

Sunday, February 9, 2014
Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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

2540 Stagecoach Road, Osgoode 

**and
St. Brigid**

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MASS INTENTIONS

St. John

Sunday, February 9 at 9:00 a.m.
Soul of Frances Bailey, by Diane Murphy

Thursday, February 13 at 7:00 p.m.
Parishioners of St. John & St. Brigid

Friday, February 14 at 9:00 a.m.
NO MASS – Fr. John is away

Sunday, February 16 at 9:00 a.m.
Soul of Jacques Lemay, by Al and Joan Hawco

St. Brigid

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

Saturday, February 15 at 5:00 p.m.
Souls of Luis & Elsie Gama-Rose & family, by Sheila Gama-Rose

Sunday, February 16 at 10:30 a.m.
Soul of John Clune, by Katie Quigley-Theberge

LETTING YOUR LIGHT SHINE

Today's gospel about salt and light presents one of Jesus' most vivid teachings. In the ancient biblical world, salt was a precious commodity, associated with longevity and permanence. It served as the principal way to preserve food. Loyalty and friendship were sealed with salt because its essence does not change. In both Islam and Judaism, salt seals a bargain because it is immutable. In Christianity, salt is associated not only with longevity and permanence but, by extension, with truth and wisdom. Our church dispenses not only holy water but holy salt, salt *sal sapientia*, the Salt of Wisdom.

Salt gives flavour and zest to food; it also makes people thirst for something more. Jesus wanted his disciples to give flavour and zest to the world through his teaching – to preserve the truth as he proclaimed it and to make the world thirst for more. Salt is an appropriate metaphor for discipleship, which can and does lose its vigour over time if care is not taken to preserve it.

In addition to salt for the earth, Jesus calls his followers to be the light of the world. He transfers his light to those who follow him: "You are light of the world." We are called to follow the Lord Jesus, to be salt and light for the world, to bring to the world the flavour of the gospel and the light of Christ.

**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

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Fr. John will be out of town from February 14 until February 19.

ST. BRIGID'S PARISH

With tax season upon us, we are looking for the parishioner who has envelope #170, for income tax purposes we need your correct name for the receipt, could you please call or e-mail the office. *Thank you.*

CHILDREN FOR FIRST COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION

A reconciliation service will be held after mass on **Saturday, Feb. 22** at St. Brigid's church.

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).

MARRIED COUPLES

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend in Ottawa, **February 28 – Mar. 2**. Spaces are limited. Info & registration: A.J. & Chantal Plant (613-443-8297) by Feb. 15 (www.wmcanada.org).

CATHOLIC EDUCATION FOUNDATION OF OTTAWA

CEFO announces 8 performances of Broadway musical "Annie", **Feb. 13-16 & Feb. 19-22** at St. Paul High School, 2675 Draper. Show times: 7:30 p.m. (16th & 22nd are 2:00 p.m. matinees). Proceeds to CEFO's school programs. All tickets at the door. Cost: adults \$18; students 13-18 yrs \$15; children under 12 & seniors \$12. Info: (www.catholiceducationfoundation.ca).

ST. MARY'S 'WOMEN'S BREAKFAST' EVENT

Speaker Sr. Alice Johnson sharing about "My Life Story" St. Mary's Parish church hall, 100 young St., **Sat., Feb. 22, 9:45 – 11:45 a.m.** Free will offering R.S.V.P. required for numbers (stmaryswomensgroup@gmail.com).

MEN'S CURSILLO – APRIL 3 – 5

Fr. John Fletcher, CC is the spiritual advisor of the men's cursillo this April and will be giving a number of talks during the weekend. All men are invited. See Fr. John for more information.

WHAT KIDS SAY

During a family reunion, someone suggested our five-year-old son, Shawn, might have a future in the priesthood. His grandmother asked later if he'd given it any thought. "I don't know," he mused. "Six years in the cemetery seems like a long time."

Last Sunday's Collection

St. Brigid: \$ 986.00

St. John: \$ 1,182.00

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

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