



4th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – 31 JANUARY 2010

“And he said, ‘Truly I tell you, no Prophet is accepted in his hometown.’”

(Readings: Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19; 1 Corinthians 12:31-13:13; Luke 4:21-30)

(Next weekends Readings: Isaiah 6:1-2, 3-8; 1 Corinthians 15:1-11; Luke 5:1-11)

Announced Mass Intentions...

Sat., Jan. 30 5:00PM Mass – Huguette Landreville+

Sun., Jan. 31 **FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
 8:00AM Mass – Holy Cross Parishioners
 9:30AM Mass – James Dick+
 11:15AM Mass – Souls in Purgatory
 7:30PM Mass – Robert Jackson+

Mon., Feb. 01 12:15PM **NO MASS**

Tues., Feb. 02 9:30AM Mass – David Doherty+
 Valerie Goldsmith+

Wed., Feb. 03 12:15PM Mass

Thurs., Feb. 04 9:00AM Communion Service held at
 Billings Lodge
 10:00AM Communion Service held at
 Windsor Park Manor
 12:15PM Mass – Marcel Cole+

Fri., Feb. 05 11:00AM **ADORATION** until 12 noon
 12:15PM Mass

Sat., Feb. 06 5:00PM Mass – Ralph & Lucie Gardner+
 Gerald Quinton+
 Barry O’Leary+

Sun., Feb. 07 **FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
 8:00AM Mass – Valerie Goldsmith+
 In Thanksgiving to St. Anthony
 9:30AM Mass – Molly Belanger+
 11:15AM Mass – Souls in Purgatory
 7:30PM Mass – Holy Cross Parishioners

Events Calendar

Sat., Jan. 30 9:30AM Prayer Group – Rm. A
 4:30PM Rosary – Church
 6:00PM **Holy Cross’ Pasta Night** – hall

Sun., Jan. 31 9:30AM Children’s Liturgy
 Speaker at all Masses regarding CCO

Mon., Feb. 01 7:00PM RCIA – Rm. A
 7:30PM K of C Executive meeting

Tues., Feb. 02 8:00PM A.A. – Hall

Wed., Feb. 03 7:00PM Liturgy – Rm. A
 7:30PM Music (7:30) practice – Church

Thurs., Feb. 04 7:00PM Choir (11:15) practice – Church
 7:30PM Hospitality Committee – Library

Fri., Feb. 05 1:00PM African Angels – Rm. A

Sat., Feb. 06 9:30AM Prayer Group – Rm. A
 4:30PM Rosary – Church

Sun., Feb. 07 9:30AM Children’s Liturgy
 Knights of Columbus speaking at all Masses
Coffee Sunday – after all morning Masses

We remember in our prayers the sick...

-our parishioners- Laurette Allen, Elena Argumedo, Colleen

Bonnah, Vivian Braganza, Barbara Cullinan, Betty Hubbard, Betty Hurst, Cam Johnson, Patricia Joseph, Edwina Laternus, Romeo Maione, Mabel McFarlane, Yolanda Miron, Bill Mullen, Sheila Power (wife of Doug), Margaret Ross, Claude Thibault (husband of Geneva), Ray & Betty Valin

-relatives- Tillie Andruchow (mother of Jean Ryan), 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 Desmaris (brother-in-law of Mary Simms), John Sr. & Margaret Dornier (parents of John), Keith Esmond (father of Liz), 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), Geo Sylvester, Ted Vullings (father of Gerry)

-the deceased- Roger Chartrand (son of Emile Chartrand)

WE ALSO PRAY for our RCIA Candidates: Anthonia Bejide, Patricia Bejide, Brent Burbridge, Ly (Lee) Do and Holly Nicks

COLLECTION REPORT

24 January 2010 – \$4,234.40 (env) / \$538.35 (loose)

Haiti Earthquake Relief – \$8,853.18

~ Thank you for your generosity and support ~

Pastor’s Column...

TODAY’S GOSPEL – LUKE 4:21-30

“NO PROPHET IS ACCEPTED IN HIS HOMETOWN”

St. Augustine lived more than fifteen centuries ago, but he was not the first to use the expression “familiarity breeds contempt,” he quoted it as “a common saying,” vulgare proverbium. It is an even more common experience. Jesus experienced it, and what he said on that occasion has itself become a proverb “Prophets are not honoured in their own country.”

The rejection of Jesus in his hometown was therefore no surprise. The whole world knows that familiarity breeds contempt! It’s a bitter truth that the people closest to you are sometimes the least likely to support you. Is it true in your own experience? You may say, “No, my family is supportive.” You are blessed. But look carefully and see if they support you only so long as you support their image of themselves. The people of Nazareth agreed with Jesus only just so long as he agreed with them! As soon as he began to say things they didn’t like---they tried to throw him over a cliff.

