



Fourth Sunday of Lent

MASSES THIS WEEK AT ST. MICHAEL'S

Psalter IV

MON. March 3

12:05 PM † JOHN FAHEY

—Marg DePinto & Family

TUES. March 4

12:05 PM † DOREEN PAVLOVITSCH

--Barbara & Allan Symonds

WED. March 5

12:05 PM † KATHLEEN KELLY

--Nick & Rita Marrocco

THURS. March 6 @ Legion Village

10:00 AM † KAY SMITH —Connie Burge

FRI. March 7

7:00 PM † DECEASED MEMBERS OF LADIES AUXILIARY

SATURDAY, March 8

5:00 PM † Deceased Members of the BUDICKY FAMILY --The Family

SUNDAY, March 9

9:00 AM MISSA PRO POPULO

11:00 AM † JOSEPHINE KERNAGHAN

--The Family

Next Weekend's Readings • *Fifth Sunday of Lent*

1st Ezekiel 37.12-14 • 2nd Romans 8.8-11

Gospel. John 11.1-45

EVENTS/MEETINGS THIS WEEK

Tues. 4—7:00 PM RCIA in Parish Centre

Tues. 4—5:00 PM Solidarity Supper @ St. Mary's

Wed. 5—12:30 PM Legion of Mary in Parish Centre

Wed. 5—2:00 PM Patrician Meeting in Parish Centre

Thurs. 6—1:00 PM Seniors Prog. & Bid Euchre at CCC

Thurs. 6—7:00 PM Prayer Group in Parish Centre

Fri. 7—World Day of Prayer (see ad)

Sat. 8—1:30 PM Baptism Prep. Program in Parish Centre

Sat. 8—Altars Servers 'Fun Night' in Parish Centre

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Andy Amelia, Bob Pickett, Gladys Reid, Hugh MacDonald, Marie Beauvais, Rosemary Roth, Matilda Eikens, Jean Boudreau, Noreen Mark, Antoinette Brisson, Joe May, Julie Black, Kim Hope, Stan Johnston, 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 the Lord's healing hand touch them.*

LENT 2008

Gospel Summary Using saliva and earth, Jesus made a paste to heal the blind man. The healing became a true conversion for the man, but created some problems for Jesus with the Jewish leaders. Because this healing took place on the Sabbath, the Pharisees accused Jesus of breaking Jewish law. The Pharisees tried to get confirmation of this action from the blind man's parents and from the blind man himself. In the end, the authorities were unable to charge Jesus with any wrongdoing and had to recognize that Jesus was gaining many disciples.

Lenten Thoughts of the week... If we were computers, Lent would be a time to overhaul our disk drive. If we were TV sets, Lent would be a time to adjust our focus and our fine tuning. If we were silverware, Lent would be a time to clean away our tarnish.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

Friday, March 7, 2008 7:00 PM

AN ECUMENICAL MOVEMENT OF INFORMED PRAYER AND PRAYERFUL ACTION 2008 World Day of Prayer is an Ecumenical Service for all. This day is organized by women throughout the world, and this year the service will celebrate the women of *The Cooperative Republic of Guyana*. In our



community this celebration will be held at Glad Tidings Church on Courthouse Rd., Cobourg. Rev. Claire Wade of St. Peter's, who is from Guyana herself, is the featured speaker.

RCIA



RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION

Topic: Study of the Fourth Sunday of Lent & Sacrament of Reconciliation

Presenter: Sem. Jerry Tavares

Time: Tues. March 4 @ 7PM

PATRICIAN MEETING

The next Patrician meeting (branch of Legion of Mary), is scheduled for next Wednesday, March 5 at 2:00 PM in the Parish Centre. There will be a group discussion based on St. Therese of Lisieux also known as St. Therese of the Little Flower. Light refreshments will be served. Hope to see you out!

COLLECTION REPORT

∞ A Summary of Your Generosity ∞

February 24th: \$5338. ▲\$1000. More than last year!
Restoration Fund: \$1350.

MURAL RESTORATION

If in doubt about your three year pledge, please contact the office for clarification! We are hoping to bring Carlos and crew back in the Fall to finish the mural restoration.

