

Sunday, February 2, 2014

Presentation of the Lord



**The Catholic
Communities of
St. John the Evangelist**

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St. Brigid

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SHARING AND GIVING LIGHT

Many people today say that there is a hunger for spirituality in our Lord. I hope this is true. But it may be that much of that hunger is misguided and misinformed. Isaiah tells us that the presence of God...is found in the daily embrace of the neighbour, the hungry, the poor, the naked.

Our faith is not a private affair. A private spirituality is one in which instead of seeking the will of God, we look only for the comforts of God. We want to feel warm and cozy, always filled with enthusiasm and joy. We only want to hear what is comforting and consoling. We close our eyes to anything that might disturb our vision of life or of the Church. We must be faithful to the Church. But, being faithful doesn't mean we have to pretend that there is never anything that needs to be corrected. We have fallen into that trap in the past, and it has cost us dearly.

Being faithful means loving someone with our eyes open. Being faithful does not mean remaining quiet when we see something that is clearly not in keeping with the teachings of Jesus. When we are caught up in a private spirituality, we are only interested in our own personal relationship with God, and don't want to be disturbed by what is really happening in the lives of the poor or in the lives of those who have serious human needs.

MASS INTENTIONS

St. John

Sunday, February 2 at 9:00 a.m.

Souls of Mr. & Mrs. Gus McEvoy, by
The McEvoy family

Thursday, February 6 at 7:00 p.m.

Parishioners of St. John & St. Brigid

Friday, February 7 at 9:00 a.m.

Parishioners of St. John & St. Brigid

Sunday, February 9 at 9:00 a.m.

Soul of Frances Bailey, by Diane
Murphy

St. Brigid

Saturday, February 1 at 5:00 p.m.

Parishioners of St. Brigid & St. John

Sunday, February 2 at 10:30 a.m.

Soul of Nuno Cordeiro, by The
family

Saturday, February 8 at 5:00 p.m.

Soul of Bruno Jakubczak, by The
Scharf family

Sunday, February 9 at 10:30 a.m.

Soul of Lorne Kelly, by Paulette
Boudreau

**Sacrament of Reconciliation
(Confession):**

- Saturday at **St. Brigid** from
4:30 to 4:45 p.m.
- Sundays at **St. John** from
8:30 to 8:45 a.m.

Parish News and Community Life

WELCOME AND CONGRATULATIONS

To the following new members of St. John The Evangelist parish

KALI FAITH MARY DESCHAMPS-LAPIERRE, proud parents of Jared and Caroline Deschamps-Lapierre

ZACHARY TYLER BELAIR, proud parents of Stephane and Terry Belair

To the following new member of St. Brigid's Parish

ELODIE MI-SUN SHIM, proud parents of Paul and Anna Shim

FIRST COMMUNION MEETING

We will be having a parent and child meeting **Saturday, Feb. 8 at 1:30 p.m.** at St. John's church in the meeting room.

CONFIRMATION MEETING

A parent and child meeting **Saturday, Feb. 8 at 2:45 p.m.** at St. John's church in the meeting room, to review lessons 6 to 11 or 12.

WOMEN OF BETHANY MORNING OF PRAYER – Sat., Feb. 22, 2014

Please join us at St. Martin de Porres Church, 3891 Richmond Rd from 9:00 to Noon. The morning will begin with mass, celebrated by Fr. Dan Dubroy, followed by a talk from Sr. Anna Chan. Lunch will be served. RSVP Jo-Anne at registration@womenofbethany.ca or (613-599-6222).

MARIAN PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND – Oct. 20 – Nov. 1, 2014

A pilgrimage to Israel "In the Footsteps of the Virgin Mary" Cost: \$TBA double occupancy + flight. Info/registration night: **Feb. 6, 7:30 p.m.** at Annunciation of the Lord Parish, 2414 Ogilvie Rd. Info: David (613-620-1196).

MASS FOR 'WORLD DAY OF THE SICK'

At the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Parish, 320 Olmstead St., Vanier, **Tues. February 11, 7:00 p.m.** All are welcome. Info: contact (613-746-8503).

VALENTINE SPAGHETTI DINNER & DANCE – Sat., Feb. 8, 6:00 p.m.

With live DJ in the Hall at St. John the Apostle Parish, 2340 Baseline Rd. Cost: \$20 adults; \$10 children 13 & under. Tickets: Johnny (613-219-8252).

CHAMPIONS FOR FAMILIES – Mon., Feb. 17, 2 p.m.

Come and join the Ottawa 67's. As a **thank-you**, we will match the amount of tickets you buy to bring out a group, minimum 20 tickets, or you can give them all to charity. Tickets are \$8 + tax and activities include: 1st 5000 receive a free REDBLACKS toque, meet some players, new mascot will be introduced, live band for national anthem, various fun on ice intermission. Info: Luke at (613-232-6767 ext 8406) or ldenley@oseq.ca. Please see bulletin board at the entrance of the church.

Last Sunday's Collection

St. Brigid: \$ 792.66

St. John: \$ 950.00

Clothing Depot

Open Saturday mornings from 10 a.m. until 12 noon.

Coordinator: Wilda Corcoran at 613-821-3730.

Food Bank

Open Saturday mornings from 10 a.m. until 12 noon.

Coordinators: Len or Denise Herbert at 613-821-1481.

Hospitality

St. Brigid – if you know of a parishioner who is ill, or has suffered a loss, and would appreciate receiving a card, please call Sharon Van Schyndel at 613-489-0247.

Baptisms

Upon Request. A baptism preparation course is required.

Marriage

Please notify the parish office at least six months prior to the anticipated wedding date.

Our St. Brigid Community

St. Brigid Parish Council*

Deanna Kelly, Chair
Maureen Goodspeed
John Kelly

St. Brigid Cemetery

Mike Kelly 613-692-4293

Our St. John Community

St. John Parish Council*

Mark O'Neill, Co-Chair
Dave Sandre, Co-Chair
Sean Blanchfield
Susan Phillips, Finance
Al Hawco, Maintenance
Len Herbert, Maintenance

St. John Cemetery

Leonard Lapensee
613-821-3249

*Please contact Parish Office for Council information.