"...God, our God, has blessed us." Psalm 67: 6

20th August 2017

St. Thomas More Parísh and St. Bernadette Míssíon

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20th Week of Ordinary Time Coming up...

Monday, August 21st 6:30pm – Faith Sharing: Divine Mercy

Tuesday, August 22nd 9:00am – Mass in the church

Thursday, August 24th 9:00am – Mass in the church

Saturday, August 26th

9:00am – Mass at St. Thomas More church 2:45pm – Adoration and Confessions 4:00pm – Mass at St. Thomas More church (For the people)

Sunday, August 27th

9:00am – Mass at St. Thomas More church (For Donna McLarty) 11:30am – Mass at St. Bernadette Mission

Please remember in your prayers... Those who are sick, especially:

Erica Perk & Joseph and Hermine Jandristis

and those who have died.

Contact Fr. Craig to have a name added to this list for four weeks.

Thank you for your generous offerings

July 30th, 2017: \$1063 Average for 35 received envelopes: \$24.97 July eGive: \$809 (Weekly avg: \$26.10 for 7)

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 the parish priest after Mass or visit baptism.stthomasmillbrook.ca to complete an information form and to learn more about the Baptismal Preparation Period. 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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Adult faith sharing: Divine Mercy

Fr. Michael Gaitley speaks of the second greatest story ever told, the history of God's love and mercy, through recent historical events and saints. All are welcome to explore this story at the parish hall through prayer, a video and small group discussion. See the preview, full details and schedule at divinemercy.stthomasmillbrook.ca. Coming up:

Mon, August 21st, 6:30pm: Mary's Knight In the mix of people and events surrounding the Second Greatest Story Ever Told, one man emerges for his instrumental role in conquering hearts for Mary Immaculate, including that of Pope St. John Paul II.

Mon, September 11th, 6:30pm: The Final Question

The historical reality of the Second Greatest Story Ever Told includes every one of us—if we're willing to enter the story. Father Gaitley concludes the series with inspirational and practical tips to show us how.

New worship location for St. Bernadette's Mission

The community of St. Bernadette's Mission is moving! Beginning on Labour Day Weekend, St. Bernadette's Mission will begin worshiping at the old United Church in North Nestleton (1.5km north of Nestleton on Nestleton Rd.). The new location offers better facilities and new opportunities for reaching out to the larger community.

Confirmation *** Enrolment period ends on Sept 11^{tb} ! *** Youth who are about to complete the seventh grade and beyond are welcome to begin preparations to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation next spring. Visit confirmation.stthomasmillbrook.ca to see all details and to enrol.

70th Jubilee Celebration for Sr. Elizabeth Farley!

Sr. Elizabeth Farley of the Sisters of the Precious
Blood is celebrating the 70th Jubilee of her Religious
Life. There will be an open house September 10th from
3-5 pm in St. Alphonsus Liguori Parish Hall, 810
Frank St., Peterborough. Please RSVP her sister,
Catherine Moriarty, at 705-742-2739 so they have an
idea for food. Last minute drop-ins are most welcome!

Sail with Fr. Craig ** Only 3 trips remain **

From June through September, Father Craig welcomes parishioners as crew aboard his sailboat, Chinook Wind, on Sunday's for an evening sail on Lake Simcoe. Visit sail.stthomasmillbrook.ca for details and to sign up, or see Fr. Craig after Mass.

Alpha, a search for more in life

Explore life's greatest questions and ask yours in a comfortable and safe place, dinner included! Alpha begins at St. Thomas More Parish on September 18th. Visit www.millbrookalpha.ca for details and to sign up.

Pray with the Saints of Canada

Saint Kateri Tekakwitha (1656-1680)

Saint Kateri Tekakwitha was born in 1656 in New York State. When she was four, her parents and younger brother died in a smallpox epidemic. From the epidemic, her vision was damaged, so people named her "Tekakwitha", meaning "she who gropes her way" or "she who bumps into things." Kateri always remembered her mother's faith, and joined the Catholic Church as a teenager. She was treated badly by her community for her faith, and eventually left her village to join a Catholic community in Canada. Kateri Tekakwitha is the first Native American to be canonized a saint. She is also known as the Lily of the Mohawks. She died in Canada at age 24 and was canonized in 2012. Her feast day is July 14.

We pray: Dear Saint Kateri, you were filled with faith, spending hours in prayer and making crosses out of twigs even though you were made fun of and received threats for your belief. Intercede for us, so that all Canadian citizens may be gentle witnesses of God's goodness in times of unfairness and see with eyes of faith God's love in all situations. Amen.

St. Thomas More annual fall festival dinner

Coming soon, Friday, September 22nd, in the Church hall. This is a major fundraiser for our parish, and we invite all parishioners, new and familiar, to help make this a successful event! Mark your calendars.