RESPECT LIFE OFFICE CHOCOLATE EASTER EGGS FOR \$ALE



The Belgium chocolate Easter eggs will be available to purchase following all Masses over the next three weekends, beginning March 1/2, \$3.00 each or two for \$5.00, also available at the Parish Office. Proceeds go directly to the Respect Life Office, Peterborough.

The tax man cometh...

There are still a large number of tax receipts at the entrance of the Church. Please take a moment and pick up your copy. Every little bit helps.

CONGRATULATIONS

A number of our parishioners received 'Awards' on Wed. Feb. 27 at Victoria Hall for the 2007 Civic Awards Ceremony. St. Michael's was well represent and congratulations to: Bob Kearney, Mark Leonard, Andrew Robertson, Marianne Poirier, Jessica Meers, Heather MacFarlane, Gus Bambridge, Peter Lorenz and to St. John's Organization who was represented by Jim Maguire. This event can be viewed in full on Cogeco Cable 10. Congratulations again to these, and all our volunteers.

SHARE LENT—THIS WEEK



A Solidarity Supper in support of Development & Peace, Share Lent sponsored by St. Michael's Parish, KofC, C.W.L., and the schools. Join us at **St. Mary's Secondary School, Tuesday, March 4 from 5 to 7 PM.** Suggested offering is \$5/person, \$10/family. Supper begins a 5:00 PM to 6:00

PM, then an inspirational Tsunami DVD from 6:15 to 7:00 PM. All are welcome! Bring a friend!

NEW BULLETIN ADVERTISER

We welcome 'Buy the Time' Personal Concierge & Errand Service! Owner, Anne Marie Summers a parishioner, is offering a variety of services to make your life less complicated. Check out her ad, and all our current advertisers, and show our support by patronizing their services. It's worth the look!

'The fruit of silence is prayer; the fruit of prayer is faith; the fruit of faith is love; the fruit of love is service; the fruit of service is peace.' *Mother Teresa*

STATIONS OF THE CROSS WHY NOT MAKE THIS ONE OF YOUR LENTEN COMMITMENTS.



We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you! Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world! The Stations of the Cross are prayed every Friday at 6:30PM in the Church. Led by Ladies Auxiliary.

LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS A re-enactment of Jesus' final hours

Due to lack of response and interest, this endeavour will not happen. Any ideas? Thank you to those parishioners who did come out, and their show of support.

ALTAR SERVERS FUN NIGHT

Next, Saturday, March 9, following the 5:00 PM Mass there will be a 'Fun Night' for Altar servers in the Parish Centre. Dinner/games/prizes. Servers please attend 5:00 PM Mass and then join in the fun.

FAMILY SKATE DAY NEXT-Sun. March 9

Arrangements have been made at the Grafton Arena (on Hwy. 2) on Sunday, March 9 from 4 to 5:00 PM to have a fun, family skate for families and friends of St. Michael's parish. Cost is \$1.00 per person. Refreshments available following the skate. There also will be a 'free will offering' for the Save-A-Family Plan. Hope to see you out! Call if you need a ride.

VISIONTV

This week, March 3 & 4 at 7:00 & repeated again at 11:00 PM on VISIONTV "Keeping a Mellow Heart in a Bitter Time" Parts 1 & 2; the National Catholic Mission for 2008. The host is internationally acclaimed writer and speaker, Fr. Ron Rolheiser, O.M.I. Check their website: www.daily-mass.ca

PIE PLEDGE FOR PALM SUNDAY



Catholic Women's League is seeking your help! We are asking you to pledge (bake) a pie to be sold to parishioners on Palm Sunday, which is March 16. CWL members will take the pledges for pies today or by calling Carol at 905 372-2742. This

is one of our new fund raisers, as we are no longer holding a tea this year. So all you bakers, please help out!

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION COURSE

On Saturday, March 8, 2008 at 1:30 PM in the Parish Centre a course will be held for those parents wishing to have their child/children baptized in the Catholic faith. You may also attend if you are expecting a child in the near future. If you have not yet registered with the office, please contact us at 905 372-6844.