



2nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – 14 JANUARY 2007

**“And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah...
for from you shall come a ruler
who is to shepherd my people Israel.”**

(Today's Readings: Isaiah 62:1-5; 1 Corinthians 12:4-11; John 2:1-12)

Announced mass intentions...

Sat., Jan. 13	5:00PM Mass – Holy Cross Parishioners
Sun., Jan. 14	2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:00AM Mass 9:30AM Mass – Emile Boudreau+ Tony Costanza+ 11:15AM Mass – Russ Allen+ Humbert Savoia+ 7:30PM Mass
Mon., Jan. 15	12:15PM NO Mass
Tues., Jan. 16	12:15PM Mass – Ella Ross+
Wed., Jan. 17	12:15PM Mass – Mrs. Berta Lipski+
Thurs., Jan. 18	9:00AM Mass at Billings Lodge 12:15PM Mass – Pro Life
Fri., Jan. 19	12:15PM Mass – Lee Primeau+ Lilian Quig+
Sat., Jan. 20	5:00PM Mass
Sun., Jan. 21	3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:00AM Mass – Holy Cross Parishioners 9:30AM Mass – Rita & Richard Lemieux+ Margaret Sindani+ 11:15AM Mass – Peggy Mervin+ Theresa Power+ 7:30PM Mass

Events Calendar

Sat., Jan. 13	9:30AM Prayer Group – Rm. A 4:30PM Rosary – Church
Sun., Jan. 14	9:30AM Children's Liturgy Guest Speaker at all Masses
Tues., Jan. 16	7:30PM RCIA – Church 8:00PM A.A. – Hall
Wed., Jan. 17	7:30PM Choir (7:30) practice – Rm. A 7:30PM K of C general meeting – Hall
Thurs., Jan. 18	6:30PM Christian Meditation – Rm. A 7:00PM First Reconciliation meeting – held in the parish hall 7:30PM Choir (11:15) practice – Church 7:30PM Hospitality - Library
Sat., Jan. 20	9:30AM Prayer Group – Rm. A 4:30PM Rosary – Church
Sun., Jan 21	9:30AM Children's Liturgy

Enrolment for Sacraments at the 9:30 & 11:15 Masses

We remember in our prayers the sick...

-our parishioners- Laurette Allen, Helen Charbonneau, Clare Desjardins (husband of Alicia), Ron Dexter (husband of Diane), Joan Dumbrell (wife of Bob Irvine), Marie Claire Grandbois, Gertrude Kennedy, Jesse Kennedy, Alice Haughton (wife of Bob), Audrey Hester, Helen Lenthall,

Eveline Lavoie, Reg MacDonald (husband of Joan), Odette MacKinnon, Deacon Bruce McLeod, Yolanda Miron (mother of Mina), Mary O'Connor (wife of Al), Barbara Riggins, Margaret Ross, Ray Valin (husband of Betty), Sherri Vallee **-relatives-** Tillie Andruchow (mother of Jean Ryan), Cathy Becker (sister of Maureen Monaghan), Barbara Burke (mother of Margie Kennedy, Richard Calagoure (brother-in-law of Barbara Riggins), Helen Chynces (sister of Theresa Sarceвич), Barbara Cooper (sister of Imelda Marrast), Patricia Esmond (mother of Liz), Guy Gosselin (brother-in-law of Theresa Sarceвич), , Vivian Hunt (brother of Beryl Budzinski), Cathy Jirsch (sister of Aileen Halls), Theresa Lassaline (sister of Mary Simms), Ayin & Godwin Lee (parents of Robert), Jerry Lorbetskie (brother of Dorothy Daub), Oswald Luke (father-in-law of Robert Lee), Marie Miele (mother of Christine), Dominci O'Hara (brother of Monica Ryan), Donald Pajot (brother of Marc), Sonia Pereira (cousin of Marlene Braganza), Eleanor Spafford (mother of Barb Goski) **-the deceased-** Margaret Sindani+ (sister of Catherine Sindani), Jamie Kelly+ (brother of Kris Kelly)

Pastor's Column...

“DO WHATEVER HE TELLS YOU”

St. John interprets the miracle at Cana in the light of the Eucharist and of Baptism. But taking it at face value we can also see it as a sort of allegory of every marriage. Every marriage begins with joy and enthusiasm. Wine is the symbol of joy. But everything human is transient: enthusiasm wanes, joy comes down to a lower register and sometimes disappears altogether, and love can die. Routine takes over, and it seems at times that there is nothing left but water.

What is to be done? Invite Jesus to be present in this marriage. The water of routine can be changed little by little into wine, not fizzy wine like the first, but a quieter and more mellow and long lasting wine. What happened at Cana in Galilee can happen here in your own home provided you are willing to do what He tells you. Are you ready to fill the empty jars of frustration and disappointment with your baptismal commitment? All heaven is interested in is the happiness of man.

God bless us.
Fr. Lukose

CONGRATULATIONS and thanks for the hard work and creative energy of the African Angels Social Action Group for raising \$18,000 for the year 2006. Little action with love speaks more than great intentions. The money is used for hospices and orphanages in South Africa and Zambia.

