

FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING

NOVEMBER 25/26, 2006

DONATIONS

Regular Envelopes.....2,755.50
Loose 306.00
Total 3,061.50

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

We meet Tuesday evenings at 6:30 in the school.

THEOLOGY ON TAP

Theology on Tap is being held at College Heights Pub, 5 to 6:30pm. Today, (Sunday) 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 on the bulletin boards.

CHRISTMAS HAMPERS

A Special Collection will be taken after Mass today, 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 and make your St. Vincent de Paul donation a part of your family Christmas traditions

THEO TIDBITS

Bishop Wiesner will reflect on "Mary in the Life of the Church" on Tue. Nov. 28th and Thurs. Nov. 30th. Theo Tidbits are mini theological studies. Learn a "Tidbit" about Mary in a relaxed atmosphere. Hope to see you there. 7pm both nights in the Conference Room.

MAINTENANCE/HANDYMAN WANTED

A Maintenance/Handyman is required by St. Mary's Parish to perform basic maintenance skills in carpentry, servicing electrical systems and plumbing on an "as needed" basis. Tasks will also include handyman functions such as snow removal, lawn maintenance, yard cleanup and gardening, which may be done by others under the direction of the maintenance/handyman. For details of work and remuneration contact Moe Gannon at 964-6922.

MORNING PRAYER

7:00AM WEEKDAYS

MORNING MASS

7:20 AM WEEKDAYS

Sat. Nov. 25.. 7: 00pm	INT Harry & Tonny Snyders (53 rd)
Sun. Nov. 26. 9:00am	For the People of Our Parish
11:00am	RIP Anna Fernandes
Mon. Nov. 27 7:20am	RIP Frances Glasser
Tue. Nov. 28 7:20am	RIP Amelia McGraw
Wed. Nov. 29 7:20am	RIP Frances Glasser
Thu. Nov. 30.. 7:20am	RIP Maurice Gallagher
Fri. Dec. 1. 7:20am	INT Larry & Mary Crooks
Sat. Dec. 2 7:00pm	RIP Ilidio DaSilva
Sun Dec. 3 .9:00am	For the People of Our Parish
11:00am	RIP Rose Swaluk

YOUTH MINISTRY

No Youth Group tonight due to SPORTS NIGHT at Sacred Heart on Monday, (27th) 7 to 9pm. See you on the 3rd.

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

YOUR YOUTH MINISTRY COORDINATOR,
ROBERTA.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

Last Sunday, at the 11:00 Mass, we celebrated the Rite of Acceptance with our new catechumen Nikki Mackenzie. Welcome Nikki!!! The RCIA usually meets Mondays, at 7:00pm. in the conference room. On Monday, December 4, we will be meeting in the Parish Office building at 1088 Gillett Street. The conference room will be commandeered by the IPC Photo Directory crew. 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

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NECROLOGY MASS

The Knights of Columbus District 15 invite you and your family to the Necrology Mass here at St. Mary's, 7:00pm Thursday, November 30th. The Necrology Mass is held in honor of our brother Knights in the district who passed away from January 2005 to November 2006. Fr. Richard Beaudette celebrating. Please note: this Mass will be followed by the Family Hour of Prayer. For more information please contact Romeo at 960-2510 or email romeo.ancheta@huskyenergy.ca

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.

NOTE: St. Mary's Advent/Christmas schedule is included on the back of the December calendar in today's bulletin.

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.

Dec.2, 7:00pm in the Chapel

Taize Evening Prayer

This hour of prayer, in the style of the ecumenical community at Taize, France, consists of simple chants of praise, petition and thanksgiving, and short readings from scripture.

No Fee. Facilitators: Frank & Mary-Anne Jamin.

Thurs. Dec.7 9:30am to 3:30pm

Day of stillness in Advent

This retreat time offers participants an opportunity to deepen their journey with God.

Fee \$25 (includes lunch)

Facilitator: Donna Dolan RSCJ

Dec.12 7:30pm

Advent Prayer Evening

During Advent we prepare to celebrate the first coming of Jesus. We look forward to His Second Coming and we foster His coming within us. Refreshments will follow in Bethany dining room.

No Fee. Presentor: Bishop Gerry Wiesner, OMI

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. You are encouraged to sign the white ribbon at one of the church entrances, urging the Members of Parliament to "raise the age of sexual consent from 14 to 16 years of age." The white ribbons will be sent to our Member of Parliament with the clear message: PROTECT OUR CANADIAN CHILDREN FROM ADULT SEXUAL PREDATORS. St. Mary's CWL. Thank you for taking the time to support this worthwhile project.

CHRISTMAS KETTLE CAMPAIGN

The salvation Army is in urgent need of volunteers for the Christmas Kettle Campaign. If you can help, please call Pamela Laycock at 564-4000. Thank you.

ACTUAL COMMENTS ON JOB APPLICATIONS

"When he opens his mouth, it seems it's only to change feet"

"This young lady has delusions of adequacy"

"This young man is depriving a village of its idiot"

"Got a full 6 pack; lacks the plastic thingy to hold it together"

"A gross ignoramus-144 times worse than an ordinary ignoramus"

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.

PARISH PHOTO DIRECTORY

If you didn't sign up the last two weekends, don't worry!!! Our phone volunteers will be phoning people over the next week to book your appointment. Remember, if you get your photo taken you receive a free copy of the directory. And there is NO obligation to buy a portrait package from the company. Photos are being taken during the week of December 4 to December 9. Photos will be taken in the Conference Room. For more information, look at the insert in the bulletin!!

WORK IS A GIFT

For most of us, the largest amount of time we spend is at our work. Butcher, baker or homemaker, our work makes up the largest single part of our lives. "What do you do?" is one of the first things we ask when we first meet someone. Our work is the essence of who we are. And though we work to benefit ourselves, our work is always something that benefits others. Your work is a gift. Without it you wouldn't know the abilities that make you the person you are. With it you take part as a unique individual in the human enterprise. It is God's way of letting you "make your mark" on the world by participating in things far larger and more enduring than the days of your life.

PRAYERS FOR THE UNBORN

Please join us today, 2pm at Sacred Heart as we pray for the unborn.

