

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JANUARY 20/21, 2007

DONATIONS

Regular Envelopes.....	2,684.00
<u>Loose</u>	<u>316.00</u>
Total	3,000.00

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

We meet Tuesday evenings at 6:30 in the school. Religious Education is for children of our parish who do not attend St. Mary's School. Call Giselle for more information. 564-4097

LET THE LITTLE CHILDREN COME TO ME!

The Children's Liturgy of the Word is celebrated at the 11:00 a.m. Mass on Sundays.

CWL KORNER.

The CWL will host "The Golden Age Club" at the Civic Centre on Wednesday, January 24th, 2:00pm. Baking is requested for this event. Any cookies, squares, small jars of jams & jellies (home-made preferred) etc., may be left at the parish office weekdays, 8:00 – 11:30 and 12:30 – 4:30 (3:00 on Fridays)

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE WINTER MEETING

Development and Peace will be having their diocesan winter meeting on January 26th & 27th. Everyone is invited and welcome. It will take place at Sacred Heart (downstairs) beginning at 7:30 pm on the Friday and continuing on Saturday from 9 am till 5 pm. This will be followed with mass at Sacred Heart and then a pot luck dinner. Anyone interested in Development and Peace should come (even just for part of it) and enjoy the great spirit in this group.

I AM in shape....round is a shape.
Time may be a great healer, but it's a lousy beautician.
I plan on living forever.....so far, so good.
In two days, tomorrow will be yesterday.

MORNING PRAYER 7:00AM WEEKDAYS

MORNING MASS 7:20 AM WEEKDAYS

Sat. Jan 20	7:00pm	INT Mary Novak
Sun. Jan 21.	9:00am	For the People of Our Parish
	11:00am	RIP Lindsay Santos
Mon. Jan.22	7:20am	RIP Elvira Ferreira
Tue. Jan. 23	7:20am	RIP Marie Gervais
Wed. Jan. 24	7:20am	RIP Odiane & Hermel Michaud
Thu. Jan. 25	7:20am	RIP Frances Glasser
Fri. Jan. 26..	7:20am	RIP Alfredo Salazar
Sat. Jan. 27	7:00pm	RIP Mauricio Florian
Sun Jan. 28 .	9:00am	For the People of Our Parish
	11:00am	RIP Ingvar Nordal

YOUTH MINISTRY

Parish Youth: No Youth Group this week. Join us at Sacred Heart for SPORTS NIGHT on January 29th, 7 to 9pm.

Young Adults: All Young Adults grade 12 and up are invited to meet after Youth Group the 1st, 2nd and 3rd Sunday of each month at 8:30pm. We meet in St. Mary's Gym foyer.

YOUR YOUTH MINISTRY COORDINATOR, ROBERTA.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

RCIA meets Mondays, at 7:00 p.m. in the conference room. For more information call Giselle at the parish office 564-4097.

ST. MARY'S SCHOOL & PARISH APPRECIATION POT LUCK DINNER TODAY!!!! (SUNDAY)!!!!

All those who have volunteered in the school or in the church are invited to a Potluck dinner TODAY, January 21st in the school gym. Doors open at 4:30. dinner at 5:00. Coffee, juice and dessert will be provided. If you could bring your favorite main dish, salad or appetizer that would be great. Last names beginning A to M, please bring a main dish. Names beginning N to Z, please bring a salad or appetizer. COME OUT AND CELEBRATE WITH ST. MARY'S COMMUNITY. See you there!!!

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE

This year marks the 40th Anniversary of Development and Peace and we are celebrating the work done by many dedicated members throughout the years. We have organized a research project competition which answers the question "How does the work of Development and Peace reflect the teachings of the gospels"? Almost all the Catholic Schools in the Diocese are participating in this project which is for Grades 6 and 7 students. However, those Grade 6 and 7 students who attend the parish but do not attend Catholic schools can also participate. There will be prizes at certain stages of the process and a final prize for the two Diocesan winners. If you are interested in participating you can pick up the details and guidelines of the competition from the Parish secretary or at the back of the church.

DOMANO RENEWAL CENTRE- 964-4475

Please call 964-4475 to register for all programs.

COUNSELING

Counseling services at the Renewal Centre for couples and individuals offered by Brian Bulgin.

