

33rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

NOVEMBER 18/19, 2006

DONATIONS

Regular Envelopes.....	3,108.00
Loose	290.00
Total	3,398.00

St. Vincent de Paul.... 441.50

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

We meet Tuesday evenings at 6:30 in the school. This Tuesday, November 19, Fr. Richard will join us and will celebrate a Teaching Eucharist with us, and will explain the parts of the Mass throughout the celebration. Parents are invited to attend!!

ST. MARY'S SCHOOL SILENT AUCTION

The 6th Annual Silent Auction, Dinner and Dance, to be held Nov.25, is seeking donations of items to be auctioned off. This is a major fundraiser for our school and we are asking our parish community to help. Items, big or small will be accepted. Bring auction items to the school office and tell Mrs. Boyce who is donating the item so that an acknowledgement can be sent. Tickets for the event are on sale at the school.

THEOLOGY ON TAP

Theology on Tap is being held at College Heights Pub, 5 to 6:30pm. Today, Drs' Neil and Virginia Lettinga speak on "Being Honest in a Sometimes Not so Honest World" and on Nov. 26th our own Giselle Jakobs will speak on "Creation and Evolution in Light of the Gospel". Theology on Tap is an excellent way to reflect on our faith and meet other people. More info and schedules available on the bulletin boards.

CHRISTMAS HAMPERS

Two Special Collections will be taken on Nov. 25/26 and Dec. 2/3 for the St. Vincent de Paul Christmas Hampers for the needy in Prince George. Please be as generous as you can for those who are so much more unfortunate than we are. Make your St. Vincent de Paul donation a part of your family Christmas traditions. Also, remember the donation box at the back of the church. Suggestions for monthly donations follow: Week 1, Macaroni & Cheese. Week 2, Noodle soups. Week 3, Pastas. Week 4, canned soups & vegetables. Week 5 "surprise week" may include jams, pickles, lentils, rice, skim milk powder, coffee, tea, flour, sugar etc. etc. etc.

MORNING PRAYER

MORNING MASS

Sat. Nov. 18..	7:00pm	INT Peggy McMorrow
Sun. Nov. 19.	9:00am	For the People of Our Parish
	11:00am	RIP Jo-Anne Wessel
Mon. Nov. 20	7:20am	RIP Mary Campbell
Tue. Nov. 21	7:20am	RIP Lindsay Santos
Wed. Nov. 22	7:20am	RIP Frances Glasser
Thu. Nov. 23..	7:20am	RIP Marie Gervais
Fri. Nov. 24.	7:20am	INT Lawrence Swaluk
Sat. Nov. . 25	7:00pm	INT Harry & Tony Snyders (52 nd)
Sun Nov. . 26	:9:00am	For the People of Our Parish
	11:00am	RIP Anna Fernandes

YOUTH MINISTRY

EVERYONE....GRADES 7 TO 12!! Join us November 19th from 7 to 8:30pm. Bring your friends!

YOUNG ADULTS -Anyone Grade 12 and up is invited to meet after Youth Group the 1st, 2nd & 3rd Sunday of each month. (8:30pm) We will meet in St. Mary's Gym foyer.

**YOUR YOUTH MINISTRY COORDINATOR,
ROBERTA.**

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

RCIA meets Mondays, at 7:00pm. in the conference room. For more information call Giselle at the parish office 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.

RAINBOWS

RAINBOWS peer support program for children, teens and adults who have experienced a loss in their lives because of death, divorce, separation, abandonment or any painful transition in their family is now accepting applications for the sessions beginning January 11th. REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS December 15th. To receive a form and schedule please contact Ursula Morris at 563-5584 or Sr. Margaret Quinn at 562-2817. Fax 562-5827

REMEMBER IN NOVEMBER

Traditionally, November is the month the church dedicates to the Holy Souls, when we remember our deceased relatives and friends. As in past years, we will have our Book of Life displayed in the Church during the month of November, and will offer prayers for all those recorded therein.

