

SCRIPTURES FOR NEXT SUNDAY 03 JANUARY 2016

(Liturgical Year C)

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**First Reading: Isaiah 60.1 – 6***The glory of the Lord has risen upon you.***Second Reading: Ephesians 3.2 – 3, 5 – 6***Now the mystery has been revealed: now the Gentiles have become fellow heirs of the promise.***Gospel: Matthew 2.1 – 12***We have come from the East to pay homage to the king.*

This Week

Saturday, December 26 No Mass today**Sunday, December 27 Feast of the Holy Family**

9:00 a.m. Joan Ferguson req. by Randy & Jennifer Golanowski

11:00 a.m. Mass for a Special Intention req. John Watters

11:00 a.m. Brikis Baptism

Monday, December 28

9:00 a.m. Mass for the People of the Parish

8:00 p.m. AA meeting – Westboro Step

Tuesday December 29

9:00 a.m. Intentions of M. Pollock req. by Jack & Kay Kinsella

6:00 p.m. Children's Christmas Choir Practice

Wednesday December 30 Mass at St Basil's

9:00 a.m. Mass for Noah Karacson req. by Phil & Lupcia Karacson his Grandparents

7:15 p.m. Choir

Thursday, December 31

5:00 p.m. Brennan, Des Roches & Walsh Families

5:00 p.m. Ron Halstead req. by Vi & Family

Friday, January 01 New Year's Day

11:00 a.m. Mass for a special intention

8:00 p.m. AA meeting – By the Book

Saturday, January 02 Epiphany of the Lord

5:00 p.m. Mass for a special intention

Sunday, January 03 Epiphany of the Lord

9:00 a.m. Mass for the People of the Parish

11:00 a.m. Mass for a special intention

TODAY'S QUOTE

"The family is important, and it is necessary for the survival of humanity. Without the family, the cultural survival of the human race would be at risk. The family, whether we like it or not, is the foundation." ..."

Pope Francis - Interview Radio Catedral 27 July 2013

Parish News

OFFICE CLOSURE

Please note the parish office will be closed at noon on **Thursday December 24th to 9 a.m. Monday January 4th.**

**NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE**

Masses for New Years are as follows:

New Year's Eve 5 p.m.

7th Day of the Nativity of the Lord

New Year's Day 11 a.m.

Feast - Mary the Holy Mother of God**YEAR END DONATIONS**

In past years there has been some confusion around the year end donations and which year's tax receipt they will show on. Please note that this year any donations received in the office before **Monday December 27th** will show on the tax receipt for 2015. Any donations received on or after Monday December 27th will show on the tax receipt for 2016.

UPDATE IMAGINE ST. BASIL'S... DESIGN TEAM

We have been asked about the time commitment for Design Team members. Please consult the "Design Team Q & A" leaflet in today's bulletin for an explanation. With Christmas only a week away, we have decided to move the date for creating the Imagine St. Basil's ... Design Team to January. Have you any more questions? We are only an email away! Contact us at: imaginestbasils@gmail.com. The direction St. Basil's takes over the next few years is in your hands.

CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES

Contribution Envelopes for 2016 are available in the Narthex. Please pick up your envelopes. If you do not have and would like Contribution Envelopes for 2016 (tax receipts are issued for contributions made using envelopes) please contact the Parish Office 613-729-5149 ext 200.

WEEKDAY MASS & INCLEMENT WEATHER

During the winter when the weather is bad please call the parish office 613-729-5149 before leaving for weekday Mass. If the weather is bad there may be no Mass.

WELCOME IN THE NEW YEAR SUNDAY BRUNCH

The Knights of Columbus will be hosting their annual **"Welcome in the New Year"** Sunday Brunch after both Masses on **Sunday, January 10th** in our parish Hall. What better way to celebrate the New Year as a community and welcome new parishioners to St. Basil's!



CWL

The next meeting of St. Basil's CWL will take place on **Saturday, 9 Jan 2016 at 11:00 a.m.** in the Conference room (under the sacristy). All members are encouraged to attend.

FIRST COMMUNION

Here are the important dates for those who wish to prepare for First Communion at St Basil's. Welcoming Mass for the children on **Sunday January 10th** at 9 a.m. followed by a short Parents meeting in the Narthex. You are then invited to attend the Knights of Columbus Welcome Back Brunch in the Church Hall. There will be 4 preparation sessions in the Church Hall: **Feb. 7th, Feb. 21st, Mar. 6th, and Mar. 20th.** The children are to attend Children's Liturgy at the 9 am Mass followed by a half hour preparation session in the Church Hall (10 – 10:30 a.m.) on these dates. First Reconciliation will in the evening on Tuesday March 8th. First Communion will be at the 9 a.m. Mass on Sunday April 3rd. The two workbooks can be purchased for a total of \$25.00. If your child does not attend St Daniel's please contact the Parish Office to arrange for receipt and payment for these books. Please contact Maria Amadio maria.amadio@ocsb.ca to have your child registered for this program.

