

# **Most Precious Blood**

### ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Centred in Christ, we are a welcoming community sharing our talents and goodness, joyfully celebrating and reaching out to all.

#### **PASTORAL TEAM**

#### **Pastor:**

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### **Coordinator of Youth Ministry:**

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#### **SUPPORT STAFF**

Secretary: Liz Desmarais Custodian: Carol Lemire

Office Hours: Monday to Friday 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

#### Weekend Masses:

Saturday Vigil - 5:00 PM Sunday - 9:30 AM, 11:15 AM

#### Weekday Masses:

Tuesday 7:00 PM Wednesday 8:45 AM Thursday 8:45 AM Friday 8:45 AM

#### **Sacrament of Reconciliation:**

Saturday 11AM - 12 NOON

**Weddings:** the couple is to contact the parish priest at least 9 months in advance of a desired wedding date.

Baptism: Contact the parish office

#### Again we keep this solemn fast

In order that we may lead a more integrated life, the Church offers us the gift of a Lenten pilgrimage. This pilgrimage consisting of increased prayer, fasting and almsgiving is more than a simple test in Spiritual Olympics, rather it is an expressed desire of the human heart to live a more integrated life through the conversion of our interior spirit.

As the prophet Joel says, "rend your hearts, not your garments." Consequently, doing good deeds, praying and fasting are only meaningful to the extent that leads us to interior conversion.

Unfortunately, not all good deeds are really performed out of compassion and not all prayer leads to interior liberation and not all detachment leads to real detachment. We can sometimes use these practices at the expense of real conversion, to soothe a conscience that is not ready for change.

When such a situation happens we can lose our integrity. We perform religious works not to express what we feel in the depths of our being, but because it has become the norm of behaviour. We attend liturgical service, perform all the actions and say all the prayers not because we really believe in them, but because it seems the right thing to do and we experience the acceptance of society or the institution.

The truly integrated person is one who is so true to one's self that their good works, their prayer and fasting are expressions of themselves. They must be one with God so much so that the Lenten activities become an expression of who they are with God. What ultimately matters is that our doing follows being.



#### MASS INTENTIONS February 18<sup>th</sup> – February 22<sup>nd</sup>

Monday

- No Mass

Tuesday 7 PM

- Olga Renaud - Rick & Bev Yuhasz

- Mary Ann Sebastian - Sara Lascak

- Florijan Pirih — Mr. & Mrs. Licul

Wednesday 8:45 AM - George Slavik - Joe & Joan Jakubo

- Guiseppi & Angela Bortolin - Tony & Navina

- Intentions Joe Novosad - Toni Maceyovski

Thursday 8:45 AM – Paul Beneteau – Madeleine Stewart

- Roger Bernard - Fr. George Beaune

- Joseph Maceyovski - Toni

Friday 8:45 AM

- Joe Ducharme - Toni Maceyovski

- Ines Fiordalisi - Cimarosti Family

- Ken Fawcett - Bill & Bonnie Bailey



Monday, Feb. 18th

- 7:30 PM Prayer Group

Tuesday, Feb. 19th

- 1 PM Senior Cards

- 7:45 PM St. Vincent de Paul

Wednesday, Feb. 20th

- 1 PM Intercessory Prayer

-1 PM Deanery Meeting

- 6 PM RCIC

- K of C General Meeting

Thursday, Feb. 21st

- 1 PM Quilting & Knitting

- 7 PM RCIA

Friday, Feb. 22<sup>nd</sup>

- 1 PM Rosary Unborn

- 6 PM Stations of the Cross

"We are here to be witnesses of love and to celebrate life, because life has been created in the image of God. Life is to love and to be loved."

**Blessed Mother Teresa** 

#### **YOUTH MINISTRY UPDATE**

There will be no meeting this Monday due to the Family Day holiday. Enjoy! Our next youth group meeting will be on Monday, February 25<sup>th</sup> from 7-8:30pm for grades 5/6. The theme of the night will be Lent and why we give up stuff. New people are always welcome to come out.

