

# Pentecost Sunday

*All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit.*

## **MASSES THIS WEEK AT ST. MICHAEL'S**

*Psalter IV -- Year B*

Next week is the annual Clergy Retreat for the priests of the Peterborough Diocese. Bishop De Angelis requests that *all* priests, including retired priests, be in attendance for this week of renewal. It is held at a Retreat Centre in Mississauga.

**MON. June 1**

12:05 PM **NO MASS**

**TUES. June 2**

12:05 PM **NO MASS**

**WED. June 3**

12:05 PM **NO MASS**

**THURS. June 4**

12:05 PM **NO MASS,**

**FRI. June 5**

12:05 PM **NO MASS**

### **Saturday, June 6**

**5:00 PM † DAN LEGUARD**

*--The Leguard Family*

### **Sunday, June 7**

**9:00 AM † DECEASED MEMBERS OF  
THE LIS FAMILY**

*--The Family*

**11:00 AM MISSA PRO POPULO**

Next Weekend's Readings: **Trinity Sunday**

*1<sup>st</sup>: Deuteronomy 4.32-34, 39-40 2<sup>nd</sup> Romans 8.14-17*

*Gospel Matthew 28.16-20*

## **PRAYERS FOR THE SICK**

Jenna Jenkins, Joseph Slaven, Kathleen Tunney, Marie Solomon, Mary Meade, John Kuchma, James Cormier, Harm Zoelman, Joyce Hall, Jim Corkery, Alice Heffernan, Marion Maguire, Jack Baggaley, Bob Whelpley, Peg Lees, Tanya Green, Shawn Pentland, Lisa Dunn, Ed Godawa, Jean Ellis, Rosemary Roth, Lisa Sampson, Charles Potier, Marisca, Arlene Brown, Debbie Hale, Stanley Johnston, Jessica Gerber, Richard Philips, Lynn Fabris, Mary Beyette, Bill Vincent, Theresa Ferguson, Charles Bateman, Bob Pickett, Noreen Mark, Antoinette Brisson, Stan Johnston, Fred Williams, Denise Palermo, Mark Martel, Diane Bartlett *May the Lord's healing hand touch them.*

## **REFLECTION**

Following Jesus' crucifixion, the disciples were still uncertain of his message. They lost hope and in fear, locked themselves in a room. Without entering through the door, Jesus appeared before them with a greeting of peace and a mission to spread the Good News. The disciple, Thomas, was not in the room. When he learned of Jesus' visit, he would not believe it. But about a week later, Jesus appeared in a similar way and Thomas was with the others. Jesus invited Thomas to touch the wounds in his hands and side. Thomas knew immediately that it was Jesus and believed. **Reflection for Families** Parents are often the source of hope and encouragement for their children. When a child falls repeatedly while learning to walk or ride a bike, it is a parent who coaxes, encourages and praises the child. Parents provide hope and comfort when a child falls short of a goal either in academics, relationships, sports, or the arts. Parents can relate to the role of Jesus with his disciples. They were frightened and discouraged but they found hope and relief with the peace and presence of Jesus.

## **COLLECTION REPORT**

∞ **A Summary of Your Generosity** ∞

May 24 Sunday Offering \$4569.

*Thank you for your support!*

## **EVENTS/MEETINGS THIS WEEK**

**Tues. 2**—7:30 pm Movie Night for KofC Members and their Wives at the Columbus Comm. Centre. Pizza and popcorn will be served.

**Wed. 3**—12:30 pm Legion of Mary in Parish Cen.

**Wed. 3**—7:00 PM CWL Executive in Parish Centre

**Thurs. 4**—1:00 PM Seniors Progressive Euchre at Columbus Community Centre

**Thurs. 4**—7:00 PM Prayer/Meditation Group in PC

## **St. Vincent de Paul Society**

Just a reminder that next weekend, June 6/7 is the first weekend of the month and therefore, St. Vincent Society members will be at the door collecting for the needy of our community. Please continue to give generously. *T. Y.*

## **You're Invited**

His Excellency Bishop Nicola De Angelis invites you to an evening of music and dinner with His Excellency Bishop Michael Mulhall speaking on "THE HOPE OF THE CHURCH IN THE MODERN WORLD" Saturday, June 6, 2009 at 6:30 pm Trent University, Great Hall. Tickets are \$100 each. To order tickets or for more information call Catherine at Wayside Academy, (705)749-3658.

