



St. Thomas More Parish & St. Bernadette Mission

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11<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2018

# 6th Week of Ordinary Time Coming up...

# Tuesday, February 13th

9:00am - Mass at Rectory Chapel

## Wednesday, February 14th

- 9:00am Mass at St. Thomas More church with imposition of ashes
- 4:00pm Mass at St. Thomas More church with imposition of ashes
- 6:30pm Mass at St. Bernadette mission with imposition of ashes

# Thursday, February 15th

9:00am - Mass at Rectory Chapel

## Saturday, February 17th

- 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 18th

9:00am – Mass at St. Thomas More church (For the intentions of the Mens' and Womens' Group) 11:30am – Mass at St. Bernadette Mission

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

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 28th, 2018: \$ 1006

Average for 39 received envelopes: \$23.08 January eGive: \$814 (Weekly avg: \$20.42 for 9)

# 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.

#### ~ 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.

## **Peterborough Pregnancy Support Services**

'All About Love Gala'

Saturday April 14<sup>th</sup> 2018, 6pm @ The Venue. Enjoy a delicious meal, entertainment by *The Second Generation Leahy Family* and silent auction. Tickets \$125 each includes \$50 tax receipt. To reserve your ticket visit: 2018-all-about-love.eventbrite.ca or call (705) 742-4015

#### A Moment in Lent - by Dr. Donald Graham

Venturing in faith with John Henry Cardinal Newman Spend an evening savouring the wisdom of a superb guide to the spiritual life. Energize your Lent with John Henry Cardinal Newman and let his life lessons inform yours! Feb 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7pm at St. Alphonsus Parish Hall, 810 Frank St., Peterborough.

#### 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<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Thank you for living our faith!

#### Lift Jesus Higher Rally 2018

The annual Lift Jesus Higher Rally for Youth and Adults 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 26th annual Lift Jesus Higher Rally will be held on March 3rd, 2018. Learn more or sign up at lift-jesushigher-rally.ca

## Heroic Manhood/True Femininity

Join us Thurs, Feb 15<sup>th</sup>, 7:30pm at St. Alphonsus Church, for an evening of real talk where we'll break down God's plan for us as men spurred on to heroism and women called to authentic femininity. Enjoy an inspirational presentation, connection to community, and time for energetic prayer that will build you up in your true identity. Not to be missed! Open for anyone 13+.

## 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.

#### 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 or 705-944-5141.

#### **Development & Peace Corner**

Lent begins on Wednesday with the marking of ashes. Lent is a special time when we stop and think about how we can play our part in God's hope for a world that is fair, just and peaceful. We think about our relationship with God, and how serving others draws us closer to God. We also think about the changes we can make in our lives, to be God's love and mercy in our world, ensuring all people have a just future.

Thanks to annual donations during Share Lent, Development and Peace can support 170 partners and 202 projects in 36 countries around the world! There are many ways to be part of Share Lent. You could use the Solidarity Calendar with your family, join your Development & Peace Committee or join us at St. Alphonsus Parish Hall on March 17th at 7:00 pm for a presentation by one of our partners, Felix Morka, Executive Director of SERAC, Lagos, Nigeria. To find out more about Share Lent, please contact Francisca Gazley at gazleyf@gmail.com. The Solidarity Collection will be held on Mar 16th & 17th.

#### Beginning March 4th - Symbolon

The Creed serves as a means to recognize Christians and provides unity among all Christians. On Sunday evenings in the parish hall beginning on March 4th, all are invited to journey through the Catholic Faith with the Creed as our guide. We are indeed on a journey, in the first session we will see how faith, our response to God's invitation, 'fuels' our journey. How is faith more than just belief? What are some key elements to prayer? Symbolon is a place to learn more about our faith and to discuss how it is lived out in each person's unique life. See all the details at: symbolon.stthomasmillbrook.ca.

## A Pilgrimage to the Holy Land - Nov 11-20, 2018.

Have you ever dreamt of being alive 2,000 years ago, walking beside with Jesus. To have actually witnessed the miracles or heard the parables first hand. If that is the case, Faith Journey is offering an excursion of a lifetime. Visit Nazareth, Cana, the River Jordan, Capernaum, the Mount of Beatitudes, Bethsaida, Mount Tabor, Tabgha, Jericho, the Valley of death, Jerusalem, Bethlehem and many more of these sacred spaces. The price is \$2695 plus \$695 for airport tax and fuel surcharge. If you are interested in participating in this 10 day faith experience please contact the spiritual leader for the pilgrimage Fr. Bill Moloney at 705-742-5466.

#### Parish Contact Update and Permission

Good communication within our parish requires up-to-date contact information of our valued parishioners. Please ensure that your contact information is up-to-date by filling in the clipboard at the entrance of the church or by visiting update.stthomasmillbrook.ca (can be done from your phone right now!). There, you will also have the option of granting permission for representatives of our parish to contact you in the event of the death of one of our parishioners.