



THIS WEEK AT ST.THERESE

Psalter II

MONDAY December 7th

1:30 pm Mass – Msgr. Leo Cleary School Mass

6:00 pm– Mass–† Maria De Rose

Req. by Elena Russo

6:00 pm – No Youth Meeting

6:30pm- CWC Pot Luck – All Ladies of the Parish Welcome

TUESDAY December 8th

9:30 am – 6:30 pm ADORATION (Chapel)

5:00 pm – Legion of Mary

7:00 pm- Mass– † Saveria Scanga

Req. by her Family

WEDNESDAY 9th

9:30 am – Holy Trinity School Mass at school

9:30 am Good Shepherd Mass @ Church

10:00 am – Silver Needles

10:00 am- 6:00pm- Adoration (Chapel)

7:00 pm – Mass- † Intentions of Concepcion Escuyes

Req. by Father Ken Rae

7:30 pm Bible Study

THURSDAY 10th

7:00 pm – Mass- † George Barich

Req. by Helen and Family

7:30 pm - RCIA

FRIDAY 11th

9:30 am – Mass-† Anna De Rose

Req. by Elena Russo

10:00 am – 6:30 pm ADORATION (Church)

7:00 pm– Mass - The Intentions of Noel Rodrigues

Req. by His Family

7:30-8:30pm - Choir Practice

SATURDAY 12th

8:30 am – Mass- in Church

9:30 am – 10:30 am- **First Reconciliation**

& Parish Reconciliation

4:30 pm – Mass – The Intentions of the Owens Family

Req. by Eileen Owens

LIGHT UP FOR CHRIST FOLLOWING MASS

Blessing of Stable, Hot Chocolate, Cookies, Caroling

SUNDAY December 13th

Psalter III

Third Week of Advent

GIVING TREE ITEMS TO BE RETURNED

Light Up for Christ after Masses

9:00 am –Mass-† Frank Young

Req. by Paul and Bernadette Spicer

11:00 am -Mass- The People of Our Parish

Baptism During Mass

1:30 pm – choir Practice

7:00 pm Mass- † Giovanni Corvinelli

Req. by Teresa Costanzo

PRAY FOR US!

Frank Siciliano, Fred Gimblett, Vince Roti, Antonietta Celeberti, Carol Ward, Gail Gerrow, Lina Vervoort, Gloria Barbosa, Serge Corbin, Annelies Bromley, Richard Barnoski, Edward Kingsbury, Mary Baylis, Noreen Solomon, Matthew Boardman, Evelyn Gowans, Willy VanBoxtel

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

First Reading: Zeph. 3. 14-18a

Second Reading: Phil. 4.4-7

Gospel : Luke 3.10-18



VOCATION VIEWS

Who, today, is willing to make ready the way of the Lord, to clear Him a straight path? Good, I prayed you would.

GOSPEL SUMMARY

Luke was very thorough in placing the beginning of John the Baptist's ministry within a historical context. He set John's ministry in time by telling who the leaders were in the region. John's role was to prepare the way for Jesus and to proclaim a theme of repentance for those who would follow Jesus. Like a Roman corps of engineers filling in gullies and leveling mountains to make roads, John's job was to make the pathway smooth for those coming to Jesus.

STEWARDSHIP

Thank you for putting your name on the front of your donation envelope each week.

LAST WEEKEND

Offertory \$ 5,126.16

CWC UPDATE

2010 Membership of \$5.00 is due. Christmas Potluck on Monday, December 7th, Mass @ 6 pm. (Optional: bring an unwrapped baby or Mom gift, for Rose of Durham basket). All ladies of the parish are welcome.

NEEDS FOR OUR FOOD BANK

We are in need of coffee, tea, juice, cold cereal, hot cereal, rolled oats, white sugar, brown sugar, flour, oil. Potatoes, green beans, carrots, peas, salmon, ham, chicken, turkey, canned milk. Peanut butter, jam, pancake mix, cake mix, muffin mix, rice, cookies, juice boxes, ketchup, chili, stews, soap, shampoo, deodorant, toilet paper, Kleenex, laundry detergent, dish soap.



CONSULTATIVE MEETING ABOUT 1862 BLOOR STREET

With the advice of the Chancery (Bishop's) office, I would like to

call a consultative meeting regarding the former St. Anthony's Church's property at 1862 Bloor Street. The meeting will be held on January 4, 2010 at 7:30 pm in the hall. This is open to all parishioners. The purpose is simply to address the concerns of the parishioners on this matter and be submitted to the Chancery for further consideration. See you then! **Father Vic**

POINSETTIAS

Once again this year, we are asking anyone who would like to donate a red poinsettia for our Christmas season to please bring them to the office by December 21st. Thank you.

DAY OF PRAYER AND RECOLLECTION FOR GIRLS

The Sisters of Leuca will be holding a day of prayer and recollection for girls on Saturday December 12, 2009 from 10am-3pm in Markham. Please call the Sisters at 905- 436-2308 for more information.