Thought for Food

The food banks are in need of canned stews, soups, vegetables, fish, macaroni and cheese, an assortment of

pastas, tomato sauce, as well as cereal, tea and jars of baby food. Please bring what you can to Church next Sunday.

Parish News and Community Life...

IMPORTANT DATES—REMINDER TO ALL PARENTS

whose children are registered for the sacraments of Confirmation and First Communion. There will be a meeting for **FIRST RECONCILIATION** on **Thursday, January 18 at 7 p.m.** in the parish hall. **ENROLMENT** will be on **Sunday, January 21 OR Sunday, January 28 at either the 9:30 or 11:15 a.m. Mass.** Please attend one of these Masses and sign-in your child's name at the entrance of the Church 10 minutes before Mass begins. We would also ask the parents to bring a small picture of their child with their name written on the back. If you have any questions please call the parish office at 613-731-7834.

"A MESSAGE FOR OUR TIMES"...A quote by Pope John Paul II, who also said: "*There is nothing man needs more than Divine Mercy.*" All Parishioners are welcome to join us on **Tuesday, January 16 at 7:30 p.m.** in the Church to hear our guest speaker, Fr. Dan Dubroy, Chaplain at the Civic Hospital speak on Divine Mercy. Sponsored by the RCIA.

LECTORS AND ANNOUNCERS WORKSHOP: The second Workshop for current Lectors and Announcers will be held on Tuesday, January 30, at 7:30 p.m. in the Church. This will be a Technical Workshop where we will all have an opportunity to practice our reading and announcing. Materials will be circulated by e-mail in advance of the Workshop. Parishioners who would like to join this Ministry are also warmly invited to attend. If you have any questions about the Workshop, please contact Bob Laird at 613-731-4304 or boblaird@rogers.com.

2007 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES are still available for pick up at the back of the church. Please write your name, address, etc on the enclosed slip of paper and leave it in the basket for our records.

WE ARE MISSING THE NAMES for the following 2006 envelopes: **#413 & 493.** In order to distribute proper tax receipts the holders of these envelopes are asked to contact the office.

GRIEF MANAGEMENT LIBRARY

We now have available in our Library pamphlets, videos, C.D.'s or DVD's designed to assist families through a difficult time. If you or anyone you know is experiencing the impending or recent loss of a loved one, please help yourself to any of the materials (under "Grief Management"). When you have finished there is no need to return anything. Feel free to pass it on to someone else in need.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights of Columbus are reminded of the regular general meeting on Wednesday, January 17 starting at 7:30 p.m. in the parish hall. **ALL PARISHIONERS** are invited to hear guest speaker, Fr. Maxime Allard, Vice President of the Dominican University College speak on the topic, "*What are Angels? How do we know they exist?*" All are welcome to hear his talk at **8:30 p.m.** in the hall.

PASTORAL CARE

Our Pastoral Care volunteers are available to visit or administer the Eucharist to our housebound and hospitalized parishioners. Please call Theresa Fitzgerald at 613-523-7674 or the parish office with your request.

YOUTH CORNER

WORLD YOUTH DAY 2008 – AUSTRALIA: G'day Mate! In July 2008, World Youth Day is in Sydney Australia. This is an exciting opportunity to travel on a pilgrimage with other youth/young adults from Ottawa to an international gathering of young Catholics from around the world. If you are 16 to 35 and are interested in possibly going, then join our "Interest Meeting" on **Wednesday, January 31 at 7:00 p.m.** at the Diocesan Centre (1247 Kilborn Place). For more information call Ted at 613-738-5025 ext 231.

Social Action...

MISSION, PEACE, AND DEVELOPMENT

Have you ever thought where that gold in your ring, bracelet, necklace or piercing came from? That thought hit many of us as we listened to two young Carleton students give an account of their visit to a Canadian-owned gold mine in Guatemala. Angelina and Angela had travelled to Guatemala as part of an exposure tour organized by Development and Peace (D&P). The D&P education and action campaign for 2006/07 will focus on mining. We were quite shocked and disturbed to learn of the disregard not only for the health and welfare of the local indigenous community but also of the environment that this Canadian company manifests. As Angelina said, "*Every Canadian should know what is going on there*". The web site for Mining Watch Canada has much more information on the situation in Guatemala and other countries. There is no problem with resource extraction but "it has to be done right". Our MPD committee will continue to study this issue with the help of D&P educational materials. The students will be giving similar presentations in Ottawa parishes as well as one at Carleton (520 Southam Hall) on January 22 from 7 to 9 p.m.

Other items of interest...

OTTAWA MEN'S RETREAT ASSOCIATION on January 26-28 at Our Lady of Providence House, 1754 St. Joseph Blvd., in Orleans. For reservations/information call Joe Tonin at 613-731-7437.

RIVERSIDE UNITED CHURCH: All are welcome to join us on Tuesday, January 16 at 10:00 a.m. for "*Grandmothers for Africa*". It is a gathering to learn more about forming a group to support Grandmothers in Africa who are offering care to AIDS orphans.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: During the winter months, snow and ice tend to build up on the roof of the Church and when the weather conditions turn mild, the snow and/or ice slides off. We are asking all parishioners to please be cautious when entering all entrances of the building and to please watch for ice build-up on the ground.