Every committed Christian is challenged to prophetically confront suffering and division to help lead the world toward peace and love.

God bless.

Fr. James Raphael CMF

Pastor

Parish News and Community Life...

SUNDAY OFFERING—PRE-AUTHORIZED PAYMENT

(PAP): Do you scramble to find change for your church envelope every week? Do you want to simplify your financial contributions? Did you know that Holy Cross Parish offers a pre-authorized payment option? This option provides financial certainty for the parish and carefree giving for you. Just contact the office at 613-731-7834 to complete the necessary forms and the amount you designate will be deducted automatically from your bank account each month and credited to your envelope number.

2010 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES are still available for pick up at the back of the church. Please write your name, address, etc on the enclosed slip of paper and leave it in the basket for our records.

WE ARE MISSING THE NAMES for the following **2010 offertory envelopes: #335 and 382.** In order to distribute proper tax receipts to the holders of these envelopes we would ask you to please call the parish office and leave your name, address and phone number with us.

CATHOLIC CHRISTIAN OUTREACH BANQUET WITH

CARDINAL LEVADA: On Monday, March 8, there will be a banquet/fundraiser for Catholic Christian Outreach (CCO) with guest speaker William Joseph Cardinal Levada (the Vatican's Prefect of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith). The banquet will be at the Westin Hotel (11 Colonel By Drive) - doors open at 5:45 p.m. with dinner starting at 6:45 p.m. A Mass with Cardinal Levada will also be held on March 8 at Notre Dame Cathedral at 4:30 p.m. To obtain tickets to the banquet (\$125 each, with a \$60 tax receipt), contact Joe Goski at 613-731-4622 or CCO at 613-736-1999.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST: Ash Wednesday is coming quickly, and once again it's time for the annual Parish

Pancake Breakfast! We'll be serving a great breakfast including pancakes, syrup, ham, coffee and juice after all morning Masses on **Sunday, February 14** after all the morning Masses. Everyone is welcome to come out for great meal! Tickets are a great deal at

just \$3 each or \$10 per family and will be available after all weekend Masses until the breakfast, and there will be tickets available at the door.

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 Alex Howard at 613-523-4694.

Social Action...

MISSION, PEACE, AND DEVELOPMENT

After taking a rest in January our Angel Makers will start up again this Friday, February 05. We will be meeting every second Friday from 1 p.m. – 4 p.m. in room A. If you would like to participate you are welcome to just drop by. There is a wide variety of tasks involved in crafting the Angels so we can easily find a job that matches your interest.

Our first **FOOD DRIVE** of the year will take place in three weeks, a good way to start the Lenten season. We will use the reverse offering format where you pick from the basket to identify the food item you are encouraged to bring.

ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP

In his 2010 *World Day of Peace Message* Pope Benedict reflected on his recent encyclical where he stated that "every economic decision has a moral consequence". How would such a statement apply to individuals? Do we stop to think about the consequences of each decision that we make regarding our purchases? For example, when purchasing paper products as basic as bathroom tissue do we consider the source of the paper and the impact of our choice on the environment? Purchasing paper products from recycled sources saves trees and contributes to the economy of the recycling industry. **Tip of the Week:** *Before making a purchase, Stop – Think – and then Act.*

Other items of interest...

LECTIO DIVINA: Session with Stephen Binz on LECTIO DIVINA, the reflection on the Word of God in our daily lives. Stephen J. Binz is a Catholic biblical scholar, and award-winning author of more than two dozen books on the Bible, including the acclaimed new series, *Threshold Bible Study* (<http://www.bridge-b.com/>). **Wednesday, February 10** from 7 – 9 p.m. at the Diocesan Centre, 1247 Kilborn Pl. Cost: \$10. Pre-registration and payment required (cheque payable to R.C.E.C.O.) by Thursday, February 04. Mail your cheque with your name, phone number, email and name of your parish to the attention of Pastoral Services, 1247 Kilborn Place, Ottawa, ON K1H 6K9. For Information email or call abrown@ArchOttawa.ca or 613-738-5025, ext. 217.

The \$2.99 Special

We went to breakfast at a restaurant where the 'seniors special' was two eggs, bacon, hash browns and toast for \$2.99.

"Sounds good," my wife said. "But I don't want the eggs." "Then, I'll have to charge you three dollars and forty-nine cents because you're ordering a la carte." the waitress warned her.

"You mean I'd have to pay for not taking the eggs?" my wife asked incredulously.

"YES!!" stated the waitress.

"How do you want your eggs?" the waitress said.

"Raw and in the shell." my wife replied.

She took the two eggs home and baked a cake.



DON'T MESS WITH SENIORS!!!

WE'VE BEEN AROUND THE BLOCK MORE THAN ONCE!

**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.**