



FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT – 02 APRIL 2006

**“...unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies,
it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit.”**

(Today's Readings: Jeremiah 31:31-34; Hebrews 5:7-9; John 12:20-33)

Announced mass intentions...

Sat., Apr. 01	5:00PM Mass – Helen Connolly+
Sun., Apr. 02	Fifth Sunday of Lent 8:00AM Mass – Georgette Danis+ Rigden & Frenette Families+ 9:30AM Mass – Judie Soltan+ 11:15AM Mass – Ed Murphy+ 7:30PM Mass – Holy Cross Parishioners
Mon., Apr. 03	12:15PM NO Mass
Tues., Apr. 04	12:15PM Mass – Ella Ross+
Wed., Apr. 05	12:15PM Mass
Thurs., Apr. 06	12:15PM Mass
Fri., Apr. 07	11:00AM Adoration until 12 noon 12:15PM Mass – Bernard Leakey+
Sat., Apr. 08	5:00PM Mass – Patrick Chatelaine+ Dennis Prendergast+
Sun., Apr. 09	Palm Sunday 8:00AM Mass – Holy Cross Parishioners 9:30AM Mass – Rita & Richard Lemieux+ 11:15AM Mass 7:30PM Mass

Events Calendar

Sat., Apr. 01	9:30AM Prayer Group – Rm. A 10:30AM Choir Practice – Church 4:30PM Rosary – Church
Sun., Apr. 02	9:30AM Children's Liturgy
Mon., Apr. 03	1:00PM Potato Peelers – Hall 7:00PM Holy Cross' Lenten Mission – Mass with Marian Consecration 7:30PM K of C Executive meeting
Tues., Apr. 04	7:00PM Holy Cross' Lenten Mission – Penitential Service 7:00PM RCIA – Rm. A 8:00PM A.A. – Hall
Wed., Apr. 05	7:00PM Holy Cross' Lenten Mission – Mass with Healing Service
Thurs., Apr. 06	6:30PM Christian Meditation – Rm. A 7:00PM Come Join Us at The Table #5 7:30PM Choir (11:15) practice – Church
Fri., Apr. 07	7:00PM Stations of The Cross lead by Pastoral Care & Bereavement Committee
Sat., Apr. 08	9:30AM Prayer Group – Rm. A 10:30AM Choir Practice – Church 4:30PM Rosary – Church
Sun., Apr. 09	9:30AM Children's Liturgy

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, Germaine Denomme, 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 Laturnus (husband of Edwina), Eveline Lavoie, Reg MacDonald (husband of Joan), Odette MacKinnon (wife of Leo), Deacon Bruce McLeod, Yolanda Miron (mother of Mina), Mary O'Connor (wife of Al), Grace & Bill Reid, Barbara Riggins, Margaret Ross, Claude Thibault (husband of Geneva), Ray Valin (husband of Betty), John Whelley
-relatives- Andy Besserer (son of Colin & Eileen), Barbara Burke (mother of Margie Kennedy), 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 Sarceвич), Anastasia Gorecki (sister of Theresa Sarceвич), Betty Holmes (sister of Edwina Laturnus), Vivian Hunt (brother of Beryl Budzinski), Cathy Jirsch (sister of Aileen Halls), Marian Lane (sister of Betty Dillon), Ayin & Godwin Lee (parents of Robert), Jerry Lorbetskie (brother of Dorothy Daub), Oswald Luke (father-in-law of Robert Lee), Louise MacAdam (daughter-in-law of Helen Castle), Patricia McGowan (daughter of Ray & Betty Valin), Marie Miele (mother of Christine), Dominci O'Hara (brother of Monica Ryan), 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 Sarceвич)

We also pray for our RCIA Candidates: Ron Black, Eric Kramers, David Williams and Wanda Sherratt

Pastor's Column...

5th SUNDAY OF LENT

What seems to have made Jesus of Nazareth so distinctive in the eyes of His fellow Galileans was his intensive aliveness. Jesus' human personality was such that someone who had fallen under his spell could readily say "In Him was life". This aliveness comes only through habitual laying down of life. Death followed by resurrection, life through dying is the way things are. It is a principle of all existence. Hang on to what you have and you are lost; let go, do the necessary dying and a fuller, richer quality of life will be given to you.—John V. Taylor

Then we understand with better clarity the saying "what the caterpillar calls the end of the world, the Master calls a butterfly".

I would like to express my heartfelt thanks to all those who offered their condolences and prayers over the passing away of my beloved nephew Nikhil Jose. I treasure it very much. May his soul rest in peace.

Fr. James Raphael CMF

We **CONGRATULATE** Temia Celeste Nizzola Glendinning who joined us last weekend through the waters of baptism and the outpouring of the Holy Spirit.

