

# **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.

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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 8:30 AM Thursday 8:30 AM Friday 8:30 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

### Second Sunday of Lent

The Gospel for this weekend gives us the Transfiguration of Jesus on Mount Tabor. What a scene this must have been for Peter, James and John! There is much for us to reflect on because when we consider mountains be it the Rockies or the Smokey's, the panoramic view lifts us from the busy-ness of life and the rat race that overtakes us. In essence, mountains offer the potential for raising our mind and hearts to God! Is it any wonder that God chose a mountain top to reveal Himself and His plans for us? Jesus often times would go to the mountain to pray and communicate there with His Father.

Peter, James and John the Transfiguration of Jesus was an aweinspiring experience. They had never seen their friend Jesus like this before. It was so awesome that they wanted to make 3 tents and stay there with Him. Have you ever had a similar experience of such joy and consolation that you did not want to leave a certain place? No wonder the apostles said: "Lord it is so good for us to be here!" However, they soon must go back down to face the trials of life. Jesus certainly did that, and faced his journey into Jerusalem.

Let us remember this Lent that having been on the mountain top and facing the journey of life especially if suffering comes our way, and it will, that nothing, absolutely nothing can ever separate us from the love of God who revealed Himself to us through the Transfiguration of Jesus.



# MASS INTENTIONS March 17th - March 21st

Monday - No Mass

Tuesday 7 PM - Michael Jacko Ph.D - Helen Slavik

-Reynaldo Bonilla - *Aguilar Family* 

- Josefina Merino - Aguilar Family

Wed. 8:30 AM - Domenico Piccinelli - Family

- Maria & Giovanni Bonassin - Family

- Betty Gagnier - Yvonne Deane

Thurs. 8:30 AM - Armand Renaud - Noreen

-Tony Viale - Family - Joanne Mader - Family

- Diane Murphy (10th Ann.) - Family

Friday 8:30 AM - Jeannette Baumann - Terry Beneteau

-Frances Jereb - Lascak Family

- Martin Rocheleau - Ione Comartin



Mon. Mar. 17<sup>th</sup> - 7 PM Youth Group

- 7:30 PM Prayer Group

Tues. Mar. 18<sup>th</sup> - 1 PM Senior Cards

-6:30 PM St. Vincent de Paul

Wed. Mar. 19<sup>th</sup> - 1 PM Intercessory Prayer

- 6 PM K of C Prayers - 7 PM K of C Meeting

- 7 PM Bible Study

Thurs. Mar. 20<sup>th</sup> - 1 PM Quilting

- 6:00 PM Choir

- 6:30 PM 1st Eucharist Family Mtg.

Fri. Mar. 21st - 9:30 AM - 5 PM Adoration

- 1 PM Rosary Unborn

- 6PM Soup

- 6:30 PM Stations

"Never forget that there are only two philosophies to rule your life: the one of the cross, which starts with the fast and ends with the feast. The other of Satan, which starts with the feast and ends with the headache."

Fulton J. Sheen

### **Youth Ministry News**

This past Tuesday a group of 28 of us headed to the Downtown Mission. There we were given a tour of their organization and told of all the great work they do for those who may need their assistance here in Windsor. Then our group which consisted of youth, youth leaders, and parents were put to work. Some sorted food, some cleaned and sanitized the bed mats, some sorted donated clothing and others moved food to their new food bank location. They were very grateful for all of our help. We headed back on the bus for a quick bite to eat and then to see the movie, "Son of God". What an inspirational movie about Jesus' life. I know it touched everyone's heart. Thank you to all the leaders and parents that came out to help. Also, thank you to Mary Jo Kovacs from the Downtown Mission. This Monday, March 17<sup>th</sup> will be a St. Patrick's Day Youth Group evening. Everyone is encouraged to dress in green. We will be having lots of fun and learning about this great man St. Patrick. We will be collecting toothbrush/ toothpaste for Street Help this Monday. Thank you to all the parishioners who have been donating to Street Help too. The youth will be receiving their next permission form for our upcoming outing to the St. Vincent de Paul store.

### **First Communion Update**

The First Communion family gathering will be taking place on Thursday, March 20<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-7:30pm. Please try to arrive about 10 minutes prior, so we can begin the meeting right at 6:30pm. The children will have their first lesson this evening and families will receive the work booklet that they will need to work on to better prepare their child for this Sacrament. Please contact Christine if you have any questions.

### Homeless in a Box ... Save the Date

Our 3<sup>rd</sup> annual homeless in a box will be taking place on Friday, April 1<sup>st</sup> for any youth in grades 5 through 8 beginning at 5:30pm and will run until 11pm. The Youth Stations of the Cross will take place during this time. Registration forms will be given out at youth group and will be available in the office at the beginning of April.

### DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE

"One Human Family, Food for All"

"Everyone must consider their neighbour without exception as another self, taking into account first of all his or her life and the means necessary to living it with dignity, so as not to imitate the rich man who had no concern for Lazarus." Gaudium et Spes 27.

This is the true meaning of "solidarity" i.e. to "consider their neighbour without exception as another self." We are one in Christ. We remember that it is really only God who gives. He gives to us trusting us to share with those who are caught in injustice through no fault of their own. We are, in fact, passing on God's gifts. If we all lived like this, hunger would disappear from this earth.

### Happy St. Joseph's Day!

Blessings upon all of the Sisters of St. Joseph and Associates in Canada! Especially, we rejoice with and offer prayers for Sister Linda who celebrates on Wednesday, March 19<sup>th</sup>!



Crystal Byerley, Velma Lefebvre, Jimmy Gloud, Linda Centofanti

### OFFERTORY GIFTS

Last week the collection was \$ 4,880.00
Direct Deposit(avg. per week) \$ 1,031.00
Total Collection \$ 5,911.00

Building fund collection last week was \$100.00

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE

Building fund collection year to date is
\$3,455.00

#### 40 DAYS FOR LIFE

If you want to participate in the peaceful protest in front of Met. Hospital at Tecumseh Road, please pick up a sign in the office to use and then return.

On Sunday, March 23 from 2:30 - 3:30 will be the Devine Mercy Prayer Hour in front of Met Hospital at Tecumseh Road to end abortion.

#### SOUP AND STATIONS

We will be having soup and stations every Friday evening during Lent. Various service groups within the parish will be hosting the stations and providing soup. Soup will be served at 6 PM followed by the Stations of the Cross at 6:30 PM. This week's sponsor is St. Vincent de Paul.

### LENTEN FOOD DRIVE

During Lent, Society of St. Vincent de Paul requests food donations. Week 3: Cereal.

#### SALMON DINNER

The Catholic Women's League annual Salmon Dinner will be on Friday, March 28<sup>th</sup>. Adults \$13.00 and children eight and under \$7.50. One seating only at 5:30 PM so you will have the opportunity to attend stations of the cross in the church. Tickets on sale after all masses this weekend and next and in the office during the week.

## Please pray for our Priests, Deacons and for Vocations.

Sun. Mar. 16<sup>th</sup>
Mon. Mar. 17<sup>th</sup>
Tues. Mar. 18<sup>th</sup>
Wed. Mar. 19<sup>th</sup>
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