



SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER – 15 APRIL 2007

**“Blessed are those who have not seen
and yet have come to believe.”**

(Today’s Readings: Acts 5:12-16; Rev 1:9-11, 12-13, 17-19; John 20:19-31)

Announced mass intentions...

Sat., April 14 5:00PM Mass – Holy Cross Parishioners

Sun., April 15 **SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER**
 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)
 In Thanksgiving

Mon., April 16 12:15PM **NO** Mass

Tues., April 17 12:15PM Mass

Wed., April 18 12:15PM Mass

Thurs., April 19 9:00AM Communion Service held at
 Billings Lodge
 10:00AM Mass at Billingswood Manor
 12:15PM Mass – Gerta Patry+
 Pro Life

Fri., April 20 12:15PM Mass

Sat., April 21 5:00PM Mass – Alexander Choo+
 Angelina Chan+

Sun., April 22 **THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER**
 8:00AM Mass – Holy Cross Parishioners
 9:30AM Mass – Pauline Forgues+
 Charlotte Bernauer+
 11:15AM Mass – Mary McClory+
 7:30PM Mass

Events Calendar

Sat., April 14 9:30AM Prayer Group – Rm. A
 4:00PM Rosary – Church

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

Mon., April 16 12:15PM **NO** Mass

Tues., April 17 7:00PM Finance – Rm. A
 7:30PM RCIA – Library
 8:00PM A.A. – Hall

Wed., April 18 7:30PM Choir (7:30) Practice – Church
 7:30PM K of C general meeting – hall

Thurs., April 19 6:30PM Christian Meditation – Rm. A
 7:30PM Choir (11:15) Practice – Rm. A

Sat., April 21 9:30AM Prayer Group – Rm. A
 4:30PM Rosary – Church

Sun., April 22 9:30AM Children’s Liturgy
First Communion/Confirmation at the 9:30 & 11:15 Masses
Financial Planned Giving Program after all Masses – hall

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), Patricia Joseph, 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 Lorbitskie (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)

COLLECTION REPORT

~ A Summary of Your Generosity ~

Good Friday – \$3,496.52

Easter Sunday – \$7,528.57 (env.) / \$2,105.27 (loose)

Pastor’s Column...

MY LORD AND MY GOD

Timothy Radcliffe commented on this passage: “It is the sight of the wounded Christ that frees the disciples from fear and makes them glad. It is the wounded Christ that transforms them into preachers.

One cannot be a preacher without getting wounded. The Word became flesh, and was hurt and killed. He was powerless in the face of the powers of this world...

When we see the wounded Christ, then we can face the fact that we are already hurt. Perhaps we have been hurt by our childhood, by growing up in dysfunctional families...by blotched attempts to love, by ideological conflicts in the Church, by sin. Every one of us is a wounded preacher. But the good news is that we are preachers because we are wounded.

How can we all be preachers in our lives? St. Francis of Assisi says, “Christians should always preach the Gospel, sometimes using words.” The message is clear. It should be

done more with deeds because we are Easter People. Let the proclamation of St. Thomas raise from our hearts too: "My Lord and my God."

On behalf of the parish, I extend our **deep appreciation** to all who participated in our beautiful **HOLY WEEK** liturgies. Many thanks to our Liturgy Committee, lectors, eucharistic ministers, RCIA Team, Knights of Columbus, altar servers, decorators, Hospitality Committee, our music ministers, who came together and created "a joyful noise to the Lord" and above all our Dear Parishioners.

THANK YOU to all who donated money to purchase Easter lilies in memory of a loved one.

CONGRATULATIONS to **Deanne Ellis** and **Mark Walker** who were initiated into the Church at our Easter Vigil.

Fr. James Raphael CMF
Pastor

Parish News and Community Life...

HOLY CROSS' INDO-CANADIAN GALA DINNER is 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**". The **Proceeds will go towards the CLARETIAN MISSIONS IN INDIA**. Tickets will be sold after all the Masses until May 05/06 and/or you may also come to the parish office during working hours. Donations of good quality articles will be greatly appreciated for the silent auction/door prizes and may be dropped off at the parish office during working hours by April 30.

WE NEED YOUR HELP...WE ARE MISSING THE NAMES for the following 2007 envelopes: **#178, 270, 387, 428, 495, 507, 509, & 520**. In order to distribute proper tax receipts for next year we need the holders of these envelopes to please **contact the office** with your name, address and phone number or print this information on your envelope. Thank you for your cooperation.

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. entrance 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: Couples celebrating their 25, 40, 50, 60th or more anniversary this year are invited to return a completed registration form

(on bulletin board at back of Church) before **April 27**. The Mass is on **Sunday, May 06 at 2:30 p.m. at Note Dame Cathedral**. For more information 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? We invite you to visit our website at www.holycrossparish.com for your parish news, events and activities. If you have something that you'd like to see on the site or if you have any suggestions to help improve your parish website, use the contact form to let us know.

CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK: Each year during Catholic Education Week, we celebrate the unique identity and distinctive contributions of Catholic education in Ontario. As we celebrate 150 years of Catholic education in this province, our Catholic faith emphasizes the belief that all persons are made in the image of God and that Christ shows us the fullest expression of God's image alive in each of us. Our Catholic schools foster the excellence of all students through the dedicated efforts of our teaching and support staff. Join the community of the Ottawa Catholic School Board in celebrating our theme "*Who is my Neighbour*" during Catholic Education Week April 29 - May 04.

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.

Social Action...

MISSION, PEACE, AND DEVELOPMENT

For a number of years now, local Catholic High School students have chosen to forego the leisure of a March break holiday and opted instead for a week of work and learning in the global south. Parishioner Margie Duthie, a teacher at St. Mark's High School in Manotick, has been involved as organizer/leader/parent for over 10 years with the St. Mark exposure trip to the Dominican Republic. The students live and work with the impoverished families who struggle to eke out a living cutting sugar cane. Margie's daughter Kaitlyn, even as a youngster, accompanied mom on these trips and continued doing so as she moved into her teens. This year Kaitlyn joined her Immaculata class mates for that school's trip to the Dominican Republic. Margie and Kaitlyn will share their experiences with us at our May MPD meeting. While of interest to all, their presentation should be of particular importance to parents whose children may soon be considering a similar venture.

Our Angel Makers have crafted special boy and girl Angels, dressed in white and suitable as First Communion gifts. The Angels are \$5 with all proceeds going to Africa. If you are interested in purchasing some Angels please call Anna Dorner at 613-739-0963 or Lorna Kingston at 613-526-0402.