



PRESENTATION OF THE LORD – 02 FEBRUARY 2014

*“Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace...
for my eyes have seen your salvation...”*

(02 February Readings: Malachi 3:1-4; Hebrews 2:10-11, 13-18; Luke 2:22-40)

Announced Mass intentions

- Sat., Feb. 01 5:00PM Mass – Margaret Ross+
- Sun., Feb. 02 **PRESENTATION OF THE LORD**
8:00AM Mass – Holy Cross Parishioners
9:30AM Mass – Pusparini Randing (Ivg)
Nicholas Randing (Ivg)
Nancy Labrosse+
11:15AM Mass – Brian Beahen+
Edilberto Navaluna+
- Mon., Feb. 03 **NO MASS**
- Tues., Feb. 04 9:30AM Mass – Larry Manson+
- Wed., Feb. 05 12:15PM Mass – William Ryan+
Mercedita Sanchez+
- Thurs., Feb. 06 10:00PM Communion Service held at
Windsor Park Manor
12:15PM Mass
- Fri., Feb. 07 11:00AM **ADORATION** until 12 noon
12:15PM Mass – Teresa Power+
- Sat., Feb. 08 5:00PM Mass – Melvin Leroy Arsenault+
- Sun., Feb 09 **FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
8:00AM Mass – Holy Cross Parishioners
9:30AM Mass – Molly Belanger+
John Cuddihey+
Ray Aubin+
11:15AM Mass – The Deceased members
of the Sharabuke Family+

Events Calendar

- Sat., Feb. 01 9:00AM K of C First Degree – Library/Hall
9:30AM Prayer Group
6:00PM **Parish Pasta Night** – Hall
- Sun., Feb. 02 9:30AM Children’s Liturgy
- Mon., Feb. 03 12:30PM Potato Peelers – Hall
7:00PM K of C Executive meeting
- Tues., Feb. 04 7:00PM **SILENT ADORATION** until 8 pm
8:00PM A.A. – Hall
- Wed., Feb. 05 7:30PM Choir (9:30) practice – Church
- Thurs., Feb. 06 6:30PM Come Join Us at The Table #2
7:00PM Choir (11:15) practice – Church
- Fri., Feb. 07 1:00PM African Angels – Rm. A
- Sat., Feb. 08 9:00AM Parish Ultreya – Church/Hall
9:30AM Prayer Group – Rm. A
- Sun., Feb. 09 9:30AM Children Liturgy
10:30AM Baptismal preparation – Library

Enrolment – Welcoming Ceremony for the Sacrament of Confirmation at the 9:30 and 11:15 Masses

Please pray for our brothers and sisters who are sick...



-Our parishioners—Bill Blakeman, Teofina Dubé, Betty Hubbard, Alice Johnson, Romeo Maione, Charlotte McCarthy, Rene Venasse, Caroline Wallace

-Immediate family members—Josie Bertrand (daughter of Monique), John & Margaret Dorner (parents of John), Vic Edwards (husband of Deanna Heney-Edwards), Estelle Freed (daughter of Helen Dick), Manson Kennedy (brother of Deacon John), Emily MacLeod (daughter of Marilyn & Martin), Lisa Nancarrow (daughter of Janet & Robin), Maria Rodrigues (mother of Cajé)

†Our Condolences and Prayers: For the departed souls of Llonel Quessy (brother of Henriette Martel); Doris Comeau (wife of Harold Comeau), John Johnston (brother of Margaret Elliot); Peter Zohar



Pastor’s Column...

PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

We celebrate today the Presentation of the Lord in the Temple, a feast which comes forty days after His birth at Christmas. The firstborn son in Jewish culture belonged to God and in accordance with the Mosaic Law, Mary and Joseph were required to take Him to the Temple to present Him to God. The mother of the child likewise had to undergo some ritual purification. This is another 'epiphany' celebration insofar as the Christ is revealed as the Messiah through the canticle and words of Simeon and the testimony of Anna the prophetess. The first reading from the prophet Malachi affirms that God had promised He would send a Precursor to prepare His way which was realised in the person of John the Baptist. Jesus' presentation signifies God's entrance to His temple. God made man entered His temple, presenting Himself to those who were really searching for Him. Mary and Joseph respect the Mosaic Law by offering the sacrifice prescribed by the Law: a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons. Simeon and Anna were two venerable elderly people dedicated to prayer and fasting and so their strong religious spirit enabled them to recognize the Messiah. Simeon prophesied Mary's sufferings and Pope John Paul II wrote, 'Simeon's words seem like a second Annunciation to Mary, for they tell her of the actual historical situation in which the Son is to accomplish his mission, namely, in misunderstanding and sorrow.' (Redemptoris Mater, n16) This Feast is also known as Candlemas Day; the day on which candles are blessed symbolizing Christ who is the light of the world. It is also a day of prayer for women and men in consecrated life. So too, those in consecrated life are called to reflect the light of Jesus Christ to all peoples.

God bless you.
Fr. Gilles Njobam CMF
Associate Pastor

Parish News and Community Life...

