



FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT – 25 MARCH 2007

**“Let anyone among you who is without sin
be the first to throw a stone at her.”**

(Today’s Readings: Isaiah 43:16-21; Philippians 3:8-14; John 8:1-11)

Announced mass intentions...

Sat., Mar. 24 5:00PM Mass – Mary McClory+

Sun., Mar. 25 **FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT**
 8:00AM Mass – Holy Cross Parishioners
 9:30AM Mass – Ashley Hibbard+
 Mary Ann Ouimet+

11:15AM
 7:30PM Mass

Mon., Mar. 26 12:15PM **NO** Mass

Tues., Mar. 27 12:15PM Mass – Simon Baumberg (lvg)

Wed., Mar. 28 12:15PM Mass

Thurs., Mar. 29 9:00AM Communion Service held at
 Billings Lodge
 12:15PM Mass

Fri., Mar. 30 11:00AM **ADORATION** until 12 noon
 12:15PM Mass – Gerta Patry+

Sat., Mar. 31 5:00PM Mass – Dennis Prendergast+

Sun., April 01 **PALM SUNDAY**
 8:00AM Mass – Georgette Danis+
 9:30AM Mass
 11:15AM Mass – Gordon Bull+
 Bruce Peck+
 7:30PM Mass

Events Calendar

Sat., Mar. 24 9:30AM Choir Practice – Church
 9:30AM Prayer Group – Rm. A
 4:30PM Rosary – Church

Sun., Mar. 25 9:30AM Children’s Liturgy
 1:00PM Luncheon for Fr. Reg – Hall

Tues., Mar. 27 7:30PM Lectors/Announcers Practice
 7:30PM RCIA – Rm. A
 8:00PM A.A. – Hall

Wed., Mar. 28 7:00PM Parish Pastoral Council
 7:30PM Choir (7:30) Practice – Church

Thurs., Mar. 29 6:30PM Christian Meditation – Rm. A
 7:30PM Choir (11:15) Practice – Church

Fri., Mar. 30 1:00PM African Angles – Rm. A
 7:00PM **Stations of the Cross** – lead by
 RCIA

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 9:30AM Prayer Group – Rm. A
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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 Sarcevich), Barbara Cooper (sister of Imelda Marrast), Patricia Esmond (mother of Liz), Guy Gosselin (brother-in-law of Theresa Sarcevich), 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), Orel White (brother of Geneva Thibault)

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

Pastor’s Column...

WOMAN CAUGHT IN ADULTERY

John F. Kavanaugh writes, “What do we do when we nab the adulterers of the world or adulterer in our hearts? Do we want to stone them? What penalty will we exact of the sinner around and within us?” Jesus says, “Let the one without sin cast the first stone.” While we rush to judgement and condemnation, Jesus does not. “Neither do I condemn you. Go and sin no more.”

We should judge no one because we are all in need of redemption. Have we judged anyone? Are we inclined to do this?

Parish News and Community Life...

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).

IN MEMORY OF... Consider making a donation towards our **EASTER FLOWERS** this year in memory of a deceased loved one. Special envelopes are available at the back of the Church to take your donations **until April 04**. The names of your deceased loved ones will appear in the Easter bulletin.

LECTORS AND ANNOUNCERS

Please note that in preparation for Palm Sunday and Holy Week, there will be a practice/dress rehearsal for all Lectors scheduled for these Masses/celebrations on **Tuesday, March 27th at 7:30 p.m. in the Church.** "Please bring your Workbook." **REMINDER:** All lectors/announcers and coordinators are reminded to call or e-mail Maureen (613-260-2856/ maureen.proulx@rogers.com) with your availability for the months of April 2007 – June 2007.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS AND JOIN US ON "MERCY SUNDAY" – APRIL 15 (Second Sunday of Easter). The world is in great need of God's Mercy and we invite everyone to come and pray with us on **Sunday, April 15 at 3 p.m.** at Holy Cross Parish.

