

# MASSES THIS WEEK AT ST. MICHAEL'S

Psalter II

MON. Feb. 18<sup>th</sup> Family Day

8:30 AM + CARMELA PEDOTA -The Family

TUES. Feb. 19th

St. Joseph's School Mass -at the school

9:10 AM **† FRANCIS SULLIVAN** --Seminarian Jerry

WED. Feb. 20<sup>th</sup>

12:05 PM + CHESTER LIPA -Alice Skibinski

THURS. Feb. 21st @ Golden Plough

10:00 AM † PETER GALASKI –Ray & Liz Stewart

**THURS. Feb. 21<sup>st</sup>** Notre Dame School Mass –at the school 12:45 PM **† MARLENE YOUNG** –*Joe & Greg Leguard* 

FRI. Feb. 22<sup>nd</sup> Chair of St. Peter

7:00 PM † DECEASED C.W.L. MEMBERS

SATURDAY, February 23<sup>rd</sup>

5:00 PM † Deceased Members of THE PARSONS FAMILY –The Basinger Family

SUNDAY, February 17<sup>th</sup>

9:00 AM † DEACON JIM BLOMELEY -grandchildren,

Heather & Ian

11:00 AM MISSA PRO POPULO

- Doreen & Eric Davis

Next Weekend's Readings ● *Third Sunday of Lent* 1<sup>st</sup> *Exodus 17.3-7*• 2<sup>nd</sup> Romans 5.1-2, 5-8• *Gospel.* John 4.5-42

## **EVENTS/MEETINGS THIS WEEK**

Tues. 19—7:00 PM RCIA in Parish Centre

Wed. 20—12:30 PM Legion of Mary in Parish Centre

Wed. 20—12:30-7:30 Blood Donor Clinic Columbus

**Community Centre** 

Thurs. 21 – 1:00 PM Seniors Progressive & Bid

Euchre at Columbus Community Centre

**Thurs. 21**—7:00 PM Christian Prayer & Meditation

Group in Parish Centre

Fri. 22 —6:30PM Stations of the Cross – Church

## PRAY FOR THE SICK

Gemma McHardy, Catherine Smith, Marie Beauvais, Rosemary Roth, Terry O'Sullivan, Fr. Henry, Matilda Eikens, Jean Boudreau, Pat Lucyshyn, Noreen Mark, Gerrard Heffernan, Antoinette Brisson, Joe May, Julie Black, Kim Hope, Stan Johnston, Louis Carigan, Ronald Heffernan, Fred Williams, Wendy Gregoriades, Denise Palermo, Anne Driscoll, Mark Martel, Trevor DeMattos, Diane Bartlett, David Wright, Lorna Watts, Shirley Ferguson, Greg Heenan, May the Lord's healing hand touch them.

# **VOCATION VIEW**

Lent is a season of renewal, of spiritual growth. These forty penitential days invite us to strive for our true calling.

# **LENT 2008**

The second Sunday of Lent always gives us an account of the transfiguration. Jesus asked Peter, James and John to go with him to the mountain top. While they were there, Jesus was transfigured and became dazzling white before them. Along with Jesus stood Moses and Elijah. The voice of God announced that Jesus was his son and that all should listen to him. The disciples were frightened, but Jesus calmed them. When Peter, James and John looked up, Jesus was the only one left . . . the one to whom we need to listen.

Reflection for Families Children adapt to change. They love the excitement of something new. As parents, however, we'd like to slow down the changes we see - changes in our community, our jobs, government, and even the changes in our growing children. As it was for the disciples, it's hard sometimes for us to understand and accept things changing in front of our eyes. However, change and constant motion are part of the divine plan as we journey to God. Today, instead of digging in our heals to slow the change, try lightening your heart as a child and accept with joy, the changes you face.

# **EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS 2008**

June 15 to 20, 2008 in Quebec City



Bishop De Angelis will be in attendance and would be glad to see members of his diocese at this event. The Eucharist is the source and summit of the Christian life, as we all know, yet is too

little understood. Please contact the office 905 372-6844 if you are considering attending.



## RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION

Topic: Study of the Second Sunday of

Lent

Presenter: Laszlo De Roth Time: Tues. Feb 19<sup>th</sup> @ 7PM

# **ALTAR SERVERS FUN NIGHT**

Mark your calendar: **Sat. March 1** following the 5:00 PM Mass there will be a 'Fun Night' for Altar servers in the Parish Centre. Dinner/games/prizes. Servers please attend 5:00 PM Mass and then join in the fun.

