



## Third Sunday of Easter April 15, 2018

*Like the disciples on the road to Emmaus, let our hearts burn within us as we hear the Gospel and celebrate the Eucharist.*

### **Knights of Columbus & Catholic Women's League Annual Garage Sale - Saturday, May 5th, 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM**

This year proceeds will be distributed to the Life Centre/Blackburn Food Cupboard and the K of C and CWL charities.

The key to success for this event is having lots of quality items to sell, and parishioners can help by donating *useful articles* such as: books, children's clothing, toys, working electronics, sports equipment, tools, and small home furnishings & appliances. Unfortunately we *cannot accept*: tires, large furniture, major appliances, old computers, and CRT tube televisions & monitors. When doing your spring cleaning this year please consider saving a few goodies for the Garage Sale. Donations can be dropped off at the Church on **Friday, May 4th** from 1:00 PM - 7:00 PM. Any questions call Dem Magmanlac 613-830-5747

All of us know that when you love someone very much you want to be with this person, your joy in life is to be close to this person. Having just celebrated the feast of Divine Mercy we heard Saint Faustina's name mentioned quite often. Actually, St. Faustina's full religious name was Sister Maria Faustina of the Most Blessed Sacrament. When describing the Blessed Sacrament in her Diary (684) Sister Faustina wrote, "Never in my whole life had I understood this mystery so profoundly as during that hour of adoration." We are blessed to have Eucharistic Adoration at our parish every Tues and Thurs morning as well as on the First Sat of each month before the morning Mass. Additionally, we have Adoration for six hours each First Friday from after the 9am Mass until 3:30pm. If you would like to set aside a special time, perhaps on the First Friday when you would come show your love for God, to be present with Him whom you love, to adore Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, please contact the parish office at 613-824-4394 to reserve that special time of Adoration.

### **CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD FORMATION AT GOOD SHEPHERD PARISH**

All those with an interest in the spiritual development of young children at home, in school or in their parish are encouraged to register for the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Level 1 catechist formation course. Formation will take place here at Good Shepherd Parish from July 9th-14th, 2018 and for one week in the summer of 2019. Information and registration form can be found at [www.cgsac.ca](http://www.cgsac.ca). For more information, please contact Sarah MacDonald-McLean at [smacdo03@gmail.com](mailto:smacdo03@gmail.com). The early bird registration deadline is May 1, 2018.

**Ladies On Lunch (LOL)** is a new group for women of the parish and their female friends who will gather for lunch, every third Wednesday of the month at 11:30 am. To reserve a seat or for more information contact Hilary Als at [stacch@rogers.com](mailto:stacch@rogers.com) or by telephone at (613) 845-0073.

The next gathering is April 18th at the Mandarin Restaurant located at 2055 Tenth Line Road. Please RSVP by 6:00 pm on Monday, April 16th in order to make a reservation.

### Offering for April 8, 2018

Sunday Envelopes:	\$ 2706.00
AC/Visa/MC	\$ 2660.00
Loose:	\$ 600.00
Total Collection:	\$ 5966.00

Our financial requirements are approx. **\$8,000** per week to support our approx. **\$2,000** a week mortgage payment.

#### Fr. Shroff's Corner

The 3rd Sunday of Easter continues to give us an account of the appearances of Our Risen Lord to His disciples after the Resurrection. In today's Gospel, Jesus appears to the disciples and greets them with a sign of peace: "Peace be with you. Do not be afraid; it is I." He then reassures them that all the tumultuous events of His Passion and Death (and also His Resurrection) were predicted in advance through the Law of Moses, the Prophets, and the Psalms. Everything occurred according to the plan of God, in accordance with God's permissive Will.

The first reading recounts how St. Peter, preaching to the people after the Resurrection, chastises them for rejecting the Holy and Righteous One. He then goes on to soften the accusation by stating, "However, I know that you acted out of ignorance." The Lord forgives those who betray Him because He knows that they act out of ignorance, for "if they had known the truth, they never would not have crucified the Lord of Glory" (1 Cor. 2:8).

The second reading is an exhortation by St. John the Apostle. God calls us to the perfection of love, and perfect love always requires sacrifice and obedience. If we truly love God, then we will keep His Commandments, for the one who says that he loves God and yet does not keep His Commandments is a liar, and the truth does not exist in him (1 Jn. 2).

If last Sunday's Mass (the 2nd Sunday of Easter) focused on Faith, today's Mass focuses on the same but also adds the dimension of Charity or Love. To love God means to believe in Him and all that He revealed to us through the Apostles and through the Church, but also to act on that Faith through acts of Charity or Love, firstly by keeping the Commandments.