HOLY CROSS SCHOOL is having a used book sale on Tuesday, May 01. We are looking for donations of children/adult books as well as games that we can sell to raise money to purchase more books for our library. Any donations would be greatly appreciated and can be dropped off at the school any time during the day. For more information call the school at 613-733-5887.

ATTENTION PARISHIONERS—COMING SOON—HOLY CROSS IS HAVING AN INDO-CANADIAN GALA DINNER. Mark your calendars. There will be Irish Dancers and much more on **FRIDAY, MAY 11 at 6 p.m.** Cost: \$35/per person. This fundraiser is to help the Claretian Missions in India. More details will follow in the upcoming bulletins.

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 07.** 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.

PASTORAL CARE

Minutes of March's Pastoral Care Meeting are ready for members to pick-up in the music room. 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.

Social Action...

MISSION, PEACE, AND DEVELOPMENT

Today is Solidarity Sunday. This is the one day of the year that we as universal church declare *in unison* that we are truly present to those who suffer poverty and injustice throughout our world. Through our prayers and our donations to the Share Lent campaign we do what is right—we feed the hungry, defend people whose rights are violated, speak out against violence and injustice, and help the people in the Global South—Africa, Asia and Latin America. We appreciate the generosity of those who look beyond our comforts and make sacrifices to help those in need.

Over the years a number of our parishioners have participated directly in projects in the global south, including

Nicaragua, Guatemala, Dominican Republic and India. Presently Margie Duthie is in the Dominican Republic with a group of St. Mark High School students, living and working with the people of Consuelo. Margie brought along 108 pairs of shoes donated by our parishioners so that the children are able to attend school. Kaitlyn Duthie-Kannikkatt has just returned from a similar trip with her peers from Immaculata High School as an expression of solidarity with the people of Consuelo. Our youth benefit immensely from the experience, learning that happiness and joy is associated with being present to one another in love as Jesus taught us. Margie and Kaitlyn will be making a presentation about their experiences on Tuesday, May 01 at 7:30 p.m. in the library.

DID YOU KNOW?

SERIES ABOUT EASTERN CATHOLIC CHURCHES

20. THE MELKITE CATHOLIC CHURCH

Melkites are descended from the ancient followers of Christ in the Holy Land who adhered to the council of Chalcedon (451) and followed the Byzantine worship. The word "Melkite" means "King" or "Kingly". The Melkites trace their origin to Antioch, but adopted the Byzantine Liturgy following the crusades.

The Melkites re-entered in to Communion with Rome in 1724, and are the most tenacious in preserving their Byzantine identity within the Catholic Church. The Melkite Patriarch Maximos IV played a major role at the Second Vatican Council. There he championed the Eastern tradition of Christianity.

The current Melkite Catholic Patriarch is Gregory III Laham. The Patriarchate is based in Damascus.

Due to heavy emigration from the Middle East, today the Melkite Catholic Church is founded throughout the world and no longer made up exclusively of faithful of Middle Eastern origin. The Melkites have about 1.5 million members, including an Eparchy in US (Newton, Massachusetts)

Nest week: The Armanian Church

CHRISM MASS

Archbishop Marcel Gervais invites all the faithful for the Chrism Mass on **Tuesday, April 03 at 7:30 p.m.** at Notre Dame Cathedral.

EASTER TRIDUUM

Our three most holy days

****HOLY THURSDAY – 05 April at 8:00 p.m.** – Mass of the Lord's Supper with the washing of feet followed by a half hour of **Silent Adoration.**

****GOOD FRIDAY – 06 April – A special liturgy for children at 10:30 a.m.**

Solemn Celebration of the Lord's Passion at 3:00 p.m. This is a Universal Day of fasting and abstinence. A collection is taken for the Holy Land.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS at 7:30 p.m.

****EASTER VIGIL MASS – 07 April at 8:00 p.m.** – A candlelight beginning, listening to the story of salvation history, culminating in the Easter story.

EASTER SUNDAY MASSES – 08 April – 8, 9:30 & 11:15 a.m. There will be **NO** evening Mass.

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