

SCRIPTURES FOR SUNDAY 05 FEBRUARY 2017

5TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME A

First Reading: Isaiah 58.6 – 10*Your light shall break forth like the dawn.***Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 2.1 – 5***I proclaimed to you the mystery of Jesus Christ, and him crucified.***Gospel: Matthew 5.13 – 16***You are the light of the world.*

This Week

Saturday, January 28 4th Sunday of Ordinary Time (A)

4:15 – 4:45 p.m. Private Reconciliations

5:00 p.m. Mass for the People of the Parish

Sunday, January 29 4th Sunday of Ordinary Time (A)

9:00 a.m. First Communion Welcome Mass

11:00 a.m. Mass

Monday, January 30

9:00 a.m. Mass

6:00 p.m. OCSB Children's Choir

8:00 p.m. AA – Westboro Step

Tuesday January 31 Feast of St John Bosco

10:30 a.m. Mass at Medex

7:00 p.m. Bytown Voices

Wednesday February 01

9:00 a.m. Mass

1:00 p.m. Retirees

7:15 p.m. Choir

Thursday, February 02 Feast of the Presentation

9:00 a.m. Mass

7:00 p.m. Youth Group/Confirmation

Friday, February 03

9:00 a.m. Mass

8:00 p.m. AA – By the Book

Saturday, February 04 5th Sunday of Ordinary Time (A)

9:00 a.m. Counter Training

5:00 p.m. Mass

Sunday, February 05 5th Sunday of Ordinary Time (A)

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

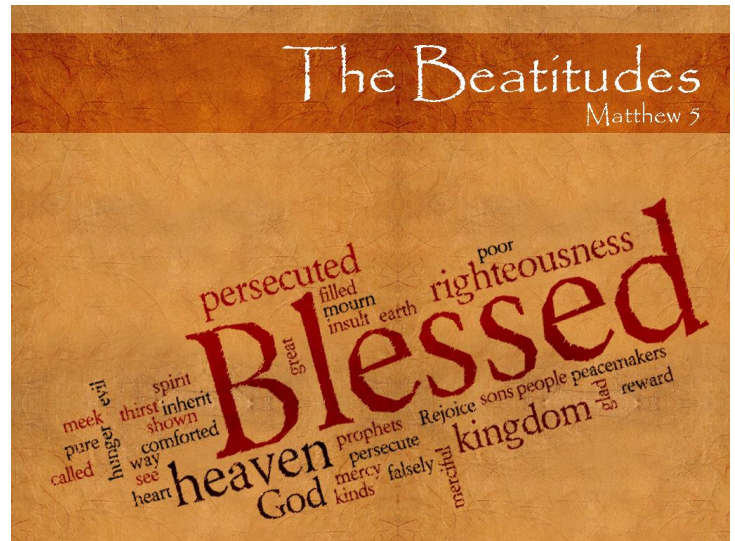
11:00 a.m. Mass

MASS AT MEDEX

The next Mass at Medex Extencicare will be this **Tuesday 31 January** at 10:30 a.m. There will be no Mass at St Basil's that morning, parishioners are invited to worship with the residents at Medex.

RETIREES

All retirees are welcome to join us to play Bridge, Euchre, or other games. We have resumed our fun in the Parish Hall. Join us Wednesdays at 1 p.m. for more fun and laughs! For more information call Joan Lesaux 613-596-8106 or Pat Mulvihill 613-224-0413.



Parish News

YOUTH GROUP

The next Youth Group gathering will be this Thursday beginning at 7 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

CAN YOU HELP?

We are currently searching for a new Trustee Coordinator. Trustees play the very important role of setting up for our weekend Liturgies. Please consider helping out; mentoring will be provided. Contact Karen Zappia at 613-727-5251 if interested.

MISSION & SOCIAL JUSTICE

Acknowledgements and thank you letters have been received from the following organizations for donations sent on behalf of St. Basil's parishioners: Ancoura, O.K. Clean Water, Kairos, Basilian Missions, Development and Peace and Canadian Jesuits International.

YOUR ASSISTANCE IS URGENTLY REQUESTED

We urgently require Parishioners to assist at the *Wednesday and Friday daily Masses*. We need people to set up (20 minutes before Mass begins), lector and clean up after these daily Masses. Training will be provided for these easy tasks. With enough volunteers a rotating schedule can be introduced. Please prayerfully consider assisting in these vital ways. For more information please contact Doreen Taylor 613-592-3251

TODAY'S QUOTE

"... Blessed are they who forgive, who are merciful. Because we are all part of an army of people who have been forgiven! We have all been forgiven. That is why blessed is he who undertakes this path of forgiveness. Blessed are the pure of heart, they who have a simple, pure heart without dirt, a heart that knows how to love with purity. Blessed are peace-makers. But it is so common amongst us to be war-makers or perpetrators of misunderstandings! When I hear something from one person, and I go and say it to someone else in a second, enlarged, edition... the world of gossip. People who gossip, who do not make peace, are enemies of peace. They are not blessed."

