

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASSES THIS WEEK AT ST. MICHAEL'S

Psalter III

MON. Jan. 28 *St. Thomas Aquinas*
12:05 PM † **THERESA MORRIS** –*Eloi & Betty Richard*

TUES. Jan. 29
12:05 PM † **ALLAN NICKERSON** –*his Wife*

WED. Jan. 30
12:05 PM † **PAT MOWAT** –*The Family*

THURS. Jan. 31 *St. John Bosco*
12:05 PM † **FRANK ROCHETTA** –*Katherine Hart*

FRI. Feb. 1
12:05 PM † **ELEANOR & GORDON ENGLISH**
–*Vic & Colleen Olsen*

▶ **Eucharistic Adoration** following 12:05 Mass to 1:30PM ◀

SATURDAY, February 2

5:00 PM † **IN HONOUR OF & THANKSGIVING TO ST. ANTHONY**

SUNDAY, February 3

9:00 AM † **JOZEF SWIERCZEK** –*Nick & Rita Marrocco*

11:00 AM **MISSA PRO POPULO** (*People of the Parish*)

Next Weekend's Readings • *Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time*
1st Zephaniah 2.3; 3.12-13 2nd 1 Corinthians 1.26-31
Gospel Matthew 5.1-12a

EVENTS/MEETINGS THIS WEEK

- Tues. 29**—7:00 PM RCIA in Parish Centre
- Tues. 29**—7:30 PM KofC Officer & Committee -CCC
- Wed. 30**—12:30 PM Legion of Mary in Parish Centre
- Thurs. 31**—1:00 PM Seniors Progressive Euchre at Columbus Community Centre
- Thurs. 31**—7:00 PM Christian Prayer & meditation Group in Parish Centre
- Sat. 2**—10:00 AM Altar Server Practice in Church

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Terry O'Sullivan, Fr. Henry, Matilda Eikens, Jean Boudreau, Pat Lucyshyn, Noreen Mark, Gerrard Heffernan, Antoinette Brisson, Joe May, Gracillia Niziol, Billy Thomson, Julie Black, Adrian Stimers, Kim Hope, Stan Johnston, Louis Carigan, Ronald Heffernan, Fred Williams, Wendy Gregoriades, Denise Palermo, Anne Driscoll, Mark Martel, Trevor DeMattos, Diane Bartlett, David Wright, Lorna Watts, Shirley Ferguson, Greg Heenan, *May they find support in our prayers.*

REFLECTION

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Gospel Summary The reading today from Matthew's Gospel takes place early in Jesus' ministry. Several ideas are clear. First of all, Matthew strived to connect his Gospel for the early Christians to their Jewish heritage. He made several references in his Gospel like the one today in which prophecies of old are fulfilled in Jesus. The second thing was that Jesus learned of John the Baptist's arrest and resolved to begin his ministry away from Herod. Finally, Jesus called with some urgency, his first four disciples. The common thread to all this was that God's Kingdom was at hand.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION



Topic: The Seven Deadly Sins; Works of Mercy; Spiritual Works of Mercy
Presenter: Bernedette Forester, Loretta Ubell & Wayne Trigg
Time: Tues. Jan. 29 @ 7PM

COLLECTION REPORT

∞ A Summary of Your Generosity ∞
January 20—\$4403. ▲\$329. *More than last year!*
Thank You! Restoration Fund last week: \$2625. *FYI Keeping our offertory up exempts our restoration fund from being taxed by the Chancery.*

VOCATION VIEW

Jesus said: "Come after me and I will make you fishers of men." Today he could say: "I will make you mechanics of souls; doctors of wounded hearts, counsellors of broken families; clowns in a joyless society." But regardless, Come.

LATIN MASS

ST. THOMAS MORE, Millbrook
Next Sunday, February 3, 2008 at 3:00 PM
Celebrant: Fr. Joseph Devereaux

This Mass fulfills your Sunday day of obligation.

ALTAR SERVERS PRACTICE

Reminder of Altar Servers practice on first Saturday of the month, NEXT Saturday, February 2 at 10:00 AM in the Church. Please try to attend, this commitment benefits everyone.

YOUTH 'VALENTINE' DANCE

Fri. February 1 @ 7:00 PM in
St. Michael's School gym. Grades 5 to 8

Cost is \$5.00 which includes one free drink & snack.
Chaperones are welcomed! DJ Wee Be Chillun will provide the entertainment. Come out & bring a friend.
GREAT DOOR PRIZES GREAT FUN!

