



Most Precious Blood

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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

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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

4th SUNDAY of LENT

In today's Gospel Jesus cures the man born blind. Jesus spat on the ground and made clay with saliva, and smeared the clay on his eyes. He said, "Go wash in the Pool of Siloam." The man born blind washed the mud from his eyes. And we know what happened. The blind man could see. We could all ask ourselves, "How is Jesus a pool to wash the mud from our own eyes so that we may see more clearly?"

Whenever we can see Jesus more clearly in our lives, life can become much more challenging. Often it is so, because we are being asked to change, and when we do a transformation process is underway. This is what happened to the blind man. The people in his neighborhood and the Pharisees noticed this man and wondered if in fact it was the same man. When transformation takes place in the depths of our hearts we see things and people differently. Has the restoration of your sight so changed that others are surprised at the transformation? We might ask ourselves, what fears do I now have about seeing clearly who Jesus is, and what choices do I need to make to follow him more closely?



MASSES OF THE WEEK

**MASS INTENTIONS
March 31st – April 4th**

- Monday - No Mass
- Tuesday 7 PM - Vida Korosec - *Andy & Mary Matos*
- Josef Mader - *Milka & Robert Brown*
- Mary Anne Gouthro - *Robert & Dolores*
- Wed. 8:30 AM - Lorenzo Sementilli - *Harold & Liliana*
- Florence MacDonald - *Joe & Mary*
- Intentions of Fr. Chris Gevaert - *Robert*
- Thurs. 8:30 AM - Victor Perrotta - *Ron Arkell*
- Silvana MocarSKI DeCecco - *Maria Lecce*
- Angus Gillis - *Stan & Sally MacDonnell*
- Friday 8:30 AM - Florence Sinclair - *Neil & Yvonne*
- Angus Campbell - *Anne MacDonald*
- Intentions of Bob & Karen Ryan - *Jack & Eva Wolf*



- Mon. Mar. 31st - 7 PM Youth Group
- 7:30 PM Prayer Group
- Tues. April 1st - 7:30 PM CWL
- Wed. April 2nd - St. Anne's School
1st Communion Retreat
- 1 PM Intercessory Prayer
- K of C Ex. Mtg.
- 7 PM Bible Study
- Thurs. April 3rd - 1 PM Quilting
- 6:00 PM Choir
- Fri. April 4th - 1 PM Rosary Unborn
- 6:00 PM Soup
- 6:30 PM Stations
- Sat. April 5th - 2:30 PM 1st Communion Retreat

"Besides God's mercy there is no other source of hope for mankind." Pope John Paul II

Youth Group Update

This past Monday half of the youth group and leaders performed community service at the St. Vincent de Paul store on Chilver Rd. They sorted through puzzles and games that the store re-sells. They went on a tour and learned about what it means to be a Vincentian. The other half of the youth group spent time doing crafts, playing cards, learning how to knit, and learning about nutrition with some of our very generous seniors. It was a wonderful time of fellowship and fun. Next Monday, March 31st the same activities will occur, but grades are switched. The grade 7/8's will head to the St. Vincent de Paul store and the grade 5/6's will have some fun with our seniors. This Monday, March 31st we are collecting deodorant for Street Help. Thank you to all the parishioners who have been donating the items on the list to give to Street Help, it has been amazing to see the generous support.

First Communion Work Booklets

The first communion work booklets are due Wednesday, April 2nd by 4pm. Also, if your child goes to public school, home-schooled or another school other than our feeder schools their retreat day is on Saturday, April 5th 2:30-5pm. Please contact Christine if you have any question.

Calling all Confirmation Candidates from this year

If your child was confirmed this past November we are asking all of them to be a part of the "Foot Washing" ritual at our Holy Thursday evening mass at 7pm. Everyone will get a phone call, but if you read this and your child is interested in participating please call the office or email Christine to let her know (it would help her out a little☺). What an amazing witness for our community to see our newly Confirmed a part of this powerful ritual.

Greeter/ Offertory Schedules

Schedules are available for pick-up in the narthex. Please note that during the weekends of First Communion, the children making their First Communion will be bringing up the offertory gifts. However we still need your family to greet people...especially during the time when we will be getting lots of visitors!

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE

Next Sunday is "Solidarity Sunday" - the day when Canadian Catholics stand beside the poor in the Global South. Please remember many of the world's hungry are children. Development and Peace has demonstrated incredible success in the fight against poverty and injustice over the last 45 years. Getting ideas for development from the poor themselves, supporting them with education, loans, seeds, livestock etc. has proven a recipe for success. The poor do not want a 'handout'. They just need a 'hand-up'.

LENTEN FOOD DRIVE

During Lent, Society of St. Vincent de Paul requests food donations. Week 5: pasta and pasta sauce.

SOUP AND STATIONS

Soup and stations continue on Friday evenings during Lent. Soup will be served at 6 PM followed by the Stations of the Cross at 6:30 PM. This week's sponsor is the Social Justice Committee.



Crystal Byerley, Velma Lefebvre, Jimmy Gloud, Linda Centofanti

OFFERTORY GIFTS

Last week the collection was \$ 4,828.25
Direct Deposit (avg. per week) \$ 1,031.00
Total Collection \$ 5,859.25

Building fund collection last week was \$1,791.00

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE

Building fund collection year to date is \$6,295.00

Homeless in a Box Experience

The evening is open to anyone in grades 5 through 8 on Friday, April 11th from 5:30-11pm in the Most Precious Blood parking lot (rain or shine). There is a \$10 charge to participate and the money raised will go to Street Help. All your child needs to participate is a registration form filled out, \$10, a canned good to donate to our St. Vincent de Paul food bank and a Box. Furniture stores have great boxes to give away for this evening. Registration forms for this event will be given out at youth group and will be available in the office too. During this night the Youth Stations of the Cross will be presented in the parking lot as well. There will be soup... will give out the times soon.

ALL DAY CONFESSION

Preparation for and the celebration of confession enables us to set aside our disruptive ways, to be renewed in heart and spirit, and to be reconciled with our God who abounds with gracious, gentle, tenderness and mercy. Please remember that on April 9, the sacrament of reconciliation will be available throughout the day in every parish in the diocese.

In our parish the schedule for the Day of Confession is as follows:

9:30 - 10:30 am., noon - 3 pm. and 5 - 7 pm.

2013 TAX RETURNS

Ed Hooft, a volunteer with the Community Volunteer Income Tax Program, will be completing tax returns on Friday, April 4th. To be eligible family income should be under \$45,000. Call the office to set up your appointment. There is no charge.

Please pray for our Priests, Deacons and for Vocations.


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| Sun. Mar. 30th | Deacon A. Alway |
| Mon. Mar. 31st | Rev. W. Riegel |
| Tues. April 1st | Mrs. L. Tibor |
| Wed. April 2nd | Rev. A. Dufraimont |
| Thurs. April 3rd | Mrs. V. Eade |
| Fri. April 4th | Deacon P. Giroux |
| Sat. April 5th | Rev. S. Kucziak |

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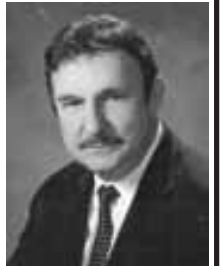
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