



## SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT – 04 MARCH 2007

**“Jesus took with him Peter and John and James...  
Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to Jesus.”**

(Today's Readings: Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18; Philippians 3:17-4:1; Luke 9:28-36)

### *Announced mass intentions...*

Sat., Mar. 03	5:00PM Mass
Sun., Mar. 04	<b>SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT</b> 8:00AM Mass – Georgette Danis+ 9:30AM Mass 11:15AM Mass – Souls in Purgatory Alice Des Grosseilliers+ Linda Viola (Ivg) 7:30PM Mass – Holy Cross Parishioners
Mon., Mar. 05	12:15PM <b>NO</b> Mass
Tues., Mar. 06	12:15PM Mass
Wed., Mar. 07	12:15PM <b>NO</b> Mass 7:00PM <b>MASS</b>
Thurs., Mar. 08	9:00AM Communion Service held at Billings Lodge 10:00AM Mass at Landmark Court 12:15PM Mass – Leo MacKinnon+ Intentions for the CCO and the Evangelization of Students
Fri., Mar. 09	11:00AM <b>ADORATION</b> until 12 noon 12:15PM Mass – Patry & Costanza Families+
Sat., Mar. 10	5:00PM Mass – Holy Cross Parishioners
Sun., Mar. 11	<b>THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT</b> 8:00AM Mass – Catherine & Stan Curtis+ 9:30AM Mass – Bill Reid+ Rita & Richard Lemieux+ Mario Falcone+ 11:15AM Mass – Phillip Connell+ Mary Maurice+ 7:30PM Mass

### *Events Calendar*

Sat., Mar. 03	9:30AM Prayer Group – Rm. A 4:30PM Rosary – Church
Sun., Mar. 04	9:30AM Children's Liturgy MPD – <b>FOOD DRIVE</b> at all the Masses
Mon., Mar. 05	7:30PM K of C Executive meeting
Tues., Mar. 06	7:30PM MPD – Library 7:30PM RCIA – Rm. A 8:00PM A.A. – Hall
Wed., Mar. 07	7:00PM <b>LENTEN MISSION</b> – Church
Thurs., Mar. 08	6:30PM Christian Meditation – Rm. A 7:00PM Come Join Us at The Table #4 7:00PM <b>LENTEN MISSION</b> – Church
Fri., Mar. 09	7:00PM <b>LENTEN MISSION</b> – Church
Sat., Mar. 10	9:30AM Prayer Group – Rm. A 4:30PM Rosary – Church
Sun., Mar. 11	9:30AM <b>NO</b> Children's Liturgy Coffee served after all morning Masses

### **We remember in our prayers the sick...**

**-our parishioners-** Laurette Allen, Helen Charbonneau, Francis and Barbara Cullinan, Ron Dexter (husband of Diane), Joan Dumbrell (wife of Bob Irvine), Marie Claire Grandbois, Gertrude Kennedy, Jesse Kennedy, Alice Haughton (wife of Bob), Eveline Lavoie, Reg MacDonald (husband of Joan), Odette MacKinnon, Romeo Maione (husband of Elizabeth), Margaret McClory, Deacon Bruce McLeod, Yolanda Miron (mother of Mina), Barbara Riggins, Margaret Ross, Ray Valin (husband of Betty), Sherri Vallee  
**-relatives-** Tillie Andruchow (mother of Jean Ryan), Cathy Becker (sister of Maureen Monaghan), Mary Beggan (sister of Anne Cooper), 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), Mary McClory (sister-in-law of Susan), 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)

**WE ALSO PRAY** for our RCIA Candidates: Deanne Ellis and Mark Walker

### *Pastor's Column...*

#### **THE TRANSFIGURATION OF JESUS**

The Transfiguration mountain rises in the middle of a great plain. The landscape is majestic. And magnificent must have been the experience lived by the three apostles. This story is set at the centre of the Gospel and it is the clearest testimony about Jesus. As in the Old Testament, God himself speaks from the cloud: "This is my Son, the Beloved, listen to him." The disciples seem not to completely understand, but there is something that will help them on their way and will impel them to follow Jesus, in spite of difficulties and doubts, all the way to the Cross. Only then will they understand the meaning of "to rise from the dead."

PLEASE NOTE that our **PARISH LENTEN MISSION** starts on **Wednesday, March 07** with Holy Mass at 7 p.m. and ends with Reconciliation Service on Friday, March 09.

I would like to extend a personal invitation to all the Parishioners to come and participate in this important Parish event during Lent.

THERE WILL BE **ADORATION** at 11 a.m. every Friday during Lent before the 12:15 noon Mass. All parishioners (young and old) are also welcomed to join in celebrating the life and death of Christ through the **STATIONS OF THE CROSS** held every Friday through Lent (see event calendar for times).

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## HOLY CROSS' LENTEN MISSION

Theme: "KAIROS—The Time is Now..."

Preacher: Fr. Paulson Varkey Veliyanoor CMF from San Gabriel Mission in California.

**Wednesday, March 07 (7 p.m. to 9 p.m.):** "The Eucharist as Sacrament: The Source and Summit of Christian Faith."—Starts with Holy Mass.

