



## FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT – 21 MARCH 2010

*“...Jesus straightened up and said to them,  
‘Let anyone among you who is without sin  
be the first to throw a stone at her.’”*

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

### *Announced Mass Intentions...*

- Sat., March 20 5:00PM Mass – Holy Cross Parishioners  
 Sun., March 21 **FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT**  
 8:00AM Mass – Elizabeth Drouillard+  
 O’Hara & Ryan Family+  
 9:30AM Mass – Wilfredo Encarnacion+  
 11:15AM Mass – Bill O’Neill+  
 Gregory Kawecki+  
 7:30PM Mass – Mary Smith+  
 Mon., March 22 12:15PM **NO Mass**  
 Tues., March 23 9:30AM Mass  
 Wed., March 24 12:15PM Mass – Huguette Landreville  
 Thurs., March 25 9:00AM Communion Service held at  
 Billings Lodge  
 10:00AM Mass at Windsor Park Manor  
 12:15PM Mass – Natasha Randing (lvg)  
 Gerta Patry+  
 Souls in Purgatory  
 Fri., March 26 12:15PM Mass – Carmen Thibault+  
 Sat., March 27 5:00PM Mass – Carl Gibbons+  
 Sun., March 28 **PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD’S PASSION**  
 8:00AM Mass – Holy Cross Parishioners  
 9:30AM Mass – Ashley Hibbard+  
 11:15AM Mass – Deacon Bruce McLeod+  
 Gordon Bull+  
 Souls in Purgatory  
 7:30PM Mass

### *Events Calendar*

- Sat., March 20 9:30AM Prayer Group – Rm. A  
 4:30PM Rosary – Church  
 Sun., March 21 9:30AM Children’s Liturgy  
**COFFEE SUNDAY** after all morning Masses – hall  
 Mon., March 22 7:00PM RCIA – Rm. A  
 Tues., March 23 7:00PM Practice for First Communion  
 8:00PM A.A. – Hall  
 Wed., March 24 7:00PM Parish Pastoral Council – Rm. A  
 7:30PM Music (7:30) practice – Church  
 Thurs., March 25 7:00PM Choir (11:15) practice – Church  
 Fri., March 26 6:30PM **ADORATION**  
 7:00PM **STATIONS OF THE CROSS**  
 Sat., March 27 9:30AM Prayer Group – Rm. A  
 4:30PM Rosary – Church  
 Sun., March 28 9:30AM Children’s Liturgy

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

**-our parishioners-** Laurette Allen, Colleen Bonnah, Vivian Braganza, Barbara Cullinan, Margaret Flewelling, Betty Hubbard, Betty Hurst,,Cam Johnson, Patricia Joseph, Edwina

Laternus, Romeo Maione, Mabel McFarlane, Yolanda Miron, Irene Mooney, Bill & Margaret Mullen, Sheila Power (wife of Doug), Michael O’Sullivan, Margaret Ross, Claude Thibault (husband of Geneva), Ray & Betty Valin  
**-relatives-** Cardinal Alojzi Ambrozic, Fr. Bob Bedard, Mary Beggan (sister of Anne Cooper), Arlene Belot (sister of Jay Lukenbill), Stephanie Charlebois (daughter of Lorna & Alvin Mahoney), Monica Desjardin (daughter of Leo), Len Desmarias (brother-in-law of Mary Simms), John Sr. & Margaret Dorner (parents of John), Estelle Freed (daughter of Helen Dick), Fay Hunt (sister-in-law of Beryl Budzinski), Cathy Jirsch (sister of Aileen Halls), Jessie Kennedy, Marie Kennedy (sister of Sheila Shields), Elma Kramers (mother of Eric), Sharon Ladouceur (sister of Sheila Shields), Sarah Laternus (granddaughter of Frank & Edwina), Guy Lavack (son of George Lavack), Marie Miele (mother of Christine), Lisa Nancarrow (daughter of Janet & Robin), Albert Ozorio (father of Rui), Donald Pajot (brother of Marc), Ted Vullings (father of Gerry)  
**WE ALSO PRAY** for our Catechumens: Anthonia Bejide, Patricia Bejide, Ly (Lee) Do and Holly Nicks

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### COLLECTION REPORT

07 March 2010 – \$4,369.75 (env) / \$535.73 (loose)

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### *Pastor’s Column...*

**TODAY’S GOSPEL – John 8:1-11**

#### WRETCHEDNESS VS MERCY

A woman is brought to Jesus caught in adultery—it is a set-up to trap Jesus. They care nothing for the woman or the law or truth. They want Jesus to make a decision that will turn a group against him. If he chooses the law then he will lose the people. If he chooses mercy than the leaders and priests, etc will have more information to use against him. But Jesus does a new thing. He makes a path in a crowd that seeks to kill and leaders that are inhuman, self-righteous, and evil. He does nothing and refuses to choose one of their options. His choice is always the truth, and forgiveness and mercy—no matter the consequences. And us—where do we stand? With those quick to condemn others and make them pay publicly for what they did (not really caring about the law, but intent on going after people)? Or are we at least honest enough to know we stand with the woman, caught in our unfaithfulness, yet offered the protection and forgiveness of God?