#### CONFIRMATION

Thank you to all our parishioners who where a part of sponsoring a faith pack, helping with the small group sessions and in serving cake after all the masses this past weekend, especially I would like to thank Joan Jakubo for all she did to make the celebration after the masses so nice. Let us continue to pray for our confirmation candidates that they will continue to rely on the Holy Spirit to guide them throughout their lives.

#### FIRST EUCHARIST UPDATE

If you missed our first parent/ family gathering on February 6<sup>th</sup>, please stop by the office to pick up your booklet. The booklets are due on February 26<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Christine if you have any questions.

#### **HIGH SCHOOL CONFERENCE**

This Saturday 13 teens and 2 adults headed to Holy Name of Jesus to take part in the "Rediscover Faith" High School Conference with a keynote address from Matt Fraud. The day will be full of amazing praise & worship, dynamic talks, fun break-out sessions, mass, and of course amazing food. More details & some of our group's highlights will be in next weekend's bulletin.

#### **ARISE IN THE SCHOOLS**

This session I will be heading to all 3 schools at lunch to lead the Arise program for youth in grades 5 through 8. The youth are encouraged to bring their lunch; we pray scripture together and share faith with one another for about 30 minutes. If you have a child at St. Bernard, Our Lady of Lourdes or St. Anne French Immersion and they are in grades 5 through 8 I ask you to encourage them to come out to our Arise faith sharing group; it could be their Lenten promise this year.

# WINDSOR-ESSEX CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

Junior & Senior Kindergarten registration February 19<sup>th</sup> – March 1, 2013.

Local Catholic school open house Wednesday, February 20<sup>th</sup> from 5 – 7 pm.

At the heart of our Catholic school system is a distinctive curriculum that integrates the teachings of Jesus Christ into all aspects of school life.

#### **2013 DAY OF CONFESSIONS**

As part of our ongoing response to the Year of Faith, on Wednesday, March 6 the sacrament of reconciliation will be celebrated throughout the diocese. A Return to me with all your heart@ is our Lenten call. To return to the Lord with integrity one benefits greatly from celebrating the sacrament of reconciliation. This year, once again, we will provide the opportunity for all Catholics to avail themselves of this sacrament. Preparation for and the celebration of confession enables us to set aside our disruptive ways, to be renewed in heart and spirit, to be reconciled with our God who abounds with gracious, gentle, tenderness. In our parish the schedule is 9:30am – 9 pm.



Crystal Byerley, Velma Lefebvre, Florence MacDonald, Patrick Conlon, Babe Sliva, Peggy Corrigan, Bernadette Stewart

#### OFFERTORY GIFTS

Last week the collection was \$5,979.50
Direct Deposit(aug. per week) \$ 923.50
Total Collection \$6,903.00

Building fund collection last week was \$170.00

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE
Building fund collection year to date is
\$5,569.50

#### **LENTEN FOOD DONATIONS**

Society of St. Vincent de Paul Most Precious Blood Conference during Lent are asking for non-perishable food items to help those in need. **Week 2 – Peanut butter and jam**.

#### **ATTENTIONS PARISHIONERS**

If you like to participate in Arise and are unable to do so, there are some extra books that are on hand for a price of \$7.00 each. Last year a few families participated within the home with their children. If you wish to do this during the Season of Lent, please contact Sister Linda to make arrangements.

#### CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in May 2013 and supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 1-800-268-2637.

#### **CWL MEAT PIE SALES**

The ladies of the Catholic Women's League will be taking meat pie orders in the hall after all masses this weekend and next.

#### PHOTO DIRECTORY

We invite all families to make an appointment after any of the weekend masses to have their picture taken for our new directory. A free 8 x 10 will be given along with a directory to all families that have their picture taken.

Please prayer for our Priests, Deacons and for Vocations.

Mon. Feb. 18<sup>th</sup> Rev. C. Coleman

Tues. Feb. 19<sup>th</sup> Deacon J. Lozon

Wed. Feb. 20<sup>th</sup> Rev. M. Poulin

Thurs. Feb. 21<sup>st</sup> Rev. M. Kucharski

Fri. Feb. 22<sup>nd</sup> Rev. E. Brereton

Sat. Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup> Rev. R. Giroux

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