



## PALM SUNDAY – 09 APRIL 2006

**“Hosanna!**

**Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!”**

(Today's Readings: Isaiah 50:4-7; Philippians 2:6-11; Mark 14:1-15:47)

### Announced mass intentions...

Sat., Apr. 08	5:00PM Mass – Patrick Chatelaine+ Dennis Prendergast+
Sun., Apr. 09	<b>Palm Sunday</b> 8:00AM Mass – Holy Cross Parishioners 9:30AM Mass – Rita & Richard Lemieux+ 11:15AM Mass – Nikhil Jose+ 7:30PM Mass
Mon., Apr. 10	12:15PM <b>NO</b> Mass
Tues., Apr. 11	12:15PM Mass
Wed., Apr. 12	12:15PM Mass – Gerta Patry+
Thurs., Apr. 13	<b>HOLY THURSDAY</b> 12:15PM <b>NO</b> Mass 8:00PM <b>Mass of the Lord's Supper</b>
Fri., Apr. 14	<b>GOOD Friday</b> 10:30AM Special Liturgy for Children 3:00PM <b>Solemn celebration of the Lord's Passion</b>
Sat., Apr. 15	<b>EASTER VIGIL</b> 8:30PM <b>Easter Vigil</b> – followed by a reception in the hall
Sun., Apr. 16	<b>EASTER SUNDAY</b> 8:00AM Mass – Holy Cross Parishioners 9:30AM Mass – Pauline Forgues+ 11:15AM Mass 7:30PM <b>NO</b> Mass

### Events Calendar

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 10:30AM Children's Choir Practice – Rm. A
Mon., Apr. 10	7:00PM Bereavement Support Group 7:30PM K of C Executive meeting
Tues., Apr. 11	7:00PM RCIA – Rm. A 7:30PM <b>Chrism Mass</b> – held at Notre Dame Cathedral 7:30PM MPD – Library 8:00PM A.A. – Hall
Wed., Apr. 12	7:30PM Choir (7:30) practice – Church
Thurs., Apr. 13	6:30PM Christian Meditation – Rm. A
Fri., Apr. 14	7:00PM <b>Stations of The Cross</b> lead by Fr. James Raphel & Fr. Lukose
Sat., Apr. 15	9:30AM Prayer Group – Rm. A 4:30PM Rosary – Church

### 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), Ron Dexter (husband of Diane), Margaret FitzGerald, Marie Claire Grandbois, Gertrude Kennedy, Alice Houghton (wife of Bob), Frank Laturus (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 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), 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 Sarcevich)  
**-the deceased-** Suzanne Desjardins (daughter of Leo)

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

### Pastor's Column...

#### PASSION SUNDAY

Holy week! A time when millions of minds will be focused upon the last hours of the earthly life of Jesus; time to engrave in our hearts with greater clarity the image of a God who is with us, who doesn't find anything human alien, a servant God who washes our feet and heals our wounds; an obedient God who listens and responds to his Father in love. Yet an aspect that stands out so sharply is the nature of the obedience of Jesus.

“We will misunderstand Jesus' going into the world of suffering and pain and his giving himself as a servant if we perceive these actions as the heroic initiatives of a son who wants to prove himself to a father whose love has to be earned, or as the anxious fulfillment of a command given by a father whose will must be respected. Rather we see in these actions a divine listening to a divine love, a loving response to a loving mission and a free YES to a free command.”  
(Henry J.M. Nouwen)

I was delighted to see many of you actively participating in the Lenten Mission. Thanks a lot for your openness of heart and mind to receive the Blessing of the Lord during this Lenten season. Those who missed this opportunity—see you next year.

**GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION** – During Good Friday on April 14, a collection for the Holy Land will be taken in this Church and throughout the world. The fruits of this pontifical collection will support the Church in Jerusalem and assist in the Works of the Custody of the Holy Land. This collection is of great importance. Let us be generous so that these holy sites sanctified by Jesus' life on earth may be protected and preserved and may Peace return to this land.

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**The "BIG HIT" of last year is back again...HOLY CROSS IS HAVING AN INDO-CANADIAN GALA DINNER on SATURDAY, MAY 13 at 6 p.m.** Enjoy many exotic varieties of Indian and Canadian dishes prepared by Coconut Lagoon Restaurant; cash bar, silent auction, Mexican dancers and much, much more! Cost: \$35/per person. This fundraiser is to help the parish with roof repairs. Donations of good quality articles will be greatly appreciated for the silent auction and may be dropped off at the parish office.

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### *Parish News and Community Life...*

**JOIN US ON MERCY 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.**

**ELECTIONS** to fill one position on Parish Pastoral Council will be held on April 29/30. Those elected will serve a two-year term. Please consider putting your name forward to serve the parish community. The nominating committee consists of Fr. James Raphel, Jean Bélanger and Karen Flynn. Nomination forms may be found at the entrances of the Church and must be **submitted no later than April 22/23**. For information call Karen Flynn at 822-9527 or Jean Bélanger at 241-6786.

The **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM)** for Holy Cross Parish will be held on **Sunday, May 07** following the 11:15 Mass. Lunch will be served and all parishioners are encouraged to attend. This is an opportunity to discuss changes in the coming year as well as the highlights of last year.

### HOSPITALITY

As has been the tradition at Holy Cross for many years, 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. Please bring your item downstairs to the hall before the Vigil begins, and a member of the Hospitality Committee will take care of it. Thank you.

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

**IT'S OUR BIRTHDAY**—Holy Cross Knights of Columbus Council is Fifteen years old and we invite you to help us celebrate by attending a Semi-Formal dinner/dance 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.

### PASTORAL CARE

Our Pastoral Care Team members are eager to help in any way we can. Please call Theresa Fitzgerald at 523-7674.

### *Social Action...*

### MISSION, PEACE, AND DEVELOPMENT

We thank you for your support of the Development and Peace Share Lent campaign which culminated last week with Solidarity Sunday. While Development and Peace plays a prominent role in emergency relief, about 90% of its budget is for long term development projects in partnership with organizations in the Global South. Typical projects involve issues such as peace-building, human rights, agrarian reform community development and economic justice. Share Lent envelopes are still available at the MPD table. Our biblical quotations during Lent have been taken from the D & P Lifestyle Awareness calendar. "For I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink" Matthew 25:35.  
MPD meets on Tuesday, April 11 at 7:30 p.m. in Room B.

### **DID YOU KNOW?**

#### *The date of Easter*

Much debate and conflict has been spawned by efforts to determine the date this feast should be celebrated annually. The difficulty comes in translating an "immovable feast" from a lunar to the Christian solar calendar (Julian, and now Gregorian), on which it becomes a movable feast (one that moves to a certain day of the week, the way Thanksgiving moves to a Thursday, instead of one that is always celebrated on a particular date, immovable, like a birthday). The Council of Nicaea in 325 placed Easter on the first Sunday following the first full moon after March 20 (which is the vernal equinox, when the sun is directly above the earth's equator). This date allowed pilgrims to have moonlight for traveling to the great Easter festivals of that day. According to this method of reckoning, Easter could be as early as March 22 and as late as April 25.

(The Catholic Source Book)

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### 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. A reception will follow in the Cathedral Hall.

### 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.**

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