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THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER – APRIL 18, 2010

MASS INTENTIONS APRIL 17 - 25, 2010

5:00 pm Saturday (17th)	+Helen Osiowy req. Agnes Remias
9:00 am Sunday (18th)	Special Intention req. Kitty Piper
1:00 pm Sunday (18th)	For all our Parishioners' Intentions
	NO MORNING MASS ON MONDAY, APRIL 19TH
9:15 am Tuesday (20 th)	+Lawrie Mozol req. Colette & John Mozol
9:15 am Wednesday (21 st)	+Vena Cruickshanks req. Heather Dainard
9:15 am Thursday (22 nd)	Spec. Int. Sharon & Carson Natrass req. George & Sheena Brown
9:15 am Friday (23 rd)	Spec. Int. Jo-Ellen Langevin req. Ed & Mary Langevin
5:00 pm Saturday (24th)	+Joseph Melnyk req. Betty Melnyk and Family
9:00 am Sunday (25th)	+Steve Murowski req. St. James Knights of Columbus
1:00 pm Sunday (25th)	For all our Parishioners' Intentions

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK

Knights of Columbus Exec. Mtg:	Monday, April 19	7-9:00 pm	Room 10
A.C.C. Knitters Group	Monday, April 19	7-9:00 pm	Lounge
Scripture Study	Tuesday, April 20	10:00 am	Room 10
A.C.C. Board Meeting	Thursday, April 22	7:00 pm	Room 10
Archdiocesan Workshop "Lectio Divina"	Saturday, April 24	9 am - 4 pm	Hall
First Communion Preparation Class	Saturday, April 24	9-10:00 am	Worship Area

CATECHISM SUNDAY APRIL 25 FOLLOWING 1:00 PM MASS HALL

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Liturgy of the Word:

First Reading: While the high priest challenges Peter for laying the guilt for Jesus' death at his feet, Peter does not sidestep the accusation he made; however, he offers the gift of forgiveness, a work of the Holy Spirit. Christian faith does not counsel the downplaying of the guilt of sin, but it acknowledges a greater and more powerful reality, the forgiveness of sins.

Second Reading: In the book of Revelation, John describes his vision of the heavenly liturgy in which the lamb is glorified and sits at the right hand of God. In Eucharist we are called to join in the worship of God by the multitudes of the heavenly court, for salvation is ours through the sacrificial death of the Lamb of God who has taken away the sins of the world. We rejoice as we respond to the invitation to share in the heavenly banquet.

Gospel: Following a miraculous catch of fish, that enabled the apostles to recognize the Risen Lord, Jesus' mercy is directed to Peter. Jesus questions Peter's love for Him, and by so doing provides Peter the mercy to repent of his threefold denial. Peter's love for the Lord is to be directed to the care of the flock, Christ's body. All repentance leads us to both a deeper love for Christ and for His body, the Church. *(Sourcebook)*

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK:

The Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada will be hosting 7 events, beginning with Winnipeg on June 16-19, 2010 at The Forks. Brother Thomas Novak, omi, is a liaison with the TRC as well as with the religious communities who were involved with the residential schools. Brother Tom attended our last two deanery meetings to discuss the upcoming events. Last April, Pope Benedict apologized to native Canadians who were physically and sexually abused at Church-run boarding schools, saying he was sorry for their anguish and was praying they would heal.

On the local level, with the goal of working towards healing and reconciliation, it will be important to look at a renewed alliance between the Churches and the Aboriginal Peoples. We will be offering a deanery workshop on **Saturday, June 5, 2010** from 10:00-12 noon, followed by lunch. In addition to members of parish pastoral councils and social justice committees, we are opening the workshop to other interested parishioners as well. The hope is that the parish workshops will be an opportunity to reflect on the experience of those who were students in the schools and the process of assimilation of which the schools were a part. In addition, a look at the relationship between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal Canadians as represented by the treaties. As we recognize the growing Aboriginal presence in most of our communities, Archbishop Weisgerber would like to look at reconciliation, dialogue and improved pastoral services with and to Aboriginal Catholics as a priority. The Truth and Reconciliation Commission sees these events as an opportunity to advance dialogue and understanding. Let us pray for all those who will attend that they may come with open minds and hearts. *(Fr. Gerald)*

Mothers' Day Card Sale: The Parish Justice, Development & Peace Committee is offering the beautiful cards specially designed for the three-year Grandmothers Campaign just completed. Designs include the African Madonna, and the grandmother with grandchild; they are blank inside. The cards will be offered in the Narthex the two weekends before Mothers' Day (April 24 & 25 and May 1 & 2) and will be available during the week in the Office. All proceeds to the Development Education fund.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: Aline Herner; Madeleine Dusessoy; Ruth Kuch; Karen Kirkpatrick; Lloyd Moist; Bert Whitnack; Marlene Scheffler; Allan Egan; Eleanor Kapitany; Stella James; Dolores Mulaire; Adelle Farkas; Shirley Payment; Jean Foley; Jack Krassie; Andre Meyer; Joan Nevins; Elsie Mason; Joe Lebedeff; Doug Rosler; Louis Gollets; Anne Luhowy; Judy Horn; Karen Cruickshanks; Geraldine Turner; Jack Egan; Mike Falavena;