Loss and Grief Group – Morning Sessions

Saturday mornings: to Mar 10th, 2007

Time: 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Fee: \$50 for the eight week experience.

Facilitator: Brian Bulgin, MEd., counselor

Everyday Simplicity

This reflective group is guided by Everyday Simplicity: A Practical Guide to Spiritual Growth, by RJ Wicks.

New series could begin if there is interest. Please call. Books would have to be purchased.

Evenings for Women

Come once or come often. 2nd Tuesday of each month. 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Fee: \$5 per evening or by donation. Facilitator: Jean Marie Lehtinen, OP

The Second Half of Life – Book Discussion

Wednesdays, until Mar 28, 2007 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Fee: \$50.00 (10 sessions)

Facilitator: Brian Bulgin, MEd. Book required. Purchased separately.

Retreat for Men

Presentor: Bishop Gerry Wiesner OMI

Fri. Jan.26 with light supper 6pm to Sat. Jan.27 after supper.

Fee: Live-In \$100. Commuter \$75. Deposit of \$35. with registration by Jan.22.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL NEWS

Serving People Challenged By Poverty

Drop In Center: We continue to feed the hungry 7 days per week.

Current needs: Large tins of tomatoes, tuna, chicken and beef stock. We also need skim milk powder and tins/jars of fruit and pasta sauces.

Thrift Store: open Monday to Saturday.

We can currently only accept donations Wednesday through Saturday.

Current needs: Volunteers----- Monday through Saturday.

volunteers to receive, sort, tag and generally prepare donations for sale in the store are very much in short supply.

To volunteer...please pick up a volunteer application form at the store or contact Bernie at 564-3416

WEBSITE

If you've been reading **The Grrapevine** newsletter, you know that we have developed a website for the parish. Check it out!!! www.geocities.com/saintmaryspg

ARE YOU MISSING OUT ON PARISH NEWS?

We publish our Grrapevine Newsletter every two weeks (more or less). It's a place for information on what the Pastoral Team is up to, a place for education and a place for parish information. We can't fit everything into the bulletin, so a lot of it goes into the Grrapevine. If you haven't picked up a copy, give it a try. It's a nice, bright gold colour!

BAPTISM PREPARATION FOR OLDER CHILDREN

We have revised our baptism preparation program for older children. Parents who wish to have their child baptized (age 5 to 12) are asked to register their child in the Religious Education program. During the year they will have special sessions that will prepare them for baptism. Children in Grade 2 and up will also receive preparation for Confirmation and First Communion. Please phone Giselle at the parish office.

CATHOLIC COUNSELING SERVICES AVAILABLE FOR INDIVIDUALS, COUPLES AND FAMILIES

Sr. Tarianne deYonker, OP, a Registered Marriage and Family Therapist and Social Worker, can be contacted at 964-4424 Monday through Friday, 8:30-4:30 for an appointment. One need not be Catholic to receive these services. Care will be taken to make the service affordable.

FOR SALE

Mobile home on 1.003 acres. 12 ft. X 60 ft. with two large rooms added plus large sundeck, new roof, large wood shed and new wood stove. ALL household effects include new kitchen sink, new bathroom unit: tiled shower, sink, toilet bowl. Situated at Miller Creek sub-division, ten miles north of Queen Charlotte on Highway 16. Ocean view and two minute walk to the beach. Has access to well and one thousand gallon tank to collect rain water. Asking \$89,000. Call 250-559-8235 or email olim@qcislands.net

SUPREME COURT VIGIL

We need a law in Canada to protect the unborn. There has been NO LAW since January 1988, when the Supreme Court rejected the 1969 abortion law because of inconsistent interpretations across Canada. Court Justices then advised Parliament to create a new law while they also clarified that the country has an interest in protecting fetal rights. Parliament has reneged. Please be present at the peaceful, prayerful gathering outside the courthouse on Saturday, January 27th, from 1:00 to 2:00pm to show your support for a Canadian law to protect the unborn.

AGAINST THE GRAIN

True Christianity is harsh;

We speak truth when lies would be more comfortable.

We call to holiness when sin gives more profit.

We are the sandpaper that rubs against the lax moral grain of the world.

