# He leads the humble in what is right... Psalm 25:9



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# 3<sup>rb</sup> Week of Ordinary Time Coming up...

**Tuesday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>** 9:00am – Mass at Rectory Chapel

**Thursday, January 25<sup>th</sup>** 9:00am – Mass at Rectory Chapel

Saturday, January 27<sup>th</sup> 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, January 28th

9:00am – Mass at St. Thomas More church (For Stella Boyle) 11:30am – Mass at St. Bernadette Mission (For Debbie Hardy)

Please remember in your prayers... *Those who are sick, especially:* Christine Fras, Erica Perk, & Hermine Jandristis

and those who have died, especially: David Weimen & Ed Moran Contact Fr. Craig to have a name added to this list for four weeks.

# Thank you for your generous offerings

January 7th, 2018: \$ 968.30 Average for 40 received envelopes: \$22.88 December eGive: \$809 (Weekly avg: \$20.15 for 8)

# St. Thomas More Parish now offers eGive, Electronic Giving

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**The Flying Fathers have returned!** The Lord has raised up a new generation of hockey playing priests who will compete at the Ennismore arena on Monday, January 29<sup>th</sup> at 6pm, featuring two priests of the Diocese of Peterborough, Fr.'s John Perdue and Paul Patrick. Tickets are

\$15 each, children under 12 free and can be purchased at www.ptbovocations.ca/hockey or by visiting the Vocations Office (820 Frank St. Ptbo) on Tue or Thu 8:30-4:30. Call 705-874-1871 for details.

#### The Second Annual St. Joseph Dinner

Tickets are available for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual St. Joseph Dinner in support of campus ministry. Funds raised support Catholic ministry to students at Trent University and Fleming College. The dinner will take place Saturday Feb 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Evinrude Centre Banquet Hall in Peterborough. Cocktail hour at 5:30, Dinner at 6:30. Students from Trent, Fleming and Sacred Heart College will speak, as will keynote speaker Bishop Daniel Miehm. Tickets are \$100 and are eligible for a \$50 charitable tax receipt. They can be purchased online at www.ptbovocations.ca/dinner or by visiting the Vocations Office (820 Frank St.) on Tuesdays or Thursdays. For info, contact Fr. John Perdue at 705-874-1871 or vocations@peterboroughdiocese.org.

### Kitchen Convener

Thanks to the efforts of the Kitchen Convener, who arranges for volunteers to offer the snacks we enjoy each month, Coffee Sunday is always enjoyed by many. For years now, Kris has done a wonderful job of ensuring that Coffee Sunday is great. St. Thomas More is now in need of a new Kitchen Convener to ensure that Coffee Sunday continues to run so smoothly by recruiting volunteers each month to offer snacks for all to enjoy. Anyone interested should contact Bev at bevy@nexicom.net or 705-944-5141.

# Lift Jesus Higher Rally 2018

The Lift Jesus Higher Rally is an annual event for Youth and Adults that focuses on evangelizing through uplifting music, testimonials, confessions, reflections, Divine Mercy celebration and a Eucharistic Procession. Led by leading EWTN television hosts, musicians, theologians, authors and clergy, The 26<sup>th</sup> annual Lift Jesus Higher Rally will be held on March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018. Learn more or sign up at, liftjesus-higher-rally.ca

# Children's Liturgy

Shannon Brady has graciously offered to create and run a Children's Liturgy at St. Thomas More church at the 9am Mass. This is a great way to enable our parish to meet the needs of both parents and children. Shannon hopes to begin early in the New Year, but needs help. Any willing to help out on an occasional basis, especially parents of children who might enjoy such an offering, are asked to contact Shannon at shannon.brady@dcdsb.ca or 905-441-3259.

#### Job Posting for Part-time Youth Ministry Coordinator

St. Mary's in Lindsay

The parish of St. Mary's (Lindsay) has an opening for a Part-time 15hrs/wk Youth Ministry Coordinator.

- Responsible for developing a parish based pastoral ministry with youth. Reaches out to all youth/young adults in the community, develops close communication with and mutual support from families of youth and collaborates with other community and parish youth organizations.
- The ideal candidate will be an active member of a Roman Catholic parish faith community along with Youth Ministry experience in a Catholic parish. Must have reliable transportation since the job would require driving from one location to the other especially for the school visits.

