



O that today  
you would listen to his voice!  
Do not harden your hearts...

*Psalm 95:7-8*



**St. Thomas More Parish & St. Bernadette Mission**

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**28<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2018**

**4<sup>th</sup> Week of Ordinary Time  
Coming up...**

**Tuesday, January 30<sup>th</sup>**

9:00am – Mass at Rectory Chapel

**Thursday, February 1<sup>st</sup>**

9:00am – Mass at Rectory Chapel

**Saturday, February 3<sup>d</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, February 4<sup>th</sup>**

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

(For Ed Moran)

11:30am – Mass at St. Bernadette Mission

**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 7<sup>th</sup>, 2018: \$ 1028.30

Average for 39 received envelopes: \$23.46

December eGive: \$809 (Weekly avg: \$20.15 for 8)

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](http://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.

**~ Announcements and Prayers before Mass ~**

Before the 9am Mass begins, all are welcome to use the form at the entrance of the church to include names of the sick or departed. After speaking with the priest, announcements may also be included in the same manner.

**~ Mens' and Womens' Group ~**

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.

### **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](http://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](mailto:vocations@peterboroughdiocese.org).

### **Invitation to Mass for Consecrated Life - Feb 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018**

In 1997, Saint Pope John Paul II instituted an annual day of prayer for women and men in consecrated life on Feb 2<sup>nd</sup>, the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. The Mass for the World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life in our Diocese will be celebrated by our bishop at the Cathedral of St. Peter-in-Chains on Feb 2, 2018 at 7pm, followed by a reception in the Knights of Columbus Bishop Doyle Hall. Please pray for all those who have made commitments in the consecrated life, come to the celebration at the Cathedral and be sure to thank them on their special day. May they continue to be inspired by Jesus Christ and respond generously to God's gift of their vocation.

### **Help Needed: 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](mailto: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, [lift-jesus-higher-rally.ca](http://lift-jesus-higher-rally.ca)

### **Help Needed: Church Cleaners**

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](mailto:melnychuk01@sympatico.ca) or 705-277-2420.

### **Help Needed: 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](mailto:shannon.brady@dcdsb.ca) or 905-441-3259.

### **Healing Masses on the World Day of the Sick**

Feb 11<sup>th</sup> is the World Day of the sick. The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick will be offered at the Sunday and Saturday evening Masses on Feb 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>. Catholics facing illness, be it physical, mental, emotional, spiritual or otherwise, that threatens life are encouraged to come and meet Jesus, the great healer and physician, through this Sacrament.

### **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](mailto:gazleyf@gmail.com).

### **Catholic Divorce?**

The process of receiving an annulment in the Catholic Church can sometimes be difficult to understand. Come out to St. Alphonsus Liguori Parish Hall on Fri, Feb 9<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. Fr. Raymond Rick, Diocesan Priest and Canon lawyer, is coming to speak and help all who come out to understand the process plus clear the air about some misconceptions regarding the annulment process. All are invited to a Coffee House style evening with snacks and drinks. No charge.

### **Call for Conscience Campaign**

The Call for Conscience 2018 Campaign is underway. Bishop Miehm and bishops across Ontario are asking for an email address and/or postal code from every Catholic family in their community. This information will be used to communicate periodically on issues of particular importance for the Catholic community.

The first campaign of 2018 is the Call for Conscience, inviting our elected Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs) and those seeking office this June to increase funding/access to palliative care, to protect health care workers wishing to abstain from any involvement in euthanasia/assisted suicide and to protect faith based facilities from participation in euthanasia/assisted suicide.

Please provide your contact information at the back of the church on the weekends of February 4 and 11, 2018. Thank you for living our faith!