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Fifth Sunday of Lent

Week of 2nd of April 2017



"...he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also..." *Romans 8:11b*

Coming up...

Tuesday, April 4th 9:00am – Mass in the Rectory

Thursday, April 6th 9:00am – Mass in the Rectory

Friday, April 7th 5:30pm – Soup and Bread Dinner 6:45pm – Stations of the Cross

Saturday, April 8th

9:00am – Mass in church
2:45pm – Adoration and Confessions
4:00pm – Mass at St. Thomas More (For respect of the conscience of all)

Sunday, April 9th

9:00am – Mass at St. Thomas More (For the intentions of Helen McMahon) 10:00am – Soup Sunday after Mass 11:30am – Mass at St. Bernadette Mission (For the people) 6:00pm – Reconciliation Service in church

> Please remember in your prayers... Those who are sick, especially:

Erica Perk, Hermine Jandristis & Frank Spencer

and those who have died, especially:

Adele Hopkins & Deacon Gerry McMurray Contact Fr. Craig to have a name added to this list for four weeks.

Thank you for your generous offerings March 19th, 2017: \$1165 Average for 41 received envelopes: \$26.66 February eGive: \$709 (Weekly avg: \$26.68 for 6)

> 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 ~

Sat 3pm - 3:40pm; Sun 8:20am - 8:45am or by appointment.

~ Baptisms ~

Parents seeking baptism for their child should see the parish priest after Mass or visit baptism.stthomasmillbrook.ca to complete an information form and to learn more about the Baptismal Preparation Period. 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.

 \sim Mens' and Womens' Groups \sim

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.

~ formed.org parish code ~



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~ Holy Week Schedule ~

Mon, Apr 10th
7pm Mass of Chrism at St. Peter-in-Chains Cathedral

Tue, Apr 11th

• 9am Mass in Rectory

Thu, Apr 13th – Holy Thursday

• 7:30pm Mass in church with procession to the "Altar of Repose" in the rectory. Rectory Chapel will remain open for prayer until midnight

Fri, Apr 14th – Good Friday

- 10am Way of the Cross through downtown Peterborough beginning at Cathedral
- 3pm Good Friday liturgy at church in Millbrook

Sat, Apr 15th – Holy Saturday

- 9am Way of the Cross and Morning Prayer at rectory
- 8:30pm Candlelight Easter Vigil

Sun, Apr 16th – Easter Sunday

- 9am Easter Mass at church in Millbrook
- 11:30am Easter Mass at mission in Yelverton

Soup Dinner for Millbrook Food Share

Be fed and support Millbrook Food Share at a community soup and bread dinner in support of Millbrook Food Share through your free will offering. Dinner is on Friday April 7th, 5:30pm – 6:30pm. This dinner helps to support our local food bank and invites people into our community.

Help is needed. If you would like to help serve at this meal or if you might be able to prepare a soup in advance, please sign up on the sheet in the entryway of the church, or speak with Father Craig.

Way of the Cross

Follow Our Lord through his passion at The Way of the Cross, celebrated on Fridays throughout Lent at St. Thomas More church: April 7th at 7pm

Development & Peace Share Lent Collection

While both men and women suffer from poverty in different places around the world, we know that women are disproportionately disadvantaged, having fewer resources and freedom to challenge and overcome their difficult circumstances. They are likely to be the last to eat or the ones least likely to access healthcare. Women often have limited options and access to education, employment and land. Additionally, many women face domestic and sexual violence. While we have seen many advances in the human rights of women around the world, poor women face extra marginalization, and their voices are rarely heard.

Please take a moment as a family to pray and reflect on your Share Lent Donation to be taken up next weekend. Consider becoming a monthly donor, call Karen at 705-745-0034 for more information.

Solidarity Sunday

Thank you for your generosity! Each donation is used to help our sisters and brothers all over the world from Paraguay to Syria, to Indonesia and beyond! We conclude this Share Lent with the words of Pope Francis, offered on the occasion of the Jubilee of Mercy: "Mercy is the force that reawakens us to new life and instils in us the courage to look to the future with hope." Thank you for helping us create a future filled with hope!

Did you know that in 1992, Rigoberta Menchú, a friend of Development and Peace – Caritas Canada, received the Nobel Peace Prize in recognition of her work defending the rights of Indigenous peoples? To learn more about this inspiring woman, visit devp.org/insp-women#rigoberta.

13th Annual Parish Spaghetti Dinner

Mark your calendar! Invite your friends and neighbours! Plan to attend!

Please join us on **Friday**, **April 28**th, for a delicious, fun dinner at St. Thomas More Church Hall, Millbrook, beginning at **4:30 p.m. until 6:30 p.m**. Dinner includes unlimited garlic bread, Caesar salad, spaghetti and homemade sauce (choice of meat or vegetarian), decadent homemade pies, and beverage, all for a great price! Adults \$12; Seniors \$10 (60+); Children \$5 (12 and under); and Family \$30.

PLEASE SEE THE SIGN UP SHEETS AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH, for a list of needed food items and volunteer jobs, including:

Homemade Spaghetti Sauces and Homemade Pies Volunteers- servers, kitchen helpers and clean-up crews. youth and teens are invited to be part of our volunteer team. (Volunteer hours can be offered)

As with all parish events, your participation and generous help is sure to make this special dinner a fun and successful event!