#### **COLLECTION REPORT**

**№** A Summary of Your Generosity of February 10th: \$4626.. **▲** \$3. More than last year! Restoration Fund: \$3480.

# **MURAL RESTORATION**

To get your personalized engraved plaque, contact Dorothy Ward at 905.372.3138. For information, see samples at the back of the Church. This is an ongoing opportunity to raise money for the restoration fund and help St. Michael's Church.

# RESPECT LIFE OFFICE CHOCOLATE EASTER EGGS



Sister Theresa Roddy, from the Respect Life Office in Peterborough, is once again looking for the support of St. Michael's parishioners, by selling the Belgium chocolate Easter eggs. \$3.00 each

or two for \$5.00-available now at the Parish Office.

# PARENT/CHILDREN WORKSHOP: FIRST EUCHARIST

There is a workshop for parents of students in Grade 2 who will be making their First Communion this year on **February 29th** beginning with Mass at 7:00 PM in the Church. NOTE: Stations of the Cross will be prayed at 6:30 PM. Parents take this opportunity with your child to learn more about your faith.

# **ROSARIES FOR SALE**

Handmade rosaries are once again available for sale in the Parish Centre. Cost: \$10. each.

## SHARE LENT



The coins jingling in your pocket or purse are metal. The studs that hold up your walls may be metal. The tip of your pen, the zipper on your coat-metal. Metals are so necessary to our lives, and yet metals are the cause of so many struggles around the world. In the Philippines, the Subanon people are being poisoned on their

traditional land. In Honduras, Ecuador and South Africa voices are raised calling for reform as mining companies devastate the environment and disregard human rights. In Canada, the call for a mining ombudsperson gives hope that those voices will be heard. Check your Lifestyle Awareness Calendar, it offers an opportunity to express our solidarity with these communities, demanding mining companines act responsibly.

#### LENTEN REFLECTION SERIES

Spiritual Literacy: Reading the Sacred in Everyday Life" at Villa St. Joseph Wednesday evenings during Lent. 7.00 PM to 8.00 PM beginning on February 13 to March 12. Themes include Beauty, Compassion, Forgiveness, Shadow and Transformation.

NOTE: Sem. Jerry will be away next week.

# STATIONS OF THE CROSS WHY NOT MAKE THIS ONE OF YOUR LENTEN COMMITMENTS.

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you! Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world!

The Stations of the Cross are prayed every Friday at 6:30PM in the Church.

Led this week by: Catholic Women's League



A re-enactment of Jesus' final hours

Have you seen Mel Gibson's the "Passion of the Christ?" Do you want to prayerfully participate in a re-enactment of Christ's final hours in this 'live Stations of the Cross'? Are you in grades 7 and up? Volunteer your time and energy in this wonderful production. Br. Jerry will sign your volunteer hours!! Please contact Br. Jerry at the Rectory 905.372.6844. FIRST REHEARSAL WILL BE THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 28 AT 7:00 PM IN THE CHURCH. Refreshments to follow

REMINDER: C.W.L. BREAKFAST MEETING SUNDAY, FEB. 17 FOLLOWING 9:00 AM MASS AT THE COLUMBUS COMMUNITY CENTRE.

God, give me grace to amend my life and to have an eye to mine end without grudge of death, which to them that die in thee, good Lord, is the fate of a wealthy life. Give me, good Lord, a full faith, a firm hope and a fervent charity, a love to thee incomparable above the love to myself. Give me, good Lord, a longing to be with thee, not for the avoiding of the calamities of this world, nor so much for the attaining of the joys of heaven, as for the very love of thee. — St. Thomas More (1478 - 1535) (from a prayer written a few days before his execution.)

# OFFICE CLOSED

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 18 FOR FAMILY DAY. Lets take this opportunity for what it implies, and spend some quality time with the ones we love.

## Thank You...

We raised \$210.37 at our Pot Luck Supper held January 27. This free will offering is to support our two families through Save-a-Family Plan. We are still short by \$149.63 to support them for the year. So if you have any ideas how to raise this amount...let me know. Also thank you to our performers, and the C.W.L. for their organizing the set up.