God bless,  
 Fr. James Raphael CMF  
 Pastor

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

**PRACTICE FOR THE SACRAMENT OF FIRST COMMUNION** will be on **Tuesday, March 23 at 7 p.m.** in the Church. Please ensure that you attend the practice with your child.

**GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION** – During Good Friday on **April 02**, a collection for the Holy Land will be taken in this Church and throughout the world. The fruits of this pontifical collection will support the Church in Jerusalem and assist in the Works of the Custody of the Holy Land. This collection is of great importance. Let us be generous so that these holy sites sanctified by Jesus' life on earth may be protected and preserved and may Peace return to this land.

**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY — APRIL 11** (Second Sunday of Easter). Everyone is invited to celebrate the **Feast of Divine Mercy on Sunday, April 11 at 3 p.m.** The world is in great need of God's Mercy and we invite everyone to come and pray with us.

**BILLETS NEEDED FROM MAY 21 - 24.** We are in need of three families who would be able to host 2 participants each for the Youth Summit on May 21 – May 24, 2010. If you are able to assist, please contact the parish office at 613-731-7834.

### 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 03.** 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.

### PASTORAL CARE

OUR TRAINED PASTORAL CARE TEAM MEMBERS are available to visit and/or bring Holy Communion to the sick, house-bound, lonely, or bereaved. Please call Pat Jackson at 613-523-5470.

### YOUTH CORNER

All youth grade 4 and up are invited to meeting room A **after the 9:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, March 28** for a small talk and refreshments. Sarah Proulx will be speaking on "*How Moses' trust in God led him to follow the right path*". Parents are invited to stay for coffee.

**THE PASSION PLAY:** Produced jointly by youth groups of Annunciation of the Lord Parish and Divine Infant Parish. There will be 2 showings: **Friday, March 26 at 8:00 p.m.** at **Annunciation of the Lord Parish** and on **Good Friday, April 02 at 8 p.m.** at **St. Mary's Parish.** For more information call Jim Meuse at 613-744-3026.

## *Social Action...*

### MISSION, PEACE, AND DEVELOPMENT

In his encyclical Caritas in Veritate, Benedict XVI writes: "*Openness to God makes us open to our brothers and sisters and towards an understanding of life as a joyful task to be accomplished in a spirit of solidarity.*" Today is Solidarity Sunday when we express solidarity with the impoverished of the Global South through the Share Lent campaign. We

thank those who have already done so and encourage others to do likewise. Please use the Share Lent envelope in your package or pick up a D&P envelope at the MPD table at the back of the church.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP – EARTH HOUR 2010**

All parishioners are invited to participate in Earth Hour on Saturday, March 27 from 8:30 to 9:30 pm. St. Peter's Basilica in Vatican City participated in 2009, helping point out the need to reflect on our use of fossil fuels and on the impact of our lifestyles on people and ecosystems throughout the world. By participating we show support for the personal and political will necessary to combat the destruction of our environment – God's Creation. How does one participate? Firstly we register [wwf.ca/earthhour/](http://wwf.ca/earthhour/). Secondly we educate ourselves of many Earth Hour possibilities at the KAIROS website [www.kairoscanada.org](http://www.kairoscanada.org). On March 27 join hundreds of millions of people around the world at Earth Hour, shutting off our lights at 8:30 p.m.

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### **ADORATION AND STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

#### **Friday, March 26**

6:30 p.m. – Adoration                      7:00 p.m. – Stations of the Cross

#### **GOOD FRIDAY – April 02**

7:30 p.m. – Stations of the Cross

### **CHRISM MASS**

Archbishop Terrence Prendergast invites all the faithful for the Chrism Mass on **Tuesday, March 30 at 7:30 p.m.** at Notre Dame Cathedral.

### **EASTER TRIDUUM**

#### **Our three most holy days:**

**\*\*HOLY THURSDAY – 01 April** at 8:00 p.m. – Mass of the Lord's Supper with the washing of feet.

**\*\*GOOD FRIDAY – 02 April** – Children's Liturgy, including Stations of the Cross at 10:30 a.m. and the **Solemn Celebration of the Lord's Passion at 3:00 p.m.** A Universal Day of fasting and abstinence. The collection is taken for the Holy Land.

**NOTE: STATIONS OF THE CROSS on GOOD FRIDAY will start at 7:30 p.m.**

**\*\*HOLY SATURDAY – Easter Vigil Mass – 03 April at 8:00 p.m.** – A candlelight beginning, listening to the story of salvation history, culminating in the Easter story.

**EASTER SUNDAY MASSES – 04 April** – 8, 9:30, 11:15 a.m. There will be **NO** 7:30 evening Mass.

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

**PLEASE NOTE:** There will be **NO** 12:15 noon Mass on Holy Thursday and on Good Friday. There will be **NO** 9:30 a.m. Mass on Tuesday, April 06.

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| <p><b>Have you considered a gift <u>in your WILL</u> to provide for the faith life of future generations?</b><br/><b>IN YOUR GENEROSITY, please <u>consider a donation or bequest</u> to Holy Cross Parish.</b></p> |
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