

Most Precious Blood Roman Catholic Parish

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Office Hours

Monday - Friday 9:00 a.m. - 12 noon 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Sunday Eucharist

Saturday: 5:00 p.m. Sunday: 9:30 a.m. and 11:15 a.m.

Reconciliation

Saturday: 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Also by appointment.

Baptisms

Celebrated during the Masses on the 1st Sunday of each month. Please call the office.

Marriage

Contact Father Greg one year in advance to book an appointment.

Sunday Friends

Every Sunday from September to June during the 11:15 a.m. Mass.

Vocations

If you are discerning a call to Priesthood, permanent deaconate or religious life, please contact Father Greg at the parish office.

Sunday March 8th, 2015 Third Sunday of Lent

Father Gregory J. Bonin, Pastor Rev. Mr. Frank Lepain, Deacon Mrs. Christine Coyle, Coordinator of Youth Ministry Mrs. Liz Desmarais, Secretary Mrs. Carol Lemire, Custodian / Maintenance Manager

Dear Parishioners,

A message from our Mayor, Mr. Drew Dilkens

The Shroud of Turin is one of the most examined and discussed artifacts in history. The Shroud is stored in the royal chapel of the Cathedral of Saint John the Baptist in Turin, Italy, but on March 11th, we welcome the exhibit titled "the Man of the Shroud" to Windsor and Most Precious Blood Church.

On loan from the Vancouver Shroud Association, the actual-size photographic reproduction of the Shroud, documentary boards and recreated artifacts are sure to draw people of faith from across the city, county, and beyond.

We welcome Shroud scholar, Barrie Schwortz. Mr. Schwortz has conducted Shroud lectures around the world and has appeared in programs and documentaries on every major broadcast and television network, including the History Channel, the Discovery Channel, the National geographic Channel, and CNN.

This exhibit depicts the fascinating story of this strip of linen which bears the image of a man who has been crucified and we welcome this opportunity to have it shared with everyone who views it over the next seven days.

Sincerely, Drew Dilkens Mayor

We thank our Mayor for his personal welcome letter. The time has now arrived for many people to experience a part of sacred history as a community and a Church this coming week. Father Greg

Earish Mission Statement

CENTERED IN CHRIST, WE ARE A WELCOMING COMMUNITY SHARING OUR TALENTS AND GOODNESS, JOYFULLY CELEBRATING AND REACHING OUT TO ALL.



MASS INTENTIONS March 9th – March 13th

Monday - No Mass

Tuesday 7 PM - Linda Centofanti - Family

- Mary Kucharski - *Rick & Bev Yuhasz* -Suzanne Marshall - *Charlie & Cindy Marier*

Wed. 8:30 AM - Silvana Mocarski - Elizabeth Temporal

Jack Irwin - Dorion Family Edward Dufour - Family

Thurs. 8:30 AM - Intentions of Marie Blake - Ron & Nina

-Julius Malinak - Bagin Family - Luigi Facca - Eliana Rumiel

Fri. 8:30 AM - Joe Lobzun - Bill & Bonnie Bailey

-Geraldine Lanoue - Bill & Bonnie Bailey

- Intentions of Barry Schwortz



Mon. Mar. 9th - 1 PM Quilters

- 7 PM Youth Group

Shroud Exhibition Times

March 11, 12 & 13 10 AM - 4 PM

6 PM - 9 PM

March 14 10 AM – 4 PM

6:30 PM - 9 PM

March 15 1 PM – 4 PM

6 PM - 9 PM

March 16 10 AM – 4 PM

6 PM - 9 PM

March 17 10 AM – 4 PM

Barry Schwortz Scheduled Speaker

March 12 & 13 10 AM, 1 PM & 6:30 PM

March 14 1 PM & 6:30 PM

Youth Ministry News

This past Monday we discussed the vocation of Marriage to the youth. Monica & Kyle Shafer provided a great witness talk on their journey to marriage and what the sacrament means to them. It was a great evening and a great start in teaching the young people the important of the Sacrament of Marriage and how prayer is so important when discerning your vocation. We are privileged to have Father Greg join us on Monday, March 9th to share with the young people his vocation journey to the Priesthood. Meetings are open to anyone in grades 5 through 8 and run from 7-8:30p.m. This past Monday we also gave out the permission form for our upcoming youth Shroud & Bowling Night on Friday, March 13th. We will meet here at the church for 6:30pm; go through the church to see the Man of the Shroud and then head out for some bowling fun. If you would like a form for your child to participate please contact the office. The cost is \$10 (includes 2 games of bowling, shoe rental and a small snack). Please contact Christine for more questions.

