



FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER – 25 APRIL 2010

**“Jesus said, ‘My sheep hear my voice.
I know them and they follow me.
I give them eternal life, and they will never perish.’”**

(Readings: Acts: 13:14, 43-52; Revelation 7:9, 14-17; John 10:27-30)

(Next weekends Readings: Acts 14:21-27; Revelation 21:1-5; John 13:1, 31-33, 34-35)

Announced Mass Intentions...

- Sat., April 24 5:00PM Mass – Ralph, Lucie and
Renée Gardner+
Peral Sanchez+
- Sun., April 25 **FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**
8:00AM Mass – Holy Cross Parishioners
9:30AM Mass – Ashley Hibbard+
Carl Gibbons+
Merryl Jayasinghe+
11:15AM Mass – In Thanksgiving
Edward Lally+
Souls in Purgatory
7:30PM Mass
- Mon., April 26 12:15PM **NO MASS**
- Tues., April 27 9:30AM Mass – Dorothy Kearney+
- Wed., April 28 12:15PM Mass – Huguette Landreville+
- Thurs., April 29 9:00AM Communion Service held at
Billings Lodge
10:00AM Communion Service held at
Windsor Park Manor
12:15PM Mass – Mary Baicer+
- Fri., April 30 12:15PM Mass – Raymond Moore+
- Sat., May 01 5:00PM Mass – Ralph, Lucie and
Renée Gardner+
Ortencia Francisco+
- Sun., May 02 **FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**
8:00AM Mass
9:30AM Mass – In Thanksgiving
Arleigh Slanina+
11:15AM Mass – Personal Intentions
Marcella Isolina Santucci+
Souls in Purgatory
7:30PM Mass – Holy Cross Parishioners

Events Calendar

- Sat., April 24 9:30AM Prayer Group – Rm. A
- Sun., April 25 9:30AM Children’s Liturgy
Sacrament of First Communion at the 11:15 Mass
- Mon., April 26 7:00PM RCIA – Rm. A
- Tues., April 27 8:00PM A.A. – Hall
- Wed., April 28 7:00PM Parish Pastoral Council – Rm. A
7:30PM Music (7:30) practice – Church
- Thurs., April 29 7:00PM Choir (11:15) practice – Church
- Sat., May 01 9:00AM **PARISH CLEAN-UP DAY**
4:30PM Rosary – Church
- Sun., May 02 9:30AM Children’s Liturgy

We remember in our prayers the sick...

-our parishioners- Laurette Allen, Colleen Bonnah, Vivian Braganza, Barbara Cullinan, Herb Durand, Margaret Flewelling, Ed Hamilton, Betty Hubbard, Betty Hurst, Patricia Joseph, Edwina Laternus, Romeo Maione, Mabel McFarlane, Yolanda Miron, Irene Mooney, Margaret Mullen, Sheila Power, Michael O’Sullivan, Margaret Ross, Claude Thibault, Ray & Betty Valin

-relatives- Cardinal Alojzi Ambrozic, Fr. Bob Bedard, 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), 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)

-the deceased- Cathy Nevins (wife of Brian Nevins), Mary Beggan (sister of Anne Cooper)

COLLECTION REPORT

18 April 2010 – \$5,174.85 (env) / \$971.90 (loose)

~ Thank you for your generosity and support ~

Pastor’s Column...

THE GOOD SHEPHERD

When a shepherd in Scotland was asked if his sheep would follow the voice of a stranger, he replied, “Yes, when they are sick, but never when they are well.” A sick sheep will follow anybody.

Nowadays we see a lot of sick sheep around us. They are of the same flock but unfortunately they are ‘sick’; sick of religious illiteracy, sick of faith illiteracy, sick of not being able to distinguish and acknowledge the members of their own flock, and always waiting for an opportunity to add insult to the injury. They pop up everywhere like mushrooms projecting that they have the last word. What should be the flock’s reaction to such ‘sicknesses’? First, treat them like patients, ignoring their hallucinating and deluding jargons. Pray for their recovery. Second, pray continuously that they may get well soon to recognize the voice of the Good Shepherd.

God Bless,
Fr. James Raphael CMF
Pastor

Parish News and Community Life...

The funeral for Cathy Nevins, wife of Brian Nevins (Chair of our Finance Council) will be held at Holy Cross on Monday, April 26 at 11 a.m. Visitation will be held on Sunday, April 25 from 1 – 4 and 6 – 9 p.m. at Kelly's Funeral Home at 580 Eagleson Rd. in Kanata.