From the Diocese**PRAYERS FOR VOCATIONS**

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY ~ DECEMBER 27TH ~ *That Catholic mothers and fathers will help their children grow, become strong in their faith and be filled with the wisdom of God by fostering openness to vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life.*

ANNUAL HOMELANDS MASS

The annual Homelands Mass at Notre Dame Cathedral will take place on Sunday, January 24, 2016 at 2:30 p.m.

The Year of Mercy, the pope stressed, is a gift of grace that allows Christians to experience the joy of encountering the

transforming power of grace and rediscovering God's infinite mercy toward sinners. "How much wrong we do to God and his grace when we speak of sins being punished by his judgment before we speak of their being forgiven by his mercy," he said.

"We have to put mercy before judgment, and in any event God's judgment will always be in the light of his mercy. In passing through the Holy Door, then, may we feel that we ourselves are part of this mystery of love."

A Thought**From the Community****WOMAN ON A MISSION – A SALT + LIGHT TV DOCUMENTARY**

Follow S+L producer, Cheridan Sanders as she joins over 800 women from across Canada for the annual national convention of the Catholic Women's League. Experience for yourself, how 80,000 women are making a world of difference at home and abroad. Aired on Salt + Light TV: Dec. 25, 26, 29, 30, 31, Jan. 2 & 3. Check your local TV listings for show times in your area. Also available online at (www.cwl.ca).

CARE FOR CREATION - A PRAYER FOR OUR TIMES

"Gracious God, Creator of all, we raise our hearts in grateful praise for all the beauty that surrounds us. May we learn to accept all as a sacred gift and do what we can to repair the damage we have caused through our consumerism, greed and carelessness. Grant us an ecological conversion so that we can leave our next generation with a future full of hope where there is enough for all. Amen." (from Citizens for Public Justice: www.cpj.ca).

WORLD YOUTH DAY 2016

With the Archdiocese of Ottawa (young adults age 18-35) to Krakow, Poland, **July 19 – August 2.** Approximate cost: \$3400. Limited spots available. Info: Ted (613-738-5025 x231); (thurley@archottawa.ca).

SAINT PAUL UNIVERSITY - FACULTY OF THEOLOGY - WINTER 2016

Evening Courses: THO2194 Introduction to Biblical Greek, Part 2 (Andrea Spatafora); THO525 Histoire de l'Église contemporaine (Serge Cazalais); THO3562 Révélation chrétienne et foi (François Poitras). Online Courses: THO1307W Understanding the Bible (Pierre LaViolette); THO1707W Comprendre la Bible (Christian Dionne); THO2316W Religion, Culture and Diversity (Frank Emanuel); THO2594W Introduction au grec biblique – partie II (Christian Dionne); THO2715W Éthique et personne humaine (Marie-Rose Tannous); THO3163W The Christian God (Amy Pauley); THO3561W Introduction au Nouveau Testament : les Évangiles synoptiques (Christian Dionne); THO3569W La vie liturgique de l'Église (Remi Lépage). Info: (613 236-1393 ext.2235); (fhoule@ustpaul.ca); (www.USTPAUL.ca).

NET CANADA LOOKING FOR FLEET MECHANIC

NET Ministries of Canada has a fleet of 10 SUV/minivans and 5 trailers which do long-haul transport for 55 missionaries. NET is requesting proposals for a reliable, full-service mechanic in Orleans area to maintain fleet. Major tune-ups occur in June/July and December plus occasional 24-hour turnaround jobs. Info: (robin@netcanada.ca).

WORKSHOP ON EUTHANASIA AND ASSISTED SUICIDE

Euthanasia is about to be legalized in Canada. What can you do? The Catholic Organization for Life and Family (COLF) and the Ottawa Archdiocese will host a workshop for anyone seeking info and especially those who would like to host this workshop at their parish, Wed., Jan. 27, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. at the Diocesan Centre, 1247 Kilborn Place. Meet pro-life physician, Dr. Rene Leiva and see how this workshop can be offered at your parish. See COLF's brochure and workshop guide. Info: Peter Murphy, COLF (613-241-9461, ext. 162).



Happy New Year