RCIC Update

We will be starting up our final sessions of our RCIC program this Monday, March 9th. Please keep the older children preparing for baptism and their families in your prayers.

First Eucharist Update

This past Wednesday we had our family gathering for all the children and their parents who are preparing to receive their First Communion. Contact Christine as soon as possible if you missed this meeting as important information was given out. Work booklets are due on Thursday, March 19th.

Youth Stations of the Cross

On Friday, March 27th the young people will be leading the parish in the Stations of the Cross devotion in their own prayerful "creative" expression. The start time for the youth Stations of the Cross will be 7pm.

What is Youth Alpha (in a nutshell)?

When: The 8 Week course will begin on Monday,
May 4th from 6:30-8:45pm
Where: In the Most Precious Blood Church hall
Who: This course is open to all teens, non-baptized,
baptized, strong faith, questioning faith...
Cost: none More details coming out!

DID YOU KNOW??

Remember when you leave this earth, you can take with you nothing that you have received, only what you have given; A full heart, enriched by honest service, love, sacrifice and courage.

St. Francis of Assisi

EASTER DECORATIONS

Parishioners of Most Precious Blood Parish have the opportunity to remember deceased loved ones by making a donation to decorate our church during the Easter Season. All you have to do is write "Easter Decorations" on an envelope. Inside the envelope kindly write the name(s) of the deceased on a piece of paper, and along with a donation of your choice, seal it and place in the offertory basket. All donations must be submitted by Friday, March 20th. A portion of our Easter bulletin will be dedicated in loving memory of our deceased loved ones with their names listed in the bulletin. Please make cheques payable to Most Precious Blood Church.

CHURCH CHUCKLE

A Sunday school teacher said to her children, "We have been learning how powerful Kings and Queens were in Bible times.

But, there is a Higher Power. Can anybody tell me what it is?"

One child blurted out, "Aces!"

OFFERTORY GIFTS

Last week the collection was \$5,754.75

Direct Deposit(avg. per week) \$1,269.50

Total Collection \$7,024.25

Building fund collection last week was \$210.00

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE

Building fund collection year to date is \$3,512.00

Thank you for your generosity

Precious One's

As of this time we are putting our Precious Ones child care ministry at the 11:15am mass on hold. Unfortunately we did not have enough volunteers to keep this ministry going, but if more people come forward who are interested in helping, we will relook at starting up again. What is promising is that we have a few qualified individuals who are open to providing child care during "special" adult/ family events when parents would like to attend, but their child is unable to, for example, the marriage retreat in February. We had 7 young children in attendance that evening. Contact Christine for more questions/ clarifications.

2015 DAY OF CONFESSIONS Wednesday, March 25th

Over this week let us make the journey into the heart of our relationship with God. Take a long loving look at the ways God calls you to grow. Take this challenge and hold it in readiness for the rich blessing that is manifest in sacrament of reconciliation. In our parish the schedule for the Day of Confessions is as follows:

10am – noon 2pm – 4 pm 7pm – 8:30 pm

LENTEN FOOD DRIVE

Society of St. Vincent de Paul Most Precious Blood Conference will collect non-perishable food items during the Lenten Season.

Week 4 Pork & Beans Week 5 Crackers

SALMON DINNER

The CWL will be sponsoring their annual Salmon Dinner on Friday, March 27th. Tickets prices are \$13.00 for adults and \$7.50 for children under 9 and will be available after masses on March 14/15 and 21/22. Please note: There is **NO Soup** on this day only.

Father Gregory J. Bonin 25th Anniversary to the Priesthood 1990-2015

Mass of Thanksgiving at Most Precious Blood Church on Sunday, May $3^{\rm rd}$ at 2 pm. Light refreshments following Mass.

Evening celebration at The Serbian Centre, 6770 Tecumseh Rd. E. Reception at 5 pm with dinner at 6pm. Tickets are \$35.00 each and will be available at the parish. Cash bar and no reserved seating.

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