Please contact the St. Mary's Lindsay office either by phone 705 324-4828 or email for a complete job description prior to applying for this position. While we thank qualified candidates who apply, only those chosen for an interview will be contacted. Qualified and interested candidates should e-mail resume to office@stmaryslindsay.ca no later than January 24<sup>th</sup> 2018.

#### Pre-lit Tree Needed

Frances Gazley is looking for an outdoor/indoor pre-lit bare artificial tree like the ones often see at Christmas time. The tree would be used as part of a display for our upcoming Share Lent 2018 Development and Peace Campaign. The tree will be taken care of and will be returned by Palm Sunday. Can you help? Contact Frances at 705-932-1723 or gazleyf@gmail.com. Thank you for your assistance!

#### **Operation: Supporting my Parish**

Those who subscribe to the 'Living with Christ' Mass companion have an opportunity to support St. Thomas More Parish through their subscription. When renewing or starting a new subscription, please use one of the forms found at the entrance of the church. Submit the form and payment to Fr. Craig by Palm Sunday. Each new or renewed subscription earns money for our parish.

#### Invitation to Mass for Consecrated Life - Feb. 2, 2018

You are invited to the Cathedral of St. Peter-in-Chains for a Mass for Consecrated Life on Friday, Feb 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018, at 7pm. A reception will follow in the Knights of Columbus Hall across the street.

#### Personal Retreat Days at Villa St. Joseph

Villa St. Joseph in Cobourg offers a quiet and relaxing environment that supports prayer and a deepening awareness of God's presence. The prayerful stillness and beauty of nature offers a peaceful and life giving setting. The time and space is yours and spiritual direction is available. Learn more about upcoming retreats at, villastjoseph.ca.

#### **Cleaners Needed**

Thanks to our dedicated cleaners, many comment on how clean and inviting our church is. However, our team of cleaners is in need of more members to offer a couple of hours every two months to help keep our beautiful church and hall clean. Anyone interested in serving our parish through this ministry are asked to contact Mary at melnychuk01@sympatico.ca or 705-277-2420.

#### **Ecumenical Service**

The annual celebration for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is this upcoming Sunday, January 21<sup>st</sup> at St. Alphonsus in Peterborough. Let us join other Christian churches in our area as we remember the 2018 theme, "Your Right Hand, O Lord, Glorious in Power" (Exodus 15:6). You are invited to celebrate with us on Sunday, January 21st at 4PM here at St. Alphonsus Liguori Church.

#### Fiat Retreat for young women

A semi-silent weekend of prayer (and fun). *When:* January 26 (evening)- 28 (after lunch time) 2018 *Where:* Vari Residence Sacred Heart College, Peterborough *Who:* Catholic women ages 18-35 *Cost:* \$30

Questions: Mother Parousia at m.parousia@servidoras.org To sign up: visit ptbovocations.ca/Fiat

What is it about? This "semi" silent retreat will combine quiet prayer time and spiritual learning with fun; together with other Catholic young women seeking to take their faith seriously.

What will we do? Introduction to the basics of Ignatian Spirituality. Learn Methods of Prayer. Quiet time for reflection. Daily Mass. Opportunities for confession and individual spiritual guidance. Plus time for fun and games! What does "Fiat" mean? "Fiat mihi voluntas tua—Let it be done to me according to your word," was the response Mary gave when approached by the angel Gabriel. The goal of this retreat is to learn to respond to God's prompting in our daily lives with the docility of Our Lady.

#### Hondouras Brigade

The Brigade from St. Alphonsus Parish going to Honduras this March break would like to take items for the local residents as well as for an orphanage. There will be a box in the entrance of the church to collect items until the end of January. They are in great need of: -pencil crayons, pencils, pencil sharpeners, erasers -craft scissors, glue sticks -150 large ziplock bags (to pack food for food bags) -skipping ropes/recess toys -vitamins (mainly children but adult too)first aid kits -light windbreaker style jackets -ball caps, sunglasses -legos -board games that don't require a lot of english -spanish children's books for schools english/spanish -dictionaries -craft supplies -deodorants running shoes (smaller sizes and in good shape) -black shoes (smaller sizes and in good shape) -reusable grocery bags (to pack food bags) -baby/children/teen clothes -in good shape and for warmer climate