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION—A reminder to all parents whose children are registered for the Sacrament of Confirmation. Our **WELCOMING CEREMONY (Enrolment)** will be on **Sunday, February 09 at either the 9:30 or 11:15 a.m. Mass.** Please attend one of these Masses and sign-in your child's name at the entrance of the Church **15 minutes before Mass begins.** **ALSO...**

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION FOR THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION: We invite you and your child to participate in a five-part program. The **first session** begins on **Monday, February 24 at 6:30 p.m.** in the parish hall. For further information contact the parish office at 613-731-7834. We look forward to seeing you there.

CONFIRMATION—ADULT & TEENAGE CATHOLICS: Confirmation for adult & teenaged Catholics (grade 9 and above) will be celebrated on Pentecost Sunday, June 08 at the noon Mass at Notre Dame Cathedral. Those who are interested are asked to bring a copy of their Catholic baptismal certificate and register at the parish office or for more information call the parish office at 613-731-7834.

2014 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES are still available for pick up at the back of the church. Choose the next available box and fill out the slip of paper and place it in the basket.

DEBRA DYNES FAMILY HOUSE: Many families in the Debra Dynes community have now received wonderful calendars to work with throughout this year--thanks to all parishioners who so thoughtfully donated them in our New Year drive. There is still a need for toiletries for all those families who are helped by the DDFH food bank. These personal-care items can be left in the Debra Dynes box under the MPD table.



CLUB 55+: CALLING ALL SENIORS FOR AN AFTERNOON OF WINTER OLYMPIC EVENTS. We will be gathering on **Thursday, February 20 at 1:00 p.m.** in the parish hall. Come and enjoy an afternoon of fun games and cards as well as great fellowship.

Refreshments will be served. Everyone is welcome. For more information, contact Fran Hadley at 613-737-5226.

PASTORAL CARE

PASTORAL CARE MEMBERS are available to visit and/or bring Holy Communion to the sick, house-bound, lonely or bereaved. Call Harry Goldsmith at 613-421-1656.

OTTAWA PASTORAL CARE TRAINING PROGRAM BASIC COURSE: The spring sessions will begin on March 10. The basic course consists of 25 hours of training during one afternoon or evening a week for 10 weeks. For more details visit the website at www.ottawapastoralcare.com.

Social Action...

MISSION, PEACE, AND DEVELOPMENT

Development and Peace is the Canadian member of the Catholic relief and development agency Caritas Internationalis. As such, D&P will be participating during

Share Lent in Caritas' global anti-hunger campaign "One Human Family, Food for All". In preparation, the Ottawa branch of D&P will host two Share Lent workshops: Saturday February 08 from 9 a.m. until noon at Blessed Sacrament (194 Fourth Ave.) and on Wednesday evening February 12 from 6:30 to 8:30 at the Diocesan Centre (1247 Kilborn Place). Both workshops include a light meal. For information contact Larry Martin at 613-526-0390 or Genevieve Gallant at 613-738-9644 or ggallant@devp.org.

ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP – EXTREME CLIMATE EVENTS: Does our cold winter alleviate concerns regarding climate change? A United States government report identifies extreme climate events that took place in 2013 – the fourth warmest year on record since 1880: Typhoon Haiyan was the strongest tropical cyclone on record to hit land (Philippines); Australia recorded its warmest year ever; California had its worst drought ever; China and Russia were severely impacted by heavy rains causing extreme flooding; the United Kingdom experienced its coldest spring since 1962, attributed to melting Arctic sea ice and the resulting cold rush of wind dipping south. Chicago experienced the polar vortex this month with record breaking temperatures lower than the South Pole. Tip: Let us advocate for government policies designed to protect our planet.

Other interests...

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION AT OCSB: Visit an Ottawa Catholic School Board Elementary School any day, to register your child for kindergarten. Bilingual instruction, many before and after school care programs, plus much more. Find downloadable forms at www.ocsb.ca. For information visit the website at www.ocsb.ca/kindergarten-registration.

PERMANENT DIACONATE – INFORMATION SESSIONS: Is the Lord calling you to the Permanent Diaconate? Come and discover what the diaconate is all about. All men in the Archdiocese are invited; married men are encouraged to come with their wives. If you wish to attend a session or get more information, please contact Deacon Michael Seath at 613-834-1840 or mseath@archottawa.ca. There will be four information sessions. **Thursday, February 20 from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.** at St. Monica Parish (2080 Merivale); **Monday, February 24 from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.** at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish (400 St. Laurent Blvd); **Thursday, February 27 from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.** at Blessed Sacrament Parish (194 Fourth Ave.); **Saturday, March 01 from 9:00 - 11:00 a.m.** at Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal (17 First Ave., Russell).

22ND ANNUAL 'LIFT JESUS HIGHER' RALLY: Metro Toronto Convention Centre, 255 Front St. W., **Saturday, March 01 from 9 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.** With Ralph Martin, Sr. Ann Shields, Fr. Scott McCaig & Guest Speaker: Fr. Michael Gaitley. Mass celebrated by Cardinal Collins. Separate Youth Event (13-18 yrs) of music, skits, talks. Cost: Adult/\$20; Youth/\$10. For tickets call 416-251-4255 or 905-270-2510 or email dkromer@rogers.com. For information go to the website www.lift-jesus-higher-rally.org.

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