Everything in the Old Testament (the Law, the Prophets, the Psalms) points to Christ, the Messiah who was to come and who would be the perfect fulfillment of all that was prophesied. The Apostles were witnesses to these events, and we too are called to bear witness to them by going into the world and proclaiming the truth of Christ to all people. Jesus Christ is not just one of many ways to obtain salvation and Eternal Life: He is **the** Way, proclaimed by the Catholic Church for 2000 years, so that the world might believe and that, in believing, it may have Everlasting Life (cf. Jn. 20:31).

A Rachel's Vineyard retreat is a safe place for women & men hurting after abortion, to find healing in God's love. The next retreat is May 4-6, 2018. Visit [www.rachelsvineyardottawa.ca](http://www.rachelsvineyardottawa.ca). Contact Terry or Lynda for details: 613-806-5522 or [rvr\\_ottawa@yahoo.ca](mailto:rvr_ottawa@yahoo.ca) soon as space is limited.

You are invited to join **The Discovery Faith Study** beginning on April 23<sup>rd</sup> at our parish. 7:30-9:00pm; no charge; snacks included

The Discovery study is a one and a half hour a week, six-week faith study built on small group discussions. It takes an in-depth look at the person of Jesus Christ. Jesus is the indispensable, core message of the Christian faith. *Discovery* leads you through a simple but personally challenging look at the Gospel message.

If you have ever felt confused, unfulfilled or unsure of your faith, or asked your self "Who is Jesus, really?" "Why am I here?" "Is there a higher power?" "How do the Church, God, Jesus, the Mass, and the Cross all fit together?" or "Does God care about me?" - then this is the study for you.

To register, contact Joel and Elizabeth Regnier at [lizz.doucette@gmail.com](mailto:lizz.doucette@gmail.com), [joel.regnier@cco](mailto:joel.regnier@cco).

## **MASS INTENTIONS**

### **Saturday, April 14 – Third Sunday of Easter**

5:00 pm †Ebbie Ferguson req by Jack & Dyann MacDonald  
†Rosemary Pantin req by Mike & Magda Baillot  
†Moe Stafford req by Bernie Roach  
†Bill Hudson req by Jack & Dyann MacDonald  
†Alfred Reede req by George & Darlene Keable  
†Antoinette Tissaarratchy req by George & Noeline Edwards  
†Gene & Vivian Lusignan req by Dr. G.M. Lusignan  
†Peter Janega req by the family  
Intention of Sue Savard req by the Faith Group

### **Sunday, April 15 – Third Sunday of Easter**

9:00 am †Maureen Comerton req by Sean & Anna May O'Carroll  
†Moe Stafford req by Jack & Dyann MacDonald  
†John Patrick MacPhee req by the family  
†Celestina de Jesus req by Ernie & Marian Sy  
11:15 am For Our Parishioners

Monday, April 16

9:00 am Intention of Anne D'Souza req by Carmen D'Souza  
Souls in Purgatory

### **Tuesday, April 17 – Memorial, St. Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin Protectress of Canada**

9:00 am Audrey Keating and the souls in Purgatory

Thursday, April 19

9:00 am Souls in Purgatory req by a Parishioner

Friday, April 20

9:00 am †Pat Sheridan req by Sean & Anna May O'Carroll

### **Saturday, April 21 – Fourth Sunday of Easter**

5:00 pm †Ebbie Ferguson req by Jean & Doreen Dumont  
†Luc Lavertu req by Suzane & Clive Richmond  
†Alfred Reede req by George & Darlene Keable  
†Rosemary Pantin req by Myrna Andrews  
†Fr. Jim Hyland req by Eric & Geraldine Sharf  
†James Coade req by Bill & Fran Mason

### **Sunday, April 22 – Fourth Sunday of Easter**

9:00 am †Maureen Comerton req by Sean & Anna May O'Carroll  
†Maurice (Moe) Stafford req by Bob & Joan Dunn  
†Alfred Reede req by Philippe & Marian Tremblay  
†George Timko req by Bobby & family  
Intention of Guenter Andrews req by Stase Danaitis  
11:15 am For Our Parishioners

*Please pray for our sick;*, Joe MacDonell, Rose Dugandzic, Romina Andrews, Lorretta Dillon-Robinette, Jean-Ella Lemire, Michael Nortey and John MacDonald.

*Please pray for our deceased*, including Rita Marcogliese that she may be received into God's love

### **PRO LIFE CORNER**

Regardless of the circumstance of their conception, preborn babies must be protected from elective abortion. Let us pray that the Christian community, made one by our common baptism, will welcome preborn babies. Spiritual Adoption Prayer of Archbishop Fulton Sheen "Jesus, Mary and Joseph, I beg you to spare the life of the unborn baby that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion." Please take an unborn baby whose parent(s) you may or may not know and pray daily for him or her. This baby then becomes your spiritually adopted baby