like to say 'THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU—to the bakers, the buyers, and the sellers. As a parish, you out did yourselves and we really appreciated all the support. The CWL Pie Sale was a huge success with over \$1000. raised in sales. We sincerely hope you enjoyed your pies! Carol Lawless on behalf of the CWL.

## Lectors & Holy Communion Extraordinary Ministers

There will be a commissioning ceremony for all those involved in the above ministries at all Mass on the weekend of April 5/6, 2008. It is important that you be present at this ceremony. Please pass the word around.