## Sunday, January 26, 2014

Third Sunday In Ordinary Time



# The Catholic Communities of St. John the Evangelist

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#### THE NEED TO BE ONE

This week we are praying that our desire to be united as Christians will become more tangible. We hear Jesus say, "Follow me." Four fisherman spontaneously drop their nets and follow Jesus. For a brief and precious moment there is unity in Jesus' community. This unity is the result of each person freely letting go of their past and embracing a new future.

Unity is gained, in part, when each person voluntarily gives up something that hinders them from being included in the community. Parents' long-held beliefs and traditions may be challenged. Spouses and good friends may be asked to change and move from my way to our way or risk ending up alone. Unity among Christians and all religions will be realized through authentic re-examination of perspectives and positions that cause the current disunity. In this way, we will demonstrate that we value communion over being right.

The challenge is to recognize which conviction we can let go of without compromising our integrity. Creating unity involves taking risks like the ones the disciples took by following Jesus. It is only in the act of letting go that we discover we were holding on too tightly.

#### MASS INTENTIONS

#### <u>St. John</u>

Sunday, January 26 at 9:00 a.m. Soul of James Murphy, by Diane Murphy

Friday, January 31 at 9:00 a.m. NO MASS – Fr. John is away

Sunday, February 2 at 9:00 a.m. Souls of Mr. & Mrs. Gus McEvoy, by The McEvoy family

#### St. Brigid

**Saturday, January 25 at 5:00 p.m.** Soul of Nuno Cordeiro, by Mrs. Teresa Raposa

Sunday, January 26 at 10:30 a.m. Soul of John Benz, by Bob & Kate Theberge & family

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

# 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

Please pray for the Companions of the Cross as they gather in Houston for a week of study and prayer. Fr. John will be attending this event and will be away from <u>Jan. 23 until Feb. 5</u>. Also please continue to pray for bishopelect Christian Riesbeck, CC as he prepares for his ordination to the episcopacy on March 19.

#### 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.

#### 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.

#### DIOCESAN CELEBRATION OF 'WORLD DAY FOR CONSECRATED LIFE'

An invitation to all members of religious communities & consecrated persons. Celebrate Vespers on Sun., Feb. 2, 3 pm at Notre Dame Cathedral.

#### MARRIAGE PREPARATION SESSION

At St. Joseph's Ottawa. **Sat.**, **Mar. 29 & Sun.**, **Mar. 30.** To register: contact the parish (613-233-4095 x235).

#### PILGRIMAGE TO HOLY LAND - May 25 - June 3, 2014

With Fr. Leonard St. John to Israel and Jordan. Cost: \$2180 double occupancy + flight. Info/registration night: Feb. 6, 7:30 p.m. at Annunciation of the Lord Parish, 2414 Ogilve Rd. Info: David (613-620-1196).

#### **SLRADIO**

The worlds only 24/7 Catholic English music online radio station. The music of contemporary Catholic artists. Listen at ( www.saltandlighttv.org/radio).

#### 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).

#### DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE - THANK YOU

Thanks to the generosity over \$10.3 million was raised for relief and reconstruction in the Philippines that was impacted by the super Typhoon.

#### Last Sunday's Collection

St. Brigid: \$ 1,103.10

St. John: \$1,695.25

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

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