CONGRATULATIONS to all the children who celebrated the Sacrament of Holy Communion for the first time on Sunday, April 25: **Mika-Rose Boyle, Shanelle Charron, John Chu, Christopher Gallaza, Jamie Guindon, Devon Joseph, Colleen La Prairie-McSwiggan, Aidon Lawlor, Jorja Petrie, Joseph Slinger and Jonalyne Villegas.** "May they keep the flame of faith alive in their hearts."

PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND—IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF Jesus — accompanied by Fr. James Raphael (12 days/10 nights): Come and follow the footsteps of Jesus in an amazing journey to the Holy Land. Trace the roots of Christian tradition as we cross desert and mountains to the cities of Jerusalem, Bethlehem and Nazareth. Date: **October 30 – November 10, 2010.** Brochures may be found on the bulletin board at the entrance of the Church. Space is limited so book early. If interested or for information contact Agape Travel at 613-863-9939 or Sandra@agapetravel.ca

CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK: May 02 – May 07: During Catholic Education Week, we celebrate the unique identity and distinctive contributions of Catholic education in Ontario. Our Catholic faith emphasizes the belief that all persons are created in the image of God and that Christ shows us the fullest expression of God's image alive in each of us. Catholic schools foster the full potential of all students through the dedicated efforts of our teaching and support staff. Join the Ottawa Catholic School Board in celebrating our spiritual theme, *We Care for God's Creation.*

MARK YOUR CALENDARS—It is that time of the year again to let you know our **HOLY CROSS PARISH GOLF TOURNAMENT** is scheduled for **July 23** at the Hylands Golf Club with a 1:30 p.m. shot gun start. More details will follow in the upcoming bulletins.



PARISH CLEAN-UP DAY – It is spring! Our Parish needs to breathe the fragrance of the season. So let us come together to beautify **OUR PARISH** and its surroundings. We are in need of volunteers to join us for a clean-up day on **Saturday, May 01 from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.** in helping make our Parish beautiful! Volunteer hours will be given to high school students for their contribution. Bring your pails and rubber gloves etc as we join together as one family in making Holy Cross beautiful.



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 Myrna Vullings at 613-737-0755.

YOUTH CORNER

The Youth Group would like to **THANK ALL PARISHIONERS** for your unending support in making last Sunday's bake sale

a huge success. Congratulations to Alex Howard for winning the Youth Group 'cake raffle'. Thanks to the Hospitality Committee for simultaneously hosting Coffee Sunday and for providing the Youth Group with their baking expertise and thank you to all the volunteers who baked for the sale. **ALL YOUTH GRADES 4 AND UP** are invited to meeting room A after the 9:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, April 25 for a short talk and refreshments. This month's talk will be on "*The Ordinary Become the Extraordinary*". Parents are welcome to stay for coffee.

Social Action...

MISSION, PEACE, AND DEVELOPMENT

Helping With Furniture (HWF) is an Ottawa group that assists refugee claimant families who arrive here with little or nothing. So far they have helped to settle close to 500 refugee families, many in neighbourhoods quite close to Holy Cross. At present HWF has a chronic shortage of a few key items namely lamps of all types, coffee makers, tea kettles and toasters. They must be clean and in good working condition. The group also takes larger items of furniture as well as linens but their storage space is limited. If you can be of assistance please call 613-741-2813 or email kgoff@helpingwithfurniture.org.

MPD meets on Tuesday, May 04 at 7:30 p.m. in the Library.

ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP – People of Faith

Last Sunday the annual Abraham Festival was celebrated in Peterborough. This year the festival partnered with Faith and the Common Good. Its focus was on how Christians, Muslims, and Jews are expected to protect the environment. Speakers from each faith tradition shared the view that we must be bold and forthright about protecting creation, saying that the actions of our faith leaders and our membership demonstrate our integrity. That is what leads to essential change in the wider community including the policies of political leaders. At the celebration St. Joseph Parish of Ottawa received a provincial Green Sacred Space Award because of its leadership in environmental stewardship that impacts on the wider community. Congratulations St. Joseph's Parish!

Humour for the Week...

A father was approached by his small son who told him proudly, "I know what the Bible means!" His father smiled and replied, "What do you mean, you 'know' what the Bible means? The son replied, "I do know!" "Okay," said his father. "What does the Bible mean?" "That's easy, Daddy..." the young boy replied excitedly, "It stands for 'Basic Information Before Leaving Earth.'"

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There was a very gracious lady who was mailing an old family Bible to her brother in another part of the country. "Is there anything breakable in here?" asked the postal clerk. "Only the Ten Commandments!!" answered the lady.



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**Have you considered a gift in your WILL to provide for the faith life of future generations? IN YOUR GENEROSITY, please consider a donation or bequest to Holy Cross Parish.**

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