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BURNING WITHIN

by Lucinda M. Vardey

Do you wonder where Peter received his wisdom as he preached to the people of Judea and the high priests of Jerusalem correcting them about Jesus? Certainly he was filled with the Holy Spirit but there again, he might have learned much from those two disciples on the road to Emmaus who were personally guided through scripture by the Risen Lord. We are told that they returned to Jerusalem and told the apostles and their companions.

It is interesting to note who Jesus chose to appear to, and how he appeared: first mistaken for a gardener by Mary Magdalene, and later not recognized at all, a stranger who walked beside the couple (who some theologians suggest could have been a man and woman).

Jesus is no longer speaking in parables: the resurrected Jesus now speaks directly, interpreting himself in all the scriptures. And, as he does so, scripture is being written in the encounter, an encounter that moved those who listened, to feel their hearts burn within them.

What we read in these early accounts of the making of our Church is how what happened at the Passover meal is being established at the tables of Jesus' followers. Jesus is recognized in the breaking of the bread, the Eucharist. The fellowship of eating together must continue as it did before the crucifixion. But now, his presence is revealed in a different way. He turns up in our sorrow, he brings hope in our confusion, clarity to our minds, purity to our hearts.

As the two disciples begged him to stay with them, Jesus accepts. The Son of Man who had no place to lay his head except his own chest on the wood of the cross, comes home to dwell forever in our hearts.

Sunday's Readings:
Acts 2.14, 22b-28
1 Peter 1.17-21
Luke 24.13-35

JOHN FORD FIRST SUNDAY FOOD DRIVE

Next weekend (**May 6/7**) is our John Ford First Sunday food drive. If you would like to contribute, kindly bring all non-perishable food items to the vestibule of the church next weekend. Since we have resumed our Out of the Cold and Miller Group outreach programs, we are most in need of the following food and hygiene items:

- Oatmeal cookies, chocolate chip cookies, wafer cookies, digestive cookies
- Sugar replacement packets (such as Splenda)
- Apple sauce, fruit cocktail
- White, long grain rice
- dry red lentils
- Chicken broth
- Canned beans; kidney, white, chickpea
- Canned corn, peas
- Canned diced tomatoes
- Canned sliced black olives
- Seasoned crutons
- Caesar Salad dressing
- Olive Oil, canola Oil
- Balsamic vinegar, cider vinegar
- Lemon juice, honey
- Sun lotion protection and lip balm

Thank you for your continued generosity!

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION WEEK

The Archdiocese of Toronto was pleased to take part in the National Volunteer Appreciation Week- April 23-29, 2017. The Archdiocese of Toronto acknowledges the hard work and dedication that our family of over 30,000 volunteers generously provides in supporting 221 parishes, 24 missions, 2 chapels and satellite offices across the Archdiocese of Toronto.

In keeping with our Archdiocese's observance of National Volunteer Week, we also celebrate the many volunteers who contribute their enthusiasm, energy, and countless hours to create a culture of giving in our very special parish community. Your actions create a ripple far beyond your immediate circle of influence- inspiring the wider Church!

CONSCIENCE RIGHTS IN A FAITH CONTEXT

On **Monday, May 15 at 7:00pm**, Cardinal Gerhard Muller (Prefect for the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith) will present on Conscience Rights in a Faith Context: A Catholic Response to Euthanasia and Physician-Assisted Death.

The evening will begin with prayer followed by the **keynote address at 7:30pm in St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica** (65 Bond Street). This event is free and open to the public.

WOMEN AND MISSION TODAY LECTURE

The Mary Ward Centre will be hosting a talk on Women and Mission Today: Combating Human Trafficking—The Theology and the Stories.

The guest speaker is Imelda Poole (IBVM English Province), who has been on mission in Albania for 11 years, established Mary Ward Loreto Foundation in Tirana, Albania to combat trafficking. Imelda is President of RENATE, a European network seeking to end human trafficking and rehabilitate victims. We invite you to join us on the evening of **Thursday, May 18 at 7:00pm at The Mary Ward Centre (70 St. Mary Street)** to hear Imelda speak. This lecture is free and open to the public. For more information, contact Ann at mcgowan@marywardcentre.ca or call 647-259-2951.

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION CONFERENCE

The Canadian Christian Meditation Community's Biennial National Conference will be held at St. Michael's College, 50 St Joseph St, Toronto on the weekend of **May 26-28, 2017**.

The theme of the conference will be 'Journeying Towards Spiritual Wholeness.' The keynote speaker will be Fr. Paul Geraghty, one of Dom John Main's earliest followers. The registration fees are \$355 Single/\$310 (per person); Double residential or \$245 for Commuters. For the Conference flyer and registration form please go to wccm-canada.ca or call 647-995-9282.

LAST SUNDAY'S OFFERTORY:

Sunday, April 23, 2017 \$6,682.50



MASS INTENTIONS

APRIL 30th - MAY 6th

Sunday 9:00am- 10:30am- 12:00pm- 4:30pm-	Third Sunday of Easter Emilio & Carlotta Corte (+) Pro Populo Myung Family (liv.) Sophia Cruz (+)
Monday 7:30am- 12:10pm-	Lucy Chandrasekera (liv.)
Tuesday 7:30am- 12:10pm-	Saint Athanasius Dalip Sidhu (+)
Wednesday 7:30am- 12:10pm-	Saints Philip and James The Thalheiner Family Stefan & Anna Papez (+)
Thursday 7:30am- 12:10pm-	Caterina Ciavarella (+), Frank & Mike Gregoire (+,+)
Friday 7:30am- 12:10pm-	Vocations
Saturday 5:00pm-	Romano Pascolo (+)

PRAY FOR THE SICK, especially, Mary O'Brien, Claire Fidler, Kam Fung Tem, Angel Martinez, Margaret-Mary McKenzie, Joe Torres, Lucille Mirvish, Celerina Agpoon, Bernice Casey, Concha Gaeitereiro, Clare DeMello, Erika Farncomb, Filomena La Rocca, Joseph Troncone, Hai Luen Liu, Neil McCormack, Jack Gervais, Sue Lockwood, and Barbara MacMahon-Firestone.

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