10th September 2017

"O that today you would listen to his voice!" Psalm 95: 7

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23rd Week of Ordinary Time Coming up...

Monday, September 11th 6:30pm – Faith Sharing in the hall: Divine Mercy

Tuesday, September 12th 9:00am – Mass at St. Thomas More church

Thursday, September 14th

9:00am - Mass at St. Thomas More church

Saturday, September 16th

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

Sunday, September 17th

9:00am – Mass at St. Thomas More church (For Intentions of the CWC) 11:30am – Mass at St. Bernadette Mission (For the people)

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

Aug 13th, 2017: \$937 Average for 36 received envelopes: \$21.76 August 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, North Nestleton (Old United Church, Nestleton Rd., North Nestleton)

~ 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.

\sim Marriage \sim

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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Feed Your Faith

Sacred Heart College has a formation plan for you! Beginning Sept 7th, Sacred Heart College will offer 12 week courses including: Introduction to the Old Testament, Tolkien and Lewis, and The Adventure of Catholicism. All courses will be held at Sacred Heart College in Peterborough. Course fee for interest is \$125, and course fee for credit towards a degree is \$400. For more information contact our Registrar Sister Krolowa at 705-745-5549 or registrar@sacredheartcollege.ca. Check out www.sacredheartcollege.ca for full details.

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, 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 has moved! St. Bernadette's Mission now worships at the old United Church in North Nestleton (1.5km north of Nestleton on Nestleton Rd.).

Confirmation *** *Enrolment period ends on Sept 11th*! *** Youth who are entering 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.

Sail with Fr. Craig ** Only 2 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.

Prayer in the Park

All Christians are invited for a time to peacefully and publicly bless our city by praying The Lord's Prayer before the next full council meeting. Join us at Confederation Square, across from City Hall at 6pm on Sep 11th and Oct 2nd.

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, to preview Alpha and to sign up.

Questions explored on week one:

- Where do you go when you have big life questions?
- What makes you happy?

St. Thomas More annual fall festival dinner

Coming soon, Friday, September 22^{nd} , 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.

Pray with the Saints of Canada

Saint Brother André of Montreal (1845-1937) Saint André (Alfred Bessette) was born in 1845 in St-Gregoire-d'Iberville, Quebec, and was orphaned when he was twelve years old. He joined the Congregation of Holy Cross in 1870, and was given the job of doorkeeper at Notre Dame College in Cote-des-Neiges, Quebec. His great confidence and pious devotion to Saint Joseph inspired him to recommend the Saint's devotion to all those who were afflicted in various ways. In 1904 he began a campaign to build a chapel to honour St. Joseph (today's St. Joseph's Oratory in Montreal). Saint André was canonized in 2010 and his feast is January 6.

We pray: Dear Saint Brother André, you did not know how to read or write, but you knew how to be friendly and how to pray. As a door-keeper you turned to God through Saint Joseph praying for so many people that you met each day. As you were dying you are recorded as saying, "God is good! How beautiful and powerful he is! He must be beautiful, because the human soul, which is a reflection of God's beauty, is so beautiful!". Intercede for us, so that all Canadian citizens may find the beauty of the human soul in each other and respond each day in friendliness and prayer. Amen.

Development & Peace Workshop

Women at the Heart of Peace

This fall, Development and Peace launches a new campaign called Women at the Heart of Peace to invite Canadians to learn more about the vital role women play in conflict prevention and peacebuilding. Join us in paying tribute to the women who build peace in communities around the world. To learn more about the campaign and how to be a part of it, please join us at a workshop on Sat., Sept. 30th at St. Anne's Parish Centre, 859 Barnardo Ave., Peterborough. Registration and coffee 9:30 am. For further details contact kstaunton@cogeco.ca or 705-745-0034.