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Bishop: Most Rev. William McGrattan

Administrator: Fr. Craig Cruikshank

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Week of 19^{th} of February 2017

But I say to you,



and pray for those who persecute you, so you may be children of your Father in heaven...

Matt 5:44-45a

Coming up...

Tuesday, February 21st

9:00am – Mass in the Rectory (For Jim Durand)

Thursday, February 23rd

9:00am – Mass in the Rectory (For the sister of Pat Hoskins)

Saturday, February 25th

9:00am – Mass in church 9:45am – Kid's Group 2:45pm – Adoration and Confessions 4:00pm – Mass at St. Thomas More (For Bill Nelligan)

Sunday, February 26th

9:00am – Mass at St. Thomas More (For Ed Moran) 11:30am – Mass at St. Bernadette Mission (For the People)

Please remember in your prayers...

Those who are sick, especially: Erica Perk & Deacon Gerry McMurray

and those who have died, especially:

Anna Orlecki & Mary-Anne Lane Contact Fr. Craig to have a name added to this list for four weeks.

Thank you for your generous offerings

February 5th, 2017: \$1020 Average for 37 received envelopes: \$24.86 January eGive: \$666 (Weekly avg: \$25.06 for 6)

St. Thomas More Parish now offers eGive, Electronic Giving

Easy | *Secure* | *Convenient* | *Beneficial* See the parish priest to enroll

~ Regular Sunday Masses ~

Saturday, 4pm at St. Thomas More, Millbrook Sunday, 9am at St. Thomas More, Millbrook & 11:30am at St. Bernadette, Yelverton (Old United Church, Hwy 7 W, Yelverton)

~ Sacrament of Reconciliation ~

Sat 3pm - 3:40pm; Sun 8:20am - 8:45am or by appointment.

~ Baptisms ~

Parents seeking baptism for their child should see Father Craig after Mass or visit the website to download the information form. The Baptismal Preparation Period is completed at your own pace and usually takes about three weeks. Preparation can begin before the birth of your child.

~ Marriage ~

Couples seeking Marriage must meet Father Craig at least one year prior to a desired date.

~ Birthday & Anniversary Announcements ~

Anyone wishing to publicly share a birthday or anniversary with the community at the end of Mass should see Phil Unger or Father Craig before Mass begins. Anyone wishing to renew their marriage vows and receive a special blessing for a significant anniversary should see Fr. Craig at least one week in advance of the anniversary.

~ Organic Fair-trade Coffee ~

Organic, fresh, 100% Columbian fair-trade, Arabica coffee is available for purchase from Bruce or Francisca Gazley, at 705-932-1723 or after Coffee Sunday for \$12/lb. Available coffees are espresso or medium or dark roast, whole bean or ground. Deliveries to St. Bernadette can be arranged.

\sim Mens' and Womens' Groups \sim

The Mens' and Womens' Groups support our parish with community building events, fundraising and by meeting many other parish needs. They meet every second Saturday of the month after the 9am Mass.

~ formed.org parish code ~



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Kid's Group

Many things can make us feel afraid. But, Jesus reminds us that each person is precious to God. All children, especially those in kindergarten through grade four, are welcome to our parish hall on Saturday, February 25th after the 9am Mass to make friends and to prepare to meet Jesus by taking a look how God loves us and promises to always look out for us. With God's love, what do we need to fear?

Family Potluck Dinner

All are welcome to a potluck in the parish hall on Sunday, February 19th at 5pm. Bring something to eat and be ready to enjoy the culinary creations of others.

Living with Christ Parish Fundraiser

Help out our parish through a 'Living with Christ' Missalette subscription. Subscribe or renew by using the red and white forms found in the entrance of the church by March 15th. Submit the completed form to Fr. Craig. New subscriptions earn \$10 for the parish and renewals earn \$2 for the parish.

Pancake Breakfast

In place of coffee Sunday this month, the Mens' and Womens' groups invite you, your friends and family to a pancake breakfast after the 9am Mass on Sunday, February 26th.

Help is still needed for this breakfast. If you are able to help out, please sign up on the form at the main entrance to the church, or call Carol at 705-932-7683.

Lift Jesus Higher Rally

Mar 4th 9am - 5:30pm at Metro Toronto Convention Centre The Lift Jesus Higher Rally (LJHR) is an annual rally for Youth (youth have their own rally) and Adults that focuses on evangelizing through uplifting music, testimonials, confessions, reflections, Divine Mercy celebration a Eucharistic Procession and Mass. Admission is \$25 for adults and \$15 for youth. Visit www.lift-jesus-higher-rally.ca order tickets or to see all the details. If you've never been to this, it is very much worth checking out.

World day of Prayer, Prayer Service

"Am I Being Unfair to You?" Written by the Women of the Philippines

This year, our parish has the honour of hosting the World Day of Prayer, prayer service on Fri, Mar 3rd at 7pm, at St. Thomas More Catholic Church. Your presence and participation is important. Please join us, and invite family, friends, and community members to this ecumenical prayer service which unites us and Christians throughout the world in prayerful action awareness, and celebration for and with the women of the Philippines. Refreshments will follow! In case of inclement weather, the alternate date is Fri, Mar 10th. For more information, please contact Francisca Gazley at 705-932-1723.

Prayer for Bishops

Most Glorious God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, we pray for our Bishops.

You have appointed Jesus, Your only-begotten Son to be the eternal High Priest for the glory of Thy Majesty and the salvation of humankind; grant Your blessings upon Bishop McGrattan. Bless him for his faithful fulfillment of his ministry to the Diocese of Peterborough, and give us a new bishop who will lead us by his holiness of life and wisdom. Direct him to guide our diocesan family so that we may grow in your love.

O Mary, Virgin Mother of our Lord Jesus Christ, Hold all bishops close to your Immaculate Heart! Amen.