



# St. Thomas More Parish & St. Bernadette Mission



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**Bishop:** Most Rev. William McGrattan

**Administrator:** Fr. Craig Cruikshank

**Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

15<sup>th</sup> January 2017



*I delight to do your will, O my God...*

*Psalm 40: 8a*

## Coming up...

### Tuesday, January 17<sup>th</sup>

9:00am – Mass in the Rectory

### Thursday, January 19<sup>th</sup>

9:00am – Mass in the Rectory

*For Christian Unity*

### Saturday, January 21<sup>st</sup>

9:00am – Mass in Church

9:45am – Kids Group

2:45pm – Adoration and Confessions

4:00pm – Mass at St. Thomas More  
(For Dorothy Fenton)

### Sunday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>

9:00am – Mass at St. Thomas More  
(For the Roberts Family)

10:00am – Coffee Sunday

11:30am – Mass at St. Bernadette Mission  
(For the people)

### Please remember in your prayers...

#### *Those who are sick, especially:*

Erica Perk

#### *and those who have died, especially:*

Mary Avison & Anna Mae Eckert

*Contact Fr. Craig to have a name added to this list  
for four weeks.*

### Thank you for your generous offerings

January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017: \$1587

Average for 48 received envelopes: \$28.65

December eGive: \$281 (\$70.25 weekly avg.)

St. Thomas More Parish now offers

### eGive, Electronic Giving

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### ~ Regular Sunday Masses ~

Saturday, 4pm at St. Thomas More, Millbrook

Sunday, 9am at St. Thomas More, Millbrook

& 11:30am at St. Bernadette, Yelverton

(Old United Church, Hwy 7 W, Yelverton)

### ~ Sacrament of Reconciliation ~

45 minutes before each Mass or by appointment.

### ~ Baptisms ~

Parents seeking baptism for their child should see

Father Craig after Mass or visit the website to

download the information form. The Baptismal

Preparation Period is completed at your own pace

and usually takes about three weeks. 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.

### ~ 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.

### ~ Mens' and Womens' Groups ~

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.

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## **Kid's Group**

Jesus was so extraordinary that people who had never met him were ready to leave whatever they were doing to follow him. All children, especially those in kindergarten through grade four, are welcome to our parish hall on January 21<sup>st</sup> after the 9am Mass to make friends and to prepare to meet Jesus by taking a look how Jesus called his first disciples to follow him.

## **Camp Northern Lights Annual Appeal**

Camp Northern Lights provides a wilderness camping experience for children and leadership experience for teens as volunteer counsellors. The annual collection for Camp Northern Lights will take place on the weekend of January 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>. You will find special envelopes for this collection in this bulletin. All cheques should be made payable to 'Camp Northern Lights'. For further information, contact the chairman of the board, Jim Gibson, at 705-742-5578.

## **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity**

January 18<sup>th</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> is the week of prayer for Christian Unity. Please keep this need in your prayers: that we would always work to fulfill the desire of Jesus for all the baptized to be one united community of faith.

*Loving God, in Jesus you gave us the one who died for all. He lived our life and died our death. You accepted his sacrifice and raised him to new life with you. Grant that we, who have died with him, may be made one by the Holy Spirit and live in the abundance of your divine presence now and forever. Amen.*

## **Development & Peace – 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

On February 9, 2016 Development and Peace commissioned the solidarity quilt to prepare us for their 50th anniversary celebrations in October. As the quilt travels across Canada, each diocesan council adds a quilt patch to the suitcase. Peterborough Diocesan Council will be adding their quilt patch at a special Mass being celebrated by Bishop William McGrattan on Saturday, February 11<sup>th</sup>, at 11:00 am, at the Cathedral of St. Peter-in-Chains, in Peterborough (refreshments to follow at Bishop Doyle Hall). At the end of the pilgrimage, the patches will be sewn together, producing two large quilts to be used during activities organized on a national scale.  
R.S.V.P. [kstaunton@cogeco.ca](mailto:kstaunton@cogeco.ca) or 705 745 0034.

## **Welcoming the Baptized**

Through baptism, the baptized truly become children of God. As a parish, we can assist not only by giving good instruction on what baptism is but also by helping the baptized and their families to experience the love and gifts of God.

Father Craig is looking for several families or individuals to become 'Parish Ambassadors to the Baptized'. The priest will still provide all instruction and preparation for baptism, but these ambassadors would journey with new families for a period of time, helping to welcome them into our parish and community.

There are no special talents required to assist in this ministry. Any baptized person open to sharing the joys they receive from their faith and parish community are invited to assist in this ministry. If interested, please speak with Father Craig after Mass or contact him by phone or email before the end of January.

## **Church Cleaning Help**

Many comment on how clean our church always is; a clean church lets others know how important our worship space is to us. Our church is so clean thanks to some dedicated and generous individuals. But, more help is needed. If you would be willing and able to offer 90 minutes once every two months to join one of the cleaning teams, please contact Bernie Durand at [bdurand@nexicom.net](mailto:bdurand@nexicom.net) or 705-932-1936.

### **Prayer for Bishops**

*Most Glorious God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, we pray for our Bishops.*

*You have appointed Jesus, Your only-begotten Son to be the eternal High Priest for the glory of Thy Majesty and the salvation of humankind; grant Your blessings upon Bishop McGrattan. Bless him for his faithful fulfillment of his ministry to the Diocese of Peterborough, and give us a new bishop who will lead us by his holiness of life and wisdom. Direct him to guide our diocesan family so that we may grow in your love.*

*O Mary, Virgin Mother of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
Hold all bishops close to your Immaculate Heart! Amen.*