"Who will separate us from the love of Christ?"





St. Thomas More Parish & St. Bernadette Mission

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25TH FEBRUARY 2018

2nd Week of Lent Coming up...

Tuesday, February 27th

9:00am - Mass at Rectory Chapel

Thursday, March 1st

9:00am - Mass at Rectory Chapel

Saturday, March 3rd

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

2:45pm – Adoration and Confessions with Stations of the Cross

4:00pm – Mass at St. Thomas More church (For the people)

Sunday, March 4th

9:00am – Mass at St. Thomas More church (For Ed Moran)

11:30am - Mass at St. Bernadette Mission

6:30pm - Symbolon discussions at St. Thomas More

Led by Fr. Craig

Faith, our response to God's invitation

Please remember in your prayers...

Those who are sick, especially:

Erica Perk, & 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

February 11th, 2018: \$ 1857.25

Average for 33 received envelopes: \$ 53.64

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.



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-jesus-higher-rally.ca

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.

Development & Peace Corner

Building cultural and religious tolerance in Lebanon
During this second week of Share Lent, we focus on the organization Adyan, a Development and Peace partner that contributes to peace in the Middle East by fostering cultural and religious tolerance. Adyan offers a wide range of programs, including conferences, training sessions, and workshops on peace, reconciliation, and coexistence. In this part of the world wounded by past and present wars, Adyan's work is essential and your support is indispensable to them. "At Adyan, we promote spiritual solidarity, which means integrating the other into my thoughts and prayers. I must integrate the suffering of others and understand it." - Nayla Tabbara, Director of the Institute of Citizenship and Diversity Management at Adyan.

I hope you have marked March 17th at 7pm on your calendar to join us at St. Alphonsus, Peterborough to hear Felix Morka, Executive Director, SERAC, our partner in Nigeria.

Theology of the Body Certificate Series

Presented by Sacred Heart College - By Sr. Helena Burns, fsp Today's culture is all about love, sex, the body, beauty and relationships. So is God. Through JPII's original and dynamic synthesis, we will unpack God's story of love, sex, the body, beauty and relationships. Spring 2018: Mar. 17th, Apr. 7th, 14th, 21st, May 5th & 12th 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Sadleir House. \$150 for Certificate (book included) \$75 for Audit.

World day of Prayer

The 2018 World Day of Prayer service will take place on Fri, March 2nd at St. Thomas Anglican Church at 2pm.

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. 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? How can we find signs of God? 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.

Peterborough Pregnancy Support Services

'All About Love Gala'

Saturday April 14th 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

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.

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 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.

The Office of Tenebrae

The Office of Tenebrae of Holy Thursday (The Office of Darkness) will be anticipated on Tuesday, March 27, 2018 at 7:30 pm as part of this year's schedule of Holy Week services at the Cathedral of St. Peter-in-Chains in Peterborough. The Cathedral Choir and Diocesan Choir will lead the Gregorian Chant and other musical settings under its Music Director, Claudio Engli. We invite everyone to attend this moving service during the most important and significant week of the liturgical year.