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SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD



Solemnity of Mary ~ 1 January 2017

*“Hail, Holy Mother, who gave birth to the King
Who rules heaven and earth for ever.”
(Isaiah 9:1,5)*

First Reading + Numbers 6:22-27
Second Reading + Galatians 4:4-7
Gospel + Luke 2:16-21

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, January 2

NO MASS SCHEDULED

Tuesday, January 3

5:30pm+Marian Cenacle

6:00pm+**HOLY HOUR**

6:15pm – 6:45pm + CONFESSIONS

7:00pm+Ernie DEAN, RIP – M Jankovich

Wednesday, January 4

8:00am+Donna GILLIS, RIP – G Gillis

Thursday, January 5

8:00am+Mary MOLLOY, RIP – S Cameron/P St. Croix

10:30am+Mass at Kingsmere Community

Friday, January 6

12:10pm+Mary WALSH, RIP – J/A Pendergast

Saturday, January 7

(daily mass at Immaculate Conception)

9:00am+Joe/Helen SMUG, RIP – S Smug

5:00pm+Herb/Emilia BINCZ, RIP – E Durkan

Sunday, January 8

9:00am+Mary WALSH, Rip – T/P Lynch

10:30am+FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

FROM THE DESK OF FR. GLASS:

My house shall be called a house of prayer.

Bramachari (a Hindu monk visiting America) had gone into a few Catholic churches out of curiosity. He told me that these were the only ones in which he really felt that people were praying. It was only there that religion seemed to have achieved any degree of vitality among us as far as he could see. There, God seemed to be a matter of real concern, something that struck deep in their natures, not merely pious sentiment. — Thomas Merton, *The Seven Storey Mountain* (1948).

I have been reading Cardinal Robert Sarah's new book, *The Strength of Silence*. With all the turmoil that is going on today in the world and in the Church, one would think that there were more pressing things to write about than “silence.” Cardinal Sarah insists, however, that there is no more pressing need, because it is only in silence that we can escape the current “dictatorship of noise” and hear the voice of God speaking to us in our hearts. The great prophet Elijah, fleeing for his life and taking refuge in a mountain cave, heard God speaking to him not in the tumult of the storm but in the silence of a “still small voice.”

Pope John Paul II, in his encyclical *Novo Millennio Ineunte* — “at the beginning of the new millennium” — called for “a Christian life distinguished above all *in the art of prayer*”:

Only the experience of *silence and prayer* offers the proper setting for the growth and development of a true, faithful and consistent knowledge of that mystery which finds its culminating expression in the solemn proclamation by the St. John: “And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth; we have beheld his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father.

Yes, dear brothers and sisters, our Christian communities must become genuine “schools” of prayer. It would be wrong to think that ordinary Christians can be content with a shallow prayer that is unable to fill their whole life. Especially in the face of the many trials to which today's world subjects faith, they would be not only mediocre Christians but “Christians at risk.”

St. Theresa of Calcutta said, “The most important thing is to pray, to pray, to pray.” When asked, “Mother Teresa, isn't it almost impossible to live as a Christian in today's world?” she replied: “Yes! In fact, it is *so* difficult that we cannot do it without the aid of prayer.”

My most heart-felt wish is that all of us — individually, in our families, in our parish, in our schools, in our community — may cultivate the spirit of *silence and prayer*, to shut out the noise of the world and to open the ears of our hearts to listen to the “still small voice.” As we begin this new year, I ask for your prayers and I pray that God may richly bless all of us.

Saint of the Week:

Mercy is not the least of the beatitudes. Let us lay hold of this blessing, let us earn the name of being considerate, let us be generous. Not even night should interrupt you in your duty of mercy. There should be no delay between your intention and your good deed. Generosity is the one thing that cannot admit of delay.

— Saint Gregory of Nazianzen (330-390), *Doctor of the Church, Feast Day January 2*



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Wednesday, January 4th

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Thank You

The Pastoral Staff at St. Paul's Parish would like to **thank you all for your greetings and gifts we received over Christmas.** It makes our job easier and more enjoyable to know that so many of you are thankful and appreciative of our ministry and are also praying for us. Let us keep the Christmas spirit of loving, sharing and giving throughout the whole year. And let us always be thankful to God for the greatest gift He could give us - **the Gift of His Only Son, Jesus.**

We are also very grateful to **all those parishioners that helped to decorate both churches for Christmas.** Thank you All - God Bless- Have a Blessed and Happy New Year!

CWL NEWS.....

Northern Region Social, Sunday, January 29th from 2:00 to 4:00 pm hosted by St. Patrick's, Phelpston, Council at Our Lady of Lourdes, Elmvale

Diocesan Development Day, Saturday, February 11th from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm (Mass is at 8:30 am), at Christo Rei Parish, 3495 Confederation Parkway, Mississauga, \$10 registration fee will be paid by CWL. - Northern region will have a bus beckettcarla@gmail.com to register.



The Knights of Columbus and the Columbian Squires are hosting their annual **Parish Breakfast on January 15 at 10:00am** for all parishioners in both N. Adjala and



Alliston to attend. The menu will consist of, sausages, scrambled eggs, potatoes, bread and beverage. Donations will be gratefully accepted. There will be a **Commissioning of Altar Servers** at the 10:30am Mass and The Knights will be acknowledging the Altar Servers at the breakfast with merit certificates for their dedicated service.



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The Society of St. Vincent de Paul wishes to thank you for your continued support in our effort to assist less fortunate individuals and families in our community. Our Christmas collection was successful and thank you for helping us to bring a little cheer this Christmas to approximately 20 families with 47 children and 20 single men and women.

Also, we desperately require 'volunteers' (especially more men) to assist with visits to distribute food vouchers. If you can volunteer a few hours a month and wish to help, please contact Paul Healy, President at (705) 435- 4951.

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