WELCOME IN JESUS' NAME! We extend our hands and hearts in Christian fellowship to our newest parishioners who registered with us in March: *Amanda Gauthier, Mr. Goldsmith, Shirley Locquiao, Norman Traxle & family.*

ATTENTION PARISHIONERS—the “BIG HIT” of last year is back again...HOLY CROSS IS HAVING AN INDO-CANADIAN GALA DINNER with Mexican Dancers on **SATURDAY, MAY 13 at 6 p.m.** Cost: \$35/per person. This fundraiser is to help the parish with roof repairs. More details will follow in the upcoming bulletins.

Parish News and Community Life...

CHRISM MASS: The Chrism Mass will be celebrated on **Tuesday, April 11, 7:30 p.m.** It will be followed by a reception in the Cathedral Hall, and all the clergy, religious and faithful of the Archdiocese are cordially invited to attend.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS AND JOIN US ON MERCY SUNDAY ON SUNDAY, APRIL 23 (Second Sunday of Easter). We at Holy Cross Parish have celebrated this beautiful feast now for many years. The world is in great need of God's Mercy and we invite everyone to come and pray with us on **Sunday, April 23 at 3 p.m.** at Holy Cross Parish.

HOSPITALITY

There will be a reception in the hall after the Easter Vigil on Saturday, April 15. If you plan to attend, we invite you to bring along some wine or a food item to share with other parishioners. Further details will be in next week's bulletin.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

IT'S OUR BIRTHDAY—Holy Cross Knights of Columbus Council will be Fifteen years old on April 17 and we want you to help us celebrate! This Semi-Formal event will be celebrated on Friday, April 21 at 6 p.m. in the parish hall. Tickets are \$35/per person and can be purchased by calling George Lavack at 738-0121.

The PRAXIS POTATO PEELERS SERVICE are in **urgent need** of two or three generous people to assist with this Parish service just **one** Monday (1-3 p.m.) each month. If you can help, please call Joel Dorner at 739-0963 or Theresa Fitzgerald at 521-7674.

PASTORAL CARE

Join the Pastoral Care & Bereavement Team for the Stations of the Cross this Friday, April 07 at 7 p.m. If you need transportation to the Healing Service on Wednesday evening, call Myrnah Vullings at 737-0755.

Our Pastoral Care Team members are eager to help in any way we can. Please call Theresa Fitzgerald at 523-7674. This Friday is First Friday; anyone wishing Holy Communion brought to them please call the parish office at 731-7834.

Social Action...

MISSION, PEACE, AND DEVELOPMENT

Today we celebrate Solidarity Sunday when we are challenged to stand in solidarity with communities in the Global South. Our contributions to the Share Lent campaign of Development and Peace are essential to the peoples of

Asia, Africa and Latin America as they continue their struggle for justice and a life of dignity. The education component of Share Lent focuses on the protection of public access to water resources. See the display on "Water: Life before Profit" at the MPD table at the back of the church. "When the poor and needy seek water, and there is none, and their tongue is parched with thirst, I the God of Israel will not forsake them." (Isaiah 41:17)

We thank you for recent donations of quality children's shoes for the Dominican Republic and of wired ribbon for the AIDS Angels project.

Our April MPD meeting has been postponed to April 11 to allow members to attend the parish mission.

The Angel makers meet again on Friday, April 21 in meeting room A.

DID YOU KNOW?

Ms. Wisdom

It is not uncommon for wisdom to be portrayed as a person. In the Hebrew Bible, "she" is portrayed not as abstract virtue but as a concrete person, divine even (see Proverbs 1, 8; Sirach 1, 24; Wisdom 6,9). It was a familiar device for Israel's neighbors too. The name *Sophia* is derived from the Greek word for wisdom. Legend tells of a Roman widow named Sophia who had three daughters named Faith, Hope, and Charity. The whole family was martyred, as the story goes—the three daughters first and then "Wisdom" herself, slain as she prayed for her daughters. Her feast day was September 30. Christians see Wisdom personified in Jesus.

(The Catholic Source Book)

PARISH LENTEN MISSION

April 03, 04 & 05 (7 – 9 p.m.)

Preacher: Fr. John Vandenakker

RECONCILIATION SERVICE

Tuesday, April 04 at 7 p.m.

CHRISM MASS

Archbishop Marcel Gervais invites all the faithful for the Chrism Mass on **Tuesday, April 11 at 7:30 p.m.** at Notre Dame Cathedral.

EASTER TRIDUUM

Our three most holy days:

****HOLY THURSDAY – 13 April at 8:00 p.m.** – Mass of the Lord's Supper with the washing of feet.

****GOOD FRIDAY – 14 April – A special liturgy for children at 10:30 a.m.** and the **Solemn Celebration of the Lord's Passion at 3:00 p.m.** A Universal Day of fasting and abstinence. The collection is taken for the Holy Land. **Stations of the Cross at 7:30 p.m.**

****EASTER VIGIL MASS – 15 April at 8:30 p.m.** – A candlelight beginning, listening to the story of salvation history, culminating in the Easter story.

EASTER SUNDAY – Sunday, April 16 – 8, 9:30 & 11:15 a.m. There will be **NO** evening Mass.

****NOTE: Incense will be used at these liturgies.**
