



SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – 19 FEBRUARY 2006

**“I say to you, stand up,
take your mat and go to your home.”**

(Today's Readings: Isaiah 43:18-19, 20-22, 24-25; 2 Corinthians 1:18-22; Mark 2:1-12)

Announced mass intentions...

- Sat., Feb 18 5:00PM Mass – Barbara Mallett+
- Sun., Feb. 19 **7th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
- 8:00AM Mass – Holy Cross Parishioners
- 9:30AM Mass – Majorie Dunn+
Ann Marion+
- 11:15AM Mass – Ashley Hibbard+
Laura Lavack+
Alex Walsh (Ivg)
- 7:30PM Mass – Selvina Colina+
Salve Paunel+
Angelo Dador+
- Mon., Feb. 20 12:15PM **NO** Mass
- Tues., Feb. 21 12:15PM Mass – Ella Ross+
- Wed., Feb. 22 12:15PM Mass
- Thurs., Feb. 23 12:15PM Mass – Gerta Patry+
- Fri., Feb. 24 12:15PM Mass
- Sat., Feb. 25 5:00PM Mass
- Sun., Feb. 26 **8th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
- 8:00AM Mass – Joseph Croke+
Mary Mcauley+
- 9:30AM Mass – Bridget Marianayagam+
- 11:15AM Mass – Holy Cross Parishioners
- 7:30PM Mass – Madina Toledo+
Josie Alerie+

Events Calendar

- Sat., Feb. 18 9:30AM Prayer Group – Rm. A
4:30PM Rosary – Church
- Sun., Feb. 19 9:30AM Children's Liturgy
10:30AM Children's Choir practice – Rm. A
K of C – Sale of Raffle Tickets & tickets for Pancake Breakfast
- Tues., Feb. 21 7:00PM Finance – Rm. A
7:00PM RCIA – Library
7:30PM Rosary – Church
8:00PM A.A. – Hall
- Wed., Feb. 22 7:00PM Parish Pastoral Council – Rm. A
7:30PM Choir (7:30) practice – Church
- Thurs., Feb. 23 6:30PM Christian Meditation – Rm. A
7:30PM Come Join Us at The Table #2
7:30PM Choir (11:15) practice – Church
- Sat., Feb. 25 9:30AM Prayer Group – Rm. A
4:30PM Rosary – Church
- Sun., Feb. 26 9:30AM Children's Liturgy
- Pancake Breakfast held after all morning Masses in the parish hall
Sale of Fair Trade coffee and tea at all morning Masses

We remember in our prayers the sick...

-our parishioners- Laurette Allen, Morris Anderson (husband of Joyce), Allan Brooks (husband of Gloria), Helen Charbonneau, Emile Chartrand, Clare Desjardins (husband of Alicia), Suzanne Desjardins (daughter of Leo), Ron Dexter (husband of Diane), Margaret FitzGerald, Marie Claire Grandbois, Gertrude Kennedy, Alice Haughton (wife of Bob), Frank Laturus (husband of Edwina), Eveline Lavoie, Reg MacDonald (husband of Joan), Odette MacKinnon (wife of Leo), Yolanda Miron (mother of Mina), Mary O'Connor (wife of Al), Grace & Bill Reid, Barbara Riggins, Margaret Ross, Ray Valin (husband of Betty), John Whelley

-relatives- Andy Besserer (son of Colin & Eileen), Robert W. Brown (brother of Laurence), Richard Calagoure (brother-in-law of Barbara Riggins), Patricia Esmond (mother of Liz), Sonya Fernandez (granddaughter of Xavier & Brigitta), Guy Gosselin (brother-in-law of Theresa Sarcevich), Anastasia Gorecki (sister of Theresa Sarcevich), Betty Holmes (sister of Edwina Laturus), Vivian Hunt (brother of Beryl Budzinski), Cathy Jirsch (sister of Aileen Halls), Nikhil Jose (nephew of Fr. James), Ayin & Godwin Lee (parents of Robert), Jerry Lorbitskie (brother of Dorothy Daub), Oswald Luke (father-in-law of Robert Lee), Louise MacAdam (daughter-in-law of Helen Castle), Marie Miele (mother of Christine), Donald Pajot (brother of Marc), Sonia Pereira (cousin of Marlene Braganza), Simon Schmidt (nephew of Rosemary Uren), Jonathan Seepersad (nephew of Robert Lee), Eleanor Spafford (mother of Barb Goski), Paul Sowinski (brother of Theresa Sarcevich)

WE ALSO PRAY for our RCIA Candidates: Ron Black, Eric Kramers, David Williams and Wanda Sherratt

COLLECTION REPORT

~ A Summary of Your Generosity ~

February 12 – \$4,950.08 (env.) / \$ 660.34 (loose)

Pastor's column...

PHYSICAL VS SPIRITUAL (Mk 2:1-12)

Physical healing, even doctors can bring about, but forgiveness of sins (Spiritual Healing) only God can give. The teachers of Law rightly point it out. By forgiving the sins of the paralytic at the very outset without being asked for and without any preconditions, Jesus brings God close to man. The Jews could not think of God without fear and he always kept a distance (if you see Yahweh face to face, you will die – Ex 33:20). But Jesus reverses the picture and makes the meeting with God a sweet one. So he is a loving father and the son exhibits his love in his words, in his acts. Once a Roman Emperor was marching into the city after a conquest and the soldiers were giving orders to clear the way. A small boy violated the orders and walked ahead towards the chariot. “Don't you know that it is the Emperor in the chariot?” asked a soldier. “I don't. He is my father.” It was the prince. The soldiers represent the old, the son, the new.