This year, we will display the Book of Life underneath the Tree of Life, near the baptismal font and paschal candle. Both the font and the candle remind us that we were all baptized into Christ's death and resurrection and that all those who have fallen asleep in Christ share our hope in the eternal life. Please take a few moments during the month to add the names of your deceased friends and relatives to the book.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ANNUAL PASTA SUPPER DOORS OPEN AT 3:30, SUPPER AT 4:30

Mark your calendars.....Sunday, December 10th is our annual (& yummy) Pasta Supper hosted by the Knights of Columbus. Your cost for this superb meal is one unwrapped child's gift, which will be sorted and wrapped by our Youth Group and donated to St. Vincent de Paul to be included in their Christmas hampers. This is always a great meal, as well as a worthy cause, so plan to attend with your family and friends. Please call the parish office to let us know how many to expect...we need numbers for the meal preparation.

He is the happiest, be he king or peasant, who has peace in his home.

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.

Nov.20th Dec.4th 7:00 to 9:00pm

Evenings for Men.

The purpose of these evenings is to gather men from all walks of life to share their experiences of faith, life and growth. An opportunity for men to explore how the "fire of life" feeds their lives, relationships and connection with the divine. Fee \$5 per session. Facilitator: Brian Bulgin MEd.

Nov. 25, 10am-12 Noon

Good grief for the Holidays. Coping with grief During the Holiday Season.

Grief can be difficult anytime, particularly at holidays. This workshop provides an opportunity to discuss ways to help you cope with your grief.

Fee: \$10, or donation.

Facilitator: Beverly Bobola, OP.

Nov.26, 1:30 – 3:30

Making Christmas Decorations

Come and be creative and take home something beautiful. No experience necessary. An enjoyable afternoon guaranteed. Please call for a supply list. Max 12 participants. Bethany House dining room.

Fee: donation. Facilitator: Phyllis Sarrazin

WHITE RIBBON AGAINST PORNOGRAPHY

Bill C-22, the Age of Consent Bill, has passed second reading in the House of Commons. The Bill has now moved to the Justice Committee for debate before returning to the House for the final vote. The Bill focuses on raising the age of consent for sexual activity from 14 years to 16 years of age. It is meant to protect children under the age of 16 from adult predators. You can encourage our member of Parliament by signing the white ribbons that will be at the entrances of the church next weekend, **Nov.25 & 26**. The ribbons will be sent to our MP with the clear message: PROTECT CANADIAN CHILDREN FROM ADULT PREDATORS. OTTAWA, RAISE THE AGE OF SEXUAL CONSENT FROM 14 YEARS. For More details visit the website at www.4case.ca

HELP NEEDED

A caregiver is needed for an elderly couple. This is a part time paid position. For more details please call Joan or Sandra at 563-3501.

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. Sessions take place at the Diocesan Centre Counselling Office.

CATHOLIC SCHOOL BUSING TRANSPORTATION COORDINATOR/DRIVER NEEDED.....

The above is needed for the 3 Catholic Schools in Prince George. The fleet consists of 5 buses with four daily bus routes. The Coordinator is responsible for the day-to-day operation including route details, staffing, budget, bus maintenance, student management and inquiries from parents. Must have class 2 driver's licence and basic computer skills. Please see the bulletin boards for remaining details. Extra copies have been made. If interested, please take one. Deadline for applications is November 17th.

PARISH PHOTO DIRECTORY

Guess what... you can make your appointment today, to have your picture taken for the photo directory! We have volunteers at the back of the church after Mass today, who can sign you up for one of the time slots during the week of December 2 to December 9. Take advantage of this opportunity to get the time slot that you want!!

World Heavy Weight Boxer, Muhammad Ali was on an airplane and a flight attendant reminded him to fasten his seat belt.

He responded "Don't you know who I am? I am Superman...and Superman don't need no seatbelt".

The flight attendant quickly replied..."Superman don't need no plane either".