Monthly Collections Report:	Actual:	Same Period Last Year:
March, 2010	\$18,437 (4 weeks)	\$21,665 (4 weeks)
Year to date, 2010	\$59,258 (13 weeks)	\$64,105 (13 weeks)

The Archdiocese of Winnipeg GiFT Committee (Growing in Faith Together) is offering a day entitled: *Praying With Scripture* here at our parish on **Saturday, April 24** from 9:00 am - 4:00 pm. This day will present experiences of praying with scripture individually in private prayer and also praying with scripture in a group. A light lunch will be provided at no charge. Registration is required; forms are available in the office.

St. James-Assiniboia Council Catholic Women's League will hold its monthly meeting at St. Charles Parish on Monday, April 26 with Mass at 7:00 pm followed by the general meeting. Our guests will give a Tai Chi presentation. Come and bring a friend to learn about a new way of fitness. Hope to see all of you there!

Stewardship Reflection: It has often been said that stewardship is *'what we do after we say we believe.'* What are we to do with the resurrection? As good stewards of this incredible gift we are to share it. Jesus said to Peter, *"Feed my lambs."* We are called as disciples today to do the same. Peter reiterates what is central to our discipleship... *love*. To be a witness to the resurrection, but to not have love, is nothing. (*Stewardship Office, The Archdiocese of Winnipeg, www.archwinnipeg.ca*)

St. Charles Catholic School has had the opportunity to host four Grade 8 students from Mexico this year. If you are interested in accommodating a student from Mexico for the upcoming 2010/2011 school year, please contact Lorne or Adriana Zagrodnik at 889-7522. Families would be paid \$575 per month for their support. Through your help, the school would have a more diversified student body at the middle years level and it's a wonderful opportunity for our students to meet some new friends from Mexico, experience a different culture, practice another language and gain a more global perspective.

Lord, Teach Us to Pray: Learning Ignatian Prayer: A six week retreat program with Fr. Richard Soo, sj, starting May 4 from 7-8:30 pm and every Tuesday thereafter until June 15 at St. Ignatius Church. For more information, call 453-9243 or e-mail education.center@stignatiusparish.ca

Winnipeg Harvest Appeal: Your generous choice

Holy Names House of Peace Second Annual Natashas' Home Project Dinner, Friday, April 23 at 6:00 pm in St. Mary's Cathedral Hall. The purpose of the dinner is: To deepen our knowledge about the enslavement and trafficking of women and children throughout the world; to strengthen

our unity by sharing our concern and conviction that the trafficking of women and children is real, wrong and must be eliminated; to raise funds to further educational projects that raise awareness about the 27 million women and children ensnared in the \$9.5 billion worldwide sex trade. Our guest speaker will be Dianna Bussey, The Salvation Army National Representative for the anti-trafficking movement. Reserve your tickets \$15 now and call the House of Peace at 942-5535.

St. Mary's Academy Foundation 2010 Marian Awards: Recipients Dr. Christine Butterill, Dean of Studies, St. Paul's College, and the Honourable Retired Judge Susan Devine, will be honoured at the Sixth Annual Marian Awards on **Saturday, May 8** at the Manitoba Club, 194 Broadway. Mimosa reception at 10:30 am, brunch to follow promptly at 11:00 am. Tickets \$55.00 each or tables of 8 for \$400.00. Contact Andrea Cibinel, Alumnae Office, St. Mary's Academy, phone 478-6031 or e-mail her at acibinel@stmarysacademy.mb.ca

March for Life: The annual *March for Life*, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, will take place in Winnipeg and across Canada on **Thursday, May 13**. This peaceful walk takes place to promote LIFE at all stages from conception to natural death. Gather at The Forks, between the Johnson Terminal and The Forks Market Building at 5:30 pm as the walk will leave The Forks at 6:00 pm sharp and proceed down Broadway to the Legislative Grounds where there will be a short presentation.

St. Paul's High School Parent Guild presents the annual Spring Fashion Show at CanadInns, Polo Park, on **Thursday, April 29**. Cocktails at 5:30 pm, dinner 6:45 pm and fashion show at 8:30 pm. Tickets \$55. Call 831-2300. This event will include a Rainbow Auction, Silent Auction and Live Auction.

Healing Power of Chant session led by Sr. Joan Mormul, OSB at St. Benedict's Retreat & Conference Centre, 225 Masters Ave. on Wednesday, April 21, 9:30 - 3:00 pm. Cost \$35, lunch and refreshments. Call 339-1705 to register.