## Pentecost Sunday



Pentecost Sunday is one of the most ancient feasts of the Church, celebrated early enough to be mentioned in the Acts of the Apostles (20:16) and St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians (16:8). It is the 50th day after Easter, and it supplants the Jewish feast of Pentecost, which took place 50 days after the Passover and which celebrated the sealing of the Old Covenant on Mount Sinai. Christ had promised His Apostles that He would send His Holy Spirit, and, on Pentecost, they were granted the gifts of the Spirit. The Apostles began to preach the Gospel in all of the languages that the Jews who were gathered there spoke, and about 3,000 people were converted and baptized that day. That is why Pentecost is often called "the birthday of the Church." On this day, with the descent of the Holy Spirit, Christ's mission is completed, and the New Covenant is inaugurated. It's interesting to note that St. Peter, the first pope, was already the leader and spokesman for the Apostles on Pentecost Sunday (see Acts 2:14ff).

## Confirmation Today

This afternoon, (Sunday, May 31) at 2:00 pm, there will be a special Confirmation Mass. There are 72 Confirmands that will be receiving this beautiful sacrament. We can all be reminded that this gift gives us a special strength of the Holy Spirit to spread and defend the faith by word and action as true witnesses of Christ, to confess the name of Christ boldly, and *never* to be ashamed of the Cross. This sacrament also renders our bond with the Church more perfect. *Let us continue to pray for these young people on their journey of faith.*

## St. Joseph's Chapel

Due to the Clergy Retreat next week, June 1 to 5, there will be no Masses celebrated in the Church. Please note that St. Joseph's Chapel will be opened, *as usual*, daily from 8:30 am to 3:30 pm for those wishing to spend some time in prayer. Thank you for your cooperation.

## New Life Group –You're Invited

**St. Francis New Life Group** for separated, divorced and widowed Catholics will host an opportunity for interested Catholics to be addressed by **Fr. Joseph Devereaux** on the topics of **annulment, divorce and re-marriage** in the Catholic Church. Fr. Joseph Devereaux is the Associate Vicar of the Toronto Regional Marriage Tribunal and its Peterborough Diocese office. He is also a Pastor in this diocese.

When: **Saturday, June 20th at 7:00 PM**

Where: **St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church, Newcastle**

## Thank You

*Dear Fr. Hood and parishioners of St. Michael the Archangel parish in Cobourg,*



I would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank all of those who gathered for my Ordination last weekend. Your presence in the Church and reception afterwards means a lot to me. I especially thank all of those who gave of their time and talents to prepare for this beautiful celebration. To the music ministry, especially Katie Brown-Gagne and her choir for their dedication and wonderful music; and to my brother Seminarians who served the Holy Mass. I thank also the Knights of Columbus, Ladies Auxiliary and Catholic Women's League for their participation as well as the beautiful reception in the school gym. Finally, I thank everyone who has journeyed with me on this pilgrimage of faith, and have been supportive and understanding during this journey of mine - a journey to serve the Lord and to respond generously to His Call. I was very humbled by your support, your generosity and your many gifts. I thank you from the bottom of my heart. May God continue to shower His blessings upon you. Please continue to keep me in your prayers as now I prepare for my Priestly Ordination next May. *In Christ, Deacon Jerry Tavares*



*Villa St. Joseph Retreat Center*

Our next **Day of Stillness**: is this Wed., June 3. For those who like to plan ahead, the Village Earth Spirituality & Practicum will be held again this year from July 3-10, 2009 from Friday 7:00 pm to Friday 1:00 pm. This programme provides a unique opportunity to integrate theological learning and spiritual understanding within the horizon of Earth's presence and care. To register call 905 372-2741 or email [villa@eagle.ca](mailto:villa@eagle.ca) or visit their website [www.villastjoseph.ca](http://www.villastjoseph.ca)

## USHERS/GREETERS NEEDED

We are always looking for new people to assist with Mass as an Usher/Greeter! This is an important and necessary role in the Parish. Just ask the gentleman who had a heart attack last weekend (his wife called, and he is doing fine). They were ever grateful for the Ushers efficiency! Call Bob at 905 372-2991 or call the office. Your commitment is appreciated!