

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

"You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition."

MASSES THIS WEEK AT ST. MICHAEL'S

Psalter II -- Year B

MON. August 31

12:05 pm **MASS OF THANKSGIVING**

--Muir Family

TUES. September 1

12:05 pm † **ISABEL HOGAN**

--Mary, Ginny & Cathy Lawless

WED. September 2

11:00 am Mass at Cobourg Retirement

12:05 pm † **THERESE BENOIT**

--McLeod Family

THURS. September 3 *St. Gregory the Great*

12:05 pm † **GEORGE CAMPBELL**

--John & Barbara Attley

FRI. September 4

10:00 am Mass at Golden Plough

12:05 pm † **JOANNE LAMBLE**

--Ray

Saturday, September 5

5:00 pm † **KAITLIN ANNE VANDERHOEK**

--Peggy & Mike Desjardins

Sunday, September 6

9:00 am **LIVING & † DECEASED MEMBERS
of the DEROTH FAMILY**

11:00 am **MISSA PRO POPULO**

Next Weekend's Readings: **23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

1st: Isaiah 35.4-7 2nd: James 2.1-5

Gospel Mark 7.31-37

Reflection

The religious leaders criticized some of the Jesus' disciples claiming that they did not wash their hands before eating. The ritual was intended to give special care to food offered to God as opposed to regular or common food of the general population. Jesus pointed out to these leaders that they had lost sight of the purpose of the law and had become totally consumed by following the law for the sake of following the law. He continued making his point by explaining that nothing that goes into a person can make that person evil. It is what comes from the person, specifically what is in his/her heart that makes the person sinful.

Reflection for Families A story passed on by a Native American father to his son described the torment of two wolves living inside the father's head. One wolf was evil and vicious. The other was kind and loving. When the son questioned his father about which wolf reacted in certain circumstances, the father explained that it was whichever wolf he fed. How often do we feed the wolves in our heads by letting anger, prejudices, and jealousies grow unchecked? One of the greatest things we can do for ourselves and for our children is to help them (and ourselves) put the hurtful things in our lives on the table so that they can be dealt with openly and honestly. That is the only way true healing can take place. Most often we are able to help one another in this action, but sometimes we need to recognize the need for an objective, third party to get involved.

Prayers for the Sick

Anne Jones, William Hanley, Fred Gimblett, Gloria Barbosa, Heather Maxwell, Doug Smith, Greg Heenan, Jim Connolly, Bernadette Forster, Jim Corkery, Jenna Jenkins, Joseph Slaven, Kathleen Tunney, Marie Solomon, John Kuchma, James Cormier, Harm Zoelman, Alice Heffernan, Bob Whelpley, Peg Lees, Tanya Green, Shawn Pentland, Lisa Dunn, Rosemary Roth, Lisa Sampson, Charles Potier, Arlene Brown, Debbie Hale, Stanley Johnston, Jessica Gerber, Richard Philips, Lynn Fabris, Mary Beyette, Theresa Ferguson, Charles Bateman, Bob Pickett, Noreen Mark, Antoinette Brisson, Stan Johnston, Fred Williams, Mark Martel, Diane Bartlett *May the Lord's healing hand touch them.*

Collection Report

✠ **A Summary of Your Generosity** ✠

August 23 Sunday Offering \$3867.

Thank you for your support!

Events/Meetings This Week

Tues. 1—7:30 pm KofC General Meeting at Columbus Community Centre

Wed. 2—12:30 pm Legion of Mary in Parish Cen.

Thurs. 3—1:00 pm Progressive Euchre at Columbus Community Centre

Thurs. 3—7:00 pm Prayer/Meditation Group in PC

Note: Office will be closed August 31

Choral Ministry

We are looking for new members to join both our adult and children's choirs here at St. Michael's Church. If you love to sing and are able to come to practices on Wednesday nights, we would love to have you! Please contact Katie Gagne for more details at 905 377-8547.



You're Invited

GROWTH GROUP FOR ~SEPARATED~
~DIVORCED~WIDOWED CATHOLICS

WHAT-opportunity to gather for 7 weekly Sunday evening Christ-centred meetings, 7-9 beginning October 18, 2009.

FOR WHOM-any separated/divorced or widowed Catholic not currently undergoing or in need of professional therapy.

WHERE-meeting room at the back of St. Francis Church (enter through door by garage)

COST-no charge (refreshment donations)

For more information and/or to register call Fr. Peter Seabrooke 905-987-5446. Please note-you should be prepared to attend *ALL SEVEN SESSIONS*. Sponsored by St. Francis of Assisi new Life group for separated, divorced or widowed Christians.

Notice to all CWL Ladies

Now is the time to get your books of tickets to sell, on our "Cash for Christmas," draw. If as a member you could sell at least 3 books to 5 books before the draw on December 6/09, it would go far in helping us support the local charities in our area. Please let me know if I should drop your books off, at your home or have you pick them up at church. Our next **C.W.L. General meeting will be at the Parish Centre on September 16 at 5:30 p.m. Pot Luck.** (We will be selling tickets at church on September 12/13 after each Mass, at which time you could pick up your books to sell.) Call Dorothy at 905-372-7675. Leave a message please.

Are you hungry for the truth? Come and be fed.

Join us for a study of such topics as: Life & Mission of Jesus, Holy Spirit, the Church and more. Input materials from Fr. John Corapi, with Sister Therese Roddy facilitating. This will be held at Sacred Heart Parish Hall in Peterborough, from 7:00 to 8:30 pm Sunday evenings starting September 13 until November 22 (excluding October 11 & Nov. 15). No registration fee. Donations may be made if desired. Please call 705 745-1309 ext. 277 to register.

VEYO –Special Collection September 5/6, 2009

Dear Members of our Diocesan Family, In the approximately six years of its existence, the Vocations, Evangelization and Youth Office of the Diocese of Peterborough has grown into one of the most important organs for ensuring the future of the Church in our midst. It reaches out to many who do not have, for one reason or another, a voice in the Church and gives them new courage. We can point to the recent example of SONfest, successfully celebrated in Courtice this year, or the larger undertakings of World Youth Days in Germany and Australia. We can point to the less stressful Theology on Tap programme, the less glamorous CORC meetings, the less loudly promoted St. Thérèse of Lisieux Library. We can point to vocations talks in schools and periodic all-night Adoration in churches across the diocese. There are innumerable projects and programs, many already delivered, many more dreamt for the future. All require spiritual, intellectual and physical resources. All aim at building the Kingdom of God, right here. The annual Diocese-wide collection for VEYO takes place on the Labour Day weekend. Please be as supportive as you can. The programs described above cannot be run on prayer and volunteerism alone. Please pray and volunteer, but please also support this necessary work as your finances allow. Use the special envelope provided in your boxed set or any other envelope marked "VEYO" and be confident that it is an investment in the future.

Father Raymond Rick, Vicar General

St. Vincent de Paul Society

Next weekend, September 5/6, following all Masses, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul will be collecting donations at the doors for the needy in our community. Thank you for your support.



St. Michael's Cemetery Mass Saturday, September 12



Our annual Cemetery Mass, *for the dearly departed buried at St. Michael's*, will be celebrated on Saturday, September 12 at 10:00 am at the cemetery.

Please bring a chair for your benefit. Note, if inclement weather, the Mass will be held in the Church.