**Thursday, March 08 (7 p.m. to 9 p.m.):** "The Eucharist as Service: Our Christian Missionary Mandate"—No Holy Mass, session ends with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

**Friday, March 09 (7 p.m. to 9 p.m.):** "Repentance and Reconciliation: The Time is Now!"—No Holy Mass, the session ends with Parish Reconciliation Service.

Come and experience the 'DIVINE TOUCH OF GOD' and refresh your body and soul with this Lenten (RE)TREAT. All are welcome. A free will offering will be taken to cover the expenses of the Preacher.

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

**IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL PARENTS—DATE CHANGE:** For those children who are registered for the sacraments please note that FIRST RECONCILIATION HAS BEEN CHANGED from Tuesday, March 06 to **WEDNESDAY, MARCH 21 at 7 p.m.** in the Church.

**HOLY CROSS ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARTY** will be on Saturday, March 17 in the parish hall. The social starts at 6 p.m. and the dinner at 7 p.m. Then a six member band (Swing Bridge) will play from 8 – 10:30 p.m. Tickets are \$15. All are welcome...wear some green and enjoy delicious Irish stew and dance the night away with the Swing Bridge Band. (Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus)

**2006 TAX RECEIPTS** are available at the back of the Church.

#### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The VALUE TAPE PROGRAM during the 2006 year totaled \$29,048.55. A cheque for \$290.48 received from Roger's Independent Grocer has been added to Holy Cross Council's charitable works. The Knights thank all the Parishioners who continue to submit 'Roger's Value Tapes'.

#### PASTORAL CARE

Our Pastoral Care meeting will be held in the library on **Wednesday, March 14 at 7 p.m.**

The Spring session of the OTTAWA PASTORAL CARE TRAINING PROGRAM begins Monday, March 05. For information call Myrnah Vullings, Pastoral Care Coordinator at 613-737-0755.

The Pastoral Team and our priests are available to visit the bereaved, hospitalized, sick or housebound parishioners. Please call Alex Howard at 613-523-4694 with your request.

#### YOUTH CORNER

**THEOLOGY ON TAP:** Tuesday, March 02 at 7 p.m. at Malone's Pub (Dow's Lake Pavilion). "Why Can't Women Be Priests?" Speaker Miriam Stulberg of the Madonna House Lay Apostolate explores the Catholic understanding of vocation, priesthood, masculinity and femininity, and the role of Mary, Mother of God. For more information, visit [www.ottawa-theologyontap.com](http://www.ottawa-theologyontap.com).

**TAIZÉ WEEKEND:** Held in Montreal the weekend of April 27 –29. 800 to 1000 young adults are expected to attend from all across eastern Canada and the U.S. For information/register call Laura at 613-738-5025 ext 219 or Sr. Marie-Pierre at 613-241-7515.

### *Social Action...*

#### MISSION, PEACE, AND DEVELOPMENT

The Senate committee on foreign affairs and international trade has released a significant report "Overcoming 40 Years of Failure: A New Road Map for Sub-Saharan Africa". The deputy chair of the committee Consiglio Di Nino, arguing that aid creates dependency writes that "maybe it is time to abandon this outdated, parochial approach". In criticizing the Senate report however, Gerry Barr, CEO of the Canadian Council for International Co-operation notes that "between 1970 and 2002, Africa received \$540 billion in loans, paid back \$550 billion in interest and principal but still owed close to \$300 billion". The report is well-written and a worthwhile contribution to debate on the important issue of aid to Africa. "DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE has empowered the Concertacion de Mujeres and each organization represented there, which in turn empowers the community. There are spaces where women can meet and direct the development of their community by strengthening the family economy, and improving child care and health service." (Ana, Concertracion de Murjeres). Help us celebrate our 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary, please Share Lent.

THANKS to those who donated food items this weekend for our local food banks.

MPD meets this Tuesday, March 06 at 7:30 p.m.

ANGELS MAKERS meet March 16 and 30 in room A.

#### **DID YOU KNOW?**

##### **SERIES ABOUT EASTERN CATHOLIC CHURCHES**

#### **18. The Ruthenian Church**

The Ruthenians also known as Rusyns, have a noble history and an indomitable spirit, having suffered persecution in their homeland of Carpatho-Rus and elsewhere. They trace their origin to Saints Cyril and Methodius, sent from Constantinople to the land of Carpatho-Rus. The two were successful in bringing conversion to the people, for they created an alphabet primarily of Greek letters to compliment the native tongue of this Slavic nation. The motherland for the Ruthenian Catholic Church is now in extreme Western Ukraine and southwest of the Carpathians Mountains at the eastern end of Slovakia and the district is now called Ruthenia.

After the collapse of Communism in 1991, Pope John Paul II confirmed the ordination of the bishop of Mukacevo and two auxiliaries who had been functioning in the underground Church.

Today this Church has firm jurisdiction in the Ukraine, Czech Republic and Pittsburgh and Pennsylvania in the United States.

Nest week: The Slovak Eastern Catholic Church

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**IMPORTANT NOTICE:** With the weather conditions turning mild, the snow and/or ice that have built up on our roof will slide 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.

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