Parish and Community Life...

ASH WEDNESDAY on March 01 marks the beginning of Lent. We are asking parishioners to please bring in last years palms in preparation for Ash Wednesday. Please leave them in the basket provided in the entrance of the Church **no later than Sunday, February 26.** If you forget to bring them and wish to dispose of them yourself remember that they are blessed. The correct way of disposing of anything blessed is to burn, bury or consume. It is a sign of respect that these items are not put in our regular garbage.

THIS YEARS WORLD DAY OF PRAYER is entitled "*Signs of the Times*" and offers us the opportunity to share in the common worship with Christian women and men around the world and in more than 2000 communities across Canada. Please come and join our neighbours from 12 Christian Churches in Ottawa South on **Friday, March 03 at 2 p.m.** at St. Thomas the Apostle Church on Alta Vista Dr. for a meaningful worship service written by the women of South Africa. The service includes singing, reading of the Word and prayers of thanksgiving, confession and forgiveness, praise and intercession. All are welcome.

2005 TAX RECEIPTS will be available at the back of the church on the weekend of February 25/26.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

MARK YOUR CALENDARS for the Knights of Columbus' annual PANCAKE BREAKFAST after all morning Masses on Sunday, February 26. Tickets will be \$3 each with a maximum cost per family of \$10 and will be available after all Masses.

PASTORAL CARE

SPRING COURSE 2006: An Inter-Denominational Program in Pastoral Care is being offered in wheel chair accessible Dominion Chalmers United Church, 355 Cooper St. It consists of 10 sessions once a week on Mondays from 1 - 3.30 p.m. or 7 - 9 p.m. beginning on March 06 to May 08. Registration fee is \$90 and it must be in before February 27. For more information call Verna Nuttall at 821-2744 or e-mail verna@storm.ca

Please let us know if you are sick, hospitalized and/or would like a visit, Holy Communion or Parish Bulletin. Call Rick Johnston at 738-5123 or the parish office at 731-7834.

YOUTH

TAIZÉ WEEKEND OF PRAYER: On February 24-25-26, a brother from the ecumenical community of Taizé will be at Saint-Paul University to lead a weekend of prayer, sharing and fellowship. Taizé is renowned worldwide for the beauty of its songs and for its work with youth, promoting peace and unity. All prayers are opened to the public. For more information or to register call 241-7515 or visit the website at www.taizeottawa.ca.

JUST OTTAWA YOUTH (JOY): Next gathering is February 28 from 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. at St. Basil's Church. The theme is "*License for Peace: Building the Toolbox.*" All Ottawa Youth (grade 9-12), University students, and friends are welcome to check this out. For more information call Dave Perry at 288-8679 or dperry@magma.ca.

Social Action...

MISSION, PEACE, AND DEVELOPMENT

This is the final year of the three year Development and Peace (D&P) program "Water: Life Before Profit". The program with its theme "Thirsting for Justice", continues to highlight the impact of water privatization conditions that are attached to World Bank loans to developing countries. The campaign is being carried out by D&P in conjunction with Kairos, a coalition of 11 Canadian church denominations and organizations. The campaign to stop the forced privatization of water is supported by D&P's partner agencies in the developing countries of the global South. Our committee will be promoting D&P initiatives throughout Lent.

We remind you of our PARISH FOOD DRIVE to be held March 04/05.

Our Angel Makers meet again on March 03.

The March meeting of MPD has been moved ahead by one day to Monday, March 06.

Other items of interest...

Please see **FRIDAY FAX** posted in the narthex for further information.

THEOLOGY ON TAP: Topic: "Are We Raising Our Kids Catholic?" Speaker: Gerry Kupferschmidt. Date: Tuesday, February 21 at 7:30 p.m. held at Malone's Bar and Grill at Dow's Lake. For more information call 445-3054.

OUR LADY AND THE RWANDA TRAGEDY: There will be a video presentation at Saint Patrick's Basilica in the basement (use the side ramp) on Saturday, February 25 at 1 p.m. of the reported apparitions of Mary in Rwanda entitled, "Kibeho, Africa: Mary Speaks to the World." It will be followed by the Divine Mercy Chaplet and then the movie "Hotel Rwanda." There is no charge and all are welcome. For more information call Diane Naipaul at 830-0593.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT †

"The Mass, above all, is the school of love...the love of God for us, and of us for God. Mass will bring us closer and closer to God."

"Remain small, weak, and dependant totally on God. For it's in that weakness, through that weakness, that God comes."

(The Gospel Without Compromise—Moments of Grace from the writings of Catherine Doherty)

DID YOU KNOW?

Mumpsimus

That's what a person is who knows he's wrong but refuses to change, stubbornly adhering to error (which is also called a *mumpsimus*). This because of *sumpsimus*, a word in the Latin Mass meaning "we have received" (which is beside the point). Centuries ago, a certain aged priest would mumble "*mumpsimus*" for *sumpsimus*, and a certain young priest would correct him, without effect. Furthermore, in some kind of justice, what made the wrong one a *mumpsimus* made the right one a *sumpsimus*, or one who officiously insists on using a technically correct term or form instead of what's popular but incorrect. So there!

(The Catholic Source Book)