



# EASTER SUNDAY – 08 APRIL 2007

*“The Lord has risen indeed...”*

(Today’s Readings: Acts 10:34, 36-43; Colossians 3:1-4; Luke 24:13-35)



## *Announced mass intentions...*

Sat., April 07 8:00PM **EASTER VIGIL** – followed by a reception in the hall

Sun., April 08 **EASTER SUNDAY**  
 8:00AM Mass – Olivia Gomez (Ivg)  
 Ted & Joanne Sabourin (Ivg)  
 9:30AM Mass – Leo MacKinnon+  
 Tony & Lina Iacobucci (Ivg)  
 Costanza Family (Ivg)  
 11:15AM Mass – Suzanne Desjardins+  
 Helen Charbonneau+  
 Dennis & Angelina Girard (Ivg)  
 7:30PM **NO** Mass

Mon., April 09 12:15PM **NO** Mass

Tues., April 10 9:00AM Easter Mass for Holy Family School held in the gym  
 12:15PM Mass – Ella Ross+

Wed., April 11 12:15PM Mass

Thurs., April 12 9:00AM Communion Service held at Billings Lodge  
 10:00AM Mass at Landmark Court  
 12:15PM Mass – Hedel & Hans Friese+  
 12:15PM Mass

Fri., April 13 5:00PM Mass – Holy Cross Parishioners

Sat., April 14 **SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER**

Sun., April 15 **DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**  
 8:00AM Mass – Rigden & Frenette Fam+  
 Gilles Latour (Ivg)  
 9:30AM Mass – Rita & Richard Lemieux+  
 Gerta Patry+  
 Souls in Purgatory  
 11:15AM Mass – Humbert Savoia+  
 Intentions for the Blessed Virgin Mary  
 7:30PM Mass – Margaret-Ann Miller (Ivg)  
 Special Intentions in Thanksgiving

## *Events Calendar*

Sat., April 07 9:30AM Prayer Group – Rm. A

Sun., April 08 9:30AM Baptism during the Mass

Mon., April 09 **OFFICE CLOSED**

Tues., April 10 7:00PM **Practice for the Sacraments** – Ch  
 7:30PM RCIA – Rm. A  
 8:00PM A.A. – Hall

Wed., April 11 7:30PM Choir (7:30) Practice – Church

Thurs., April 12 6:30PM Christian Meditation – Rm. A  
 7:00PM **Practice for the Sacraments** – Ch  
 7:30PM Choir (11:15) Practice – Rm. A

Fri., April 13 1:00PM African Angels – Rm. A

Sat., April 14 9:30AM Prayer Group – Rm. A

Sat., April 14 4:30PM Rosary – Church

Sun., April 15 9:30AM Children’s Liturgy  
**First Communion/Confirmation** at the 9:30 & 11:15 Masses  
 Coffee will be served after all morning Masses  
 3:00PM Devotion to the Divine Mercy – Ch

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

**-our parishioners-** Laurette Allen, 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), Mike Lowe (husband of Barbara), 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, Martin Sedlar (husband of Santa), 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)

## *Pastor’s Column...*

### **“ONLY THREE DAYS”**

Mrs. De Gaulle went to the undertaker saying she would like to pick the grave site for her ailing husband. The man gladly took her in his limousine to a scenic hillside overlooking a majestic valley. “This”, he said, “is a resting place worthy of your great husband and it costs only 200,000 francs.” She gasped at the sum, but he continued. “He is surely worth that much.” To which she replied, “But he only wants it for three days.” This dialogue summarizes the meaning of Easter.

When we celebrate Easter as the most important feast of our faith we rejoice in a God who faces death frankly and who outstares it with the power of his own love. Resurrection is God’s protest against the finality of death. Resurrection is God having the last laugh.

As Mrs De Gaulle points out the grave is not our ‘permanent bed.’ We are Easter people. It is the centrality of our faith. As St. Paul says “If Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain and your faith is in vain.” (I Cor 15:14)

We wish all our dear parishioners the Joy and Peace of the Risen Lord. May we continue to become an Easter Community.

Fr. James Raphael and Fr. Lukose

**HEARTY CONGRATULATIONS** and welcome to Deanne Ellis and Mark Walker, who have successfully completed the RCIA programme and received the Sacraments of Confirmation. Well done Deanne and Mark and welcome to our faith community.

**CONFIRMATION AND FIRST EUCHARIST PRACTICE:** Parent's are reminded to attend one of the practices—**Tuesday, April 10 OR Thursday, April 12 at 7 p.m. in the Church.** The sponsors are encouraged to attend (if possible). Please call the office at 613-731-7834 before the practice to provide the name of your child's sponsor for Confirmation otherwise bring your sponsor's name and address with you to the practice.