Pope Francis – brainyquote.com

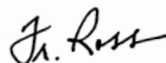
YOU ARE INVITED

We resumed our First Friday Devotions under a new format. We begin with Mass at 9 a.m. Immediately following Mass we have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. All parishioners are invited to join us this **Friday February 3rd** for this very important part of our Catholic Spirituality.

A Note from Fr. Ross

The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops recently issued a press release prepared by an international group of bishops addressing the 50th anniversary of the 1967 Middle East war in which Israel gained possession of parts of Palestinian land. It reads in part: *"For fifty years the West Bank, East Jerusalem and Gaza have languished under occupation, violating the human dignity of both Palestinians and Israelis. This is a scandal to which we must never become accustomed. So many people in the Holy Land have spent their entire lives under occupation, with its polarising social segregation, yet still profess hope and strive for reconciliation. Now, more than ever, they deserve our solidarity. We all have a responsibility to provide assistance for the people of Gaza, who continue to live amid a man-made humanitarian catastrophe. They have now spent a decade under blockade, compounded by a political impasse caused by ill-will on all sides. The Bible tells us: "You will declare this fiftieth year to be sacred and proclaim the liberation of all the country's inhabitants" [Leviticus 25:10]. During this fiftieth year of occupation we must pray for the liberty of everyone in the Holy Land and practically support all those working to build a just peace."* To read the full document go to www.cccb.ca

Enjoy these last few days of January!


From the Diocese**PRAYERS FOR VOCATIONS**

4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ~ JANUARY 29TH ~ *For an increase in vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life and for a deeper gratitude for the priests and religious now serving by proclaiming the kingdom of heaven among us.*

CELEBRATION OF CONSECRATED LIFE

Archbishop Terrence Prendergast, SJ invites all members of religious communities and consecrated persons, all members of the clergy and the faithful of the Archdiocese to the Diocesan Celebration of the World Day for Consecrated Life on **Sat., Feb. 4, 10:00 a.m.** at Resurrection of Our Lord Parish, 1940 Saunderson Dr., Ottawa. Light refreshments to follow in the parish hall. All are welcome. Please RSVP to 613-738-5025, ext. 217. or abrown@ArchOttawa.ca

SOLEMN BLESSING OF NEW NOTRE-DAME COLUMBARIUM

At Notre-Dame Cemetery, 455 Montreal Rd., **Thurs., Feb. 2, 11:00 a.m.** presided by Archbishop Terrence Prendergast, S.J., Archbishop of Ottawa. A luncheon will follow at Notre-Dame-de-Lourdes church hall. R.S.V.P. julie.marcel@hopecemetery.ca.

From the Community**MULTIFAITH HOUSING INITIATIVE**

Multifaith Housing Initiative (supported by St. Basil's) will soon be opening "The Haven", a new housing facility in Barrhaven for 98 families on low-income. Volunteers are needed to connect with residents, painting, carpentry, general maintenance. Please contact Sahada Aलो 613 686 1825 mhi.sahada.alolo@gmail.com

ULTIMATE DATE NIGHT

Sanctifying Families presents a Couples' Dinner on **Sat., Feb. 11** at Senhor Santo Cristo Parish, 1100 Kenaston, Gloucester. Doors open 5:30 p.m. for 6:30 p.m. dinner catered by BBQ master Danny Gernon (Danger's Smokehouse). Guest speaker: Bishop Christian Riesbeck CC. Tickets: \$35/couple. Advance registration required: www.sanctifyingfamilies.ca. Info: Theresa or Cheryl sanctifyingfamilies@gmail.com; 613-821-9932.

AN EVENING WITH TZEITEL

St John the Apostle Parish (2340 Baseline Rd.) is proud to announce a concert evening with singer Tzeitel Abrego. Tzeitel has just completed her vocal studies in New York City and debut album and will be performing a selection of classic and contemporary songs for your enjoyment. It will be held in the church on **Thurs., Feb. 9th at 7:00 p.m.** Free Admission (donations will be applied to the roofing fund). Check out her music at www.tzeitelabrego.com

RENAISSANCE SACRED MUSIC

Schola Basilicae will offer a meditational concert hour of Sacred music of the Renaissance including the music of Byrd, Tallis, & Palestrina. **Sun., Jan. 29, 7:00 p.m.** All are welcomed to Saint Patrick Basilica, 220 Kent St. Free admittance. Info: (613-233-1126 x 561).

L'ARCHE OTTAWA SEEKING VOLUNTEERS AND ASSISTANTS

Who would like to create community and make a profound difference in someone's life? L'Arche is an International Organization founded over 50 years ago by Jean Vanier. There are over 130 faith-based communities around the world in which we engage and journey with people with developmental disabilities. Info & monthly calendar of community events & activities: www.larcheottawa.org; 613-228-7136, ext. 29.

"Whatsoever you do..."

Development and Peace turns 50! Since 1967, \$600,000,000 has been invested in 100 countries with 15,000 projects. 3,500,000 signatures have been sent. There are 7,000 members across the country including St. Basil's with continued support.