INTERNATIONAL PLANNED PARENTHOOD (IPPF)

Our Canadian Government is funding the International Planned Parenthood (IPPF). IPPF is the world's largest abortion provider and it promotes international abortion "rights" as one of their central focuses. For us Christians, our focus is to promote life and hence stop the barbaric practice of abortion. You may want to contact your MP with letters and phone calls. Make it clear that you request the conservative government to stop funding IPPF. Honourable Bev Oda, our MP, is the Minister of International Cooperation and is responsible for the department that controls the funding, the Canadian International Development Agency. Give her office a call at 905-697-1699, the sooner the better. What are you waiting for? **Father Vic**

NEW YEAR'S EVE ADORATION 9PM-MIDNIGHT



There will be an opportunity for those who wish to come to welcome in the New Year by attending Adoration here at the Church anytime between 9:00pm and Midnight on New Year's Eve. We encourage all those who are presently Adorers at our weekly Adoration and those in ministries such as Eucharistic Ministers, to come and be part of this special time. All are welcome.

2010 ENVELOPES

The boxed envelopes for 2010 are now available in the Church hall. We ask that you kindly pick yours up following mass this weekend. Some families who have envelope numbers in the 700's have been reassigned a new number for next year. If you have any questions, please call Bernadette at 905-436-2126. We remind you to kindly continue to print your name and indicate the amount of your donation on the front of your envelope each week. This helps the counters and the parish secretaries to keep donations accurate. Thank you for your help and your generosity. If you do not have a box for this year and need new envelopes for the New Year, they will be available the first week of January.

ADVENT REFLECTION

Who is God for you? Take some time during Advent to chart how your knowledge of God has grown. List the people, the books, the events that shape your understanding of the nature of God.

QUOTATION: "God has love us first and He continues to do, so we too, then can respond with love."

YOUTH GROUP ON MONDAY NIGHTS

We have a Youth Group here at the parish every Monday night from 5:45 pm-7:30pm for those students in grades 6,7,8. If you are interested in having some fun, come and join us. You can call John Vandersanden for more information at 905-697-3654.



GIVING TREE



Our Christmas Giving Tree is now up. If you would like to help a family in need, please take a tag and return the tag, attached to your unwrapped gift by next Sunday December 13th. Thank you for your generosity.

LIGHT UP FOR CHRIST NEXT WEEKEND

We are very fortunate this year to once again, have our Live Nativity Scene behind the Church at the stable. We will light up our Christmas lights, bless the stable, sing carols and have hot chocolate after the 4: 30 pm Mass next Saturday December 12th. Mother Teresa School Choir will be our guest choir at the 4:30 pm Mass. All are invited to the stable after all the masses on December 12/13th. Hot chocolate and cookies will be served.



ADVENT CANDLE FAMILIES- NEXT WEEKEND

4:30 pm Mass – Leslie Hurley and Family
9:00 am Mass - Colleen Lloyd and Family
11:00 am Mass – Jennifer McPhee and Family
7:00 pm Mass – Denise Walker and Family



CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

Christmas Eve 4:00 pm 7:00 pm, 10:00pm and Midnight
When you are planning which Mass you are attending, please keep in mind that the early masses are **full to capacity on Christmas Eve.**

Christmas Day – 9:00 am and 11:00 am

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

If someone can give an hour a week to help clean outside the office doors, please contact Frances Lenihan at 905-723-4254

SCREENING IN FAITH

My Dear People of God,
The Ontario Catholic Conference of Catholic Bishops and our Bishop Nicola de Angelis, have mandated a volunteer management programme called "Screening in Faith", in all parishes of the Diocese. All volunteers, both those presently serving and those seeking to do so, are to be screened. The goal is: the protection and safety of our vulnerable people, our volunteers and our Church. This is the reason, our actions – performing our ministry as volunteers and as a church are based upon. Our parish has set up a screening committee of three: Scott Jones, James Wilson and Amany Bastien. The members will briefly address the congregation after all masses next weekend. Thank you very much for your kind cooperation. **Fr. Vic.**

THANK YOU

George Downey, Lee McDonald, Sue Segers, Frank Siciliano, Roy Wannamaker, Al McDonald, our Bulletin folding committee, our counters, our cleaners, Legion of Mary our Banner Group, Glen Milson and the Knights and CWC for all the behind the scenes work you do around the parish. It does not go unnoticed. God bless you all. **Fr. Vic**



CHRISTMAS IN THE CITY SEMI-FORMAL

YAC & the Catholic Council of Trent are pleased to present the "Christmas in the City Semi-Formal" which will be held on Saturday, December 12th at the Sacred Heart Church Hall in Peterborough. Social begins at 6:30pm, dinner at 7:00pm and dancing from 8:30-midnight! Tickets are \$15 each or \$20 per couple. For tickets or more information email yac@veyopeterboro.org or call VEYO at (705) 749-0330.

This week, let us pray for St. John the Baptist Parish in Peterborough.