MURAL RESTORATION

So you hate carrying loose change? As a fundraiser for the Mural Restoration loonies or townies can be dropped inside the pyramid box found near the water font at the entrance of the Church. Thank you. For those who made a three year pledge to the Mural Restoration Fund, and can't remember what or when your commitment is, please contact the office for a reminder 905.372.6844.

CURSILLO WEEKEND

Cursillo is an inspirational weekend. It is a method of supporting and encouraging our lives as Christians. Consider doing a Cursillo weekend, it could enhance your life! The Men's weekend is Friday, February 29 to Monday March 3, 2008. For more information see flyers at entrance of the Church or call Gwen & Thomas 905.373.1867. Also next weekend Feb.2/3 a Cursillista will address the congregation after communion. Please stay & listen.

CWL MEMBERSHIP FEES

The Catholic Women's League membership fees for 2008 are now due. The fee is \$20. There is a special pink envelope in your offertory box provided for you

Thank you

Did you notice the new candle stands? Thanks to our ecclesiastical handyman Ed Cormier for his commitment to St. Michael's Church.

Villa St. Joseph - Retreat Day

Desert Wisdom Retreat Day: The art of letting go without losing the way; a guide to inner freedom; essential elements for discovery of the true self. Retreat Day is Wed. January 30, 2008 from 9:30 to 4:00 PM. Call 905 37202741 Website www.villastjoseph.ca for more information.

CAMP NORTHERN LIGHTS

Last weekend we collected \$1138.00 for Camp Northern Lights. The campers, counsellors, staff and board of directors thank you for your generosity. Donations can still be made with cheques payable to Camp Northern Lights. For further information call Camp Director Fr. Bill Moloney at 705 645-2294.

2007 INCOME TAX RECEIPTS

Your 2007 donations will be available for pick up next weekend, February 2/3, 2008, at the entrance of the Church. Please pick up your receipt, and thank you for your generosity! **Also,** there still are a number of offertory envelope boxes that have not been picked up. Please take a moment to get yours today. This is the only way we can keep track of your offerings. Thank you.

USED STAMPS

Your used stamps can be brought to the Church anytime. Sister Rita from the Sisters of St. Joseph will be glad to receive them for her charities! Please support this campaign for the benefit of others.

LENTEN RETREAT AT HOME

Inserted in today's bulletin is our Lenten Retreat. Please take a moment to read this introduction. With Lent around the corner (*Ash Wednesday is February 6, 2008*) this introduction will provide you and your family information on how this program will work. Each weekend during Lent, you will find an insert which will guide you and prepare you on your Lenten journey.

Renewing our appreciation of INDULGENCE

To mark the 150th Anniversary of Mary's appearance to St. Bernadette at Lourdes, France, Pope Benedict XVI has authorized a special plenary indulgence to encourage renewed holiness. To obtain this plenary indulgence, the requirements are; 1) a person must go to confession within a reasonably short period of time (around Feb. 2-11/08); 2) receive the Eucharist; 3) pray the Lords Prayer, the Creed, prayers to Mary, and pray for the intentions of the Pope. (For a more detailed explanation on this particular Indulgence, see fliers at Church entrance.)

This can be an opportunity for the faithful to turn over a new leaf, wipe the slate clean and get back on the road to salvation.

Note: in addition to normal confession times (Sat. at 4:15-4:45PM), Father will hear confessions on Sunday Feb. 3 at 7:00 PM in the Church. While confessions are heard, the 'Scriptural Rosary' will be prayed in the Church.

Reminder...

Afternoons for Couples MARK YOUR CALENDAR for February 3 & 10, 2008 from 1:00 to 4:30 PM in the Parish Centre

ROSARIES FOR SALE

Handmade rosaries are once again available for sale in the Parish Centre. Cost: \$10. each.

Do you have a broken rosary? Place your rosary in a sealed envelope with your name and phone # marked clearly on it and place it in the offertory basket.

There is no charge for these repairs.

DEVELOPMENT & PEACE – Share Lent



Development
and Peace

If you missed last weekends bulletin insert of the Lifestyle Awareness calendar, extra copies are available at the entrance of the Church. Please pick up a copy today!

FYI

Please Note: The secretary will be away from the office from January 28 to February 6, 2008. Br. Jerry will be 'filling in' part time, so if you must contact the office, leave a message on the phone and your call will be returned as soon as possible.