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

**APRIL 15 IS 'DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY'.** "Mankind will not have peace until it turns with trust to My Mercy" (St. Faustina's Diary 300). Join us at 3 p.m. as we invoke God's Divine Mercy on our families, parish, country and our world.

**ELECTIONS** to fill three positions on Parish Pastoral Council will be held on May 12/13. 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 Raphael, Jean Bélanger, Karen Flynn and Greg Yost. Nomination forms are available at the Walkley Rd. and parking lot doors and must be submitted no later than May 05/06. The nomination forms should include a picture and a statement as to what they would wish to contribute to the PPC. For information call Karen Flynn at 613-822-9527 or Jean Bélanger at 613-241-6786.

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS – The ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING** for Holy Cross Parish will be held on **Sunday, May 06 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. Please consider spending an hour out of your day to hear about the activities within your community.

**ANNUAL DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS:** For couples celebrating their 25, 40, 50, 60<sup>th</sup> or more anniversary this year. The Mass is on **Sunday, May 06 at 2:30 p.m. at Note Dame Cathedral.** Please return the completed registration form (on bulletin board at back of Church) before April 27. For info call 613-738-5025 ext. 217.

**FORGET TO PICKUP A COPY OF THE BULLETIN?** Wondering what time mass is? Trying to remember details of an upcoming event? Visit our website at [www.holycrossparish.com](http://www.holycrossparish.com) for your parish news, events and activities. If you have something that you'd like to see on the site, use the contact form to let us know and help improve your parish website.

**BIRTHDAY THANKS:** A heart felt thank you to the priests and deacon of Holy Cross, the Hospitality Committee and the Knights of Columbus for a wonderful birthday celebration. It felt good to be 85. I also appreciated the many greeting cards (some with generous gifts of money). As always, the kitchen crew and makers of goodies and sandwiches excelled. It was great to celebrate the 11:15 Mass with good people and beautiful music. I also greeted friends who

attended other Masses. See you again when I turn 90. Be assured of my daily prayers. Fr. Reg MacNeil

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### **CIRCLE YOUR CALENDARS...FOR HOLY CROSS' INDO-CANADIAN GALA DINNER** on **FRIDAY, MAY 11 at 6 p.m.**

Enjoy many exotic varieties of Indian/Canadian dishes prepared by Coconut Lagoon Restaurant; cash bar, silent auction, door prizes, Irish/Indian Dancers and much, much more! Cost: \$35/per person; \$15/children (12 yrs. & under). All cheques are to be made to "**Claretian Fathers of Quebec**". Tickets will be sold after all the Masses until May 05/06. You may also come to the parish office during working hours as well. The **Proceeds will go towards the CLARETIAN MISSIONS IN INDIA.** Donations of good quality articles will be greatly appreciated for the silent auction and may be dropped off at the parish office by April 30.

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### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Knights of Columbus Holy Cross Council are reminded of the regular monthly general meeting on Wednesday, April 18 in the parish hall at 7:30 p.m. Following the meeting guest speaker Father Maxime Allard of the Dominican University College will speak on "*Second Vatican Council, 42 years after? Has the Catholic Church embraced Vatican II? Is there retrenchment after the changes introduced in the first few years?*" All Parishioners are welcomed at 8:30 p.m.

### PASTORAL CARE

Our Pastoral Care Team is available to visit and/or bring Holy Communion to parishioners who are unable to get to church over Easter. Please contact Betty Dillon at 613-521-2887. We wish everyone a Happy Easter!!

### *Social Action...*

#### MISSION, PEACE, AND DEVELOPMENT

We received a lengthy and positive e-mail from our sister community in Nicaragua. Holy Cross parish began a commitment to Nicaragua in 1982 and has maintained that connection ever since. Our parish provides support to a community of poor people in a neighbourhood of Managua called barrio El Recreo. About 15 years ago, Sister Ana Maria, a Sister of Sion, was instrumental in setting up a project named Generando Vida (Generating Life). In the e-mail, some of the community leaders wrote of their participation in the various programs that constitute the project. One of the more interesting programs is the Trust Bank. Women, normally ineligible for a bank loan, can borrow from the pooled assets of the group. The loan period is 16 weeks and includes three meetings to monitor and evaluate the progress of the 'business'. Maria Theresa makes and sells doughnuts, Karen sells sandals and used clothing, Marielis cream and cheese. Should a woman be late in repaying her loan, the group gets together to discuss the reasons and usually chips in to help her make the repayment.

*ALLELUIA! HE IS RISEN!*  
*ALLELUIA!*