



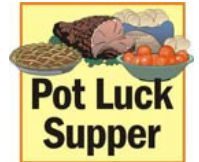
# Mass Intentions

Monday, February 9th	12:10 p.m.	† John Shanks
Tuesday, February 10th	12:10 p.m.	† Andy Wojtowicz
Wednesday, February 11th	11:15 a.m.	Barrie Manor, 340 Blake Street
	7:00 p.m.	† Dan White
Thursday, February 12th	12:10 p.m.	† Mary Cavanaugh
Friday, February 13th	12:10 p.m.	† Florence Binns
Saturday, February 14th	9:00 a.m.	† John Shaughnessy

*you're*  
**INVITED**

## FAMILY DAY WEEKEND POTLUCK

*Don't forget to come out and join us next Saturday, February 14th after the 5:00 p.m. mass for our FAMILY DAY POTLUCK. Bring your favourite dish and family! Food can be dropped off in the parish hall before the 5pm mass. This is a great opportunity for us to come together as a parish family and for a time of fellowship!*



### PRAY AND SEW



Pray and Sew will meet **Wednesday, February 25th from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.** in the hall to make children's cloth teddy bears for Dr. Simone. **Please bring scissors!** Pattern provided. Come join us to sew! All are welcome! For further

information please contact Colleen Evans in the parish office at 728-2985.

### YOUTH RETREAT



On **Feb. 21<sup>st</sup> to Feb. 22<sup>nd</sup>**, Bishop Hundt and The Office of Catholic Youth are hosting a **Lenten Retreat / Mardi Gras Celebration** at The Highwayman Inn & Conference

Centre in Orillia. The retreat is to prepare ourselves for the Lenten season. A limited number of spaces have been reserved specifically for the high school students in St. Mary's Parish. We will be carpooling from St. Mary's to Orillia at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday, Feb. 21, returning on Feb. 22 by 11:00 a.m. **The cost is only \$10.00.** Please see Robin for registration forms.

### PILGRIMAGE

12 Day Pilgrimage to EWTN "Mother Angelica Live TV show," June 9-20 celebrating Corpus Christi at the Most Blessed Sacrament Shrine, Alabama. Stay at Shrines and Jesuit Retreat Houses along the way. See bulletin board or for further details and information call Joe or Jean at 722-4714.

### MINISTRY WITH MATURING ADULTS



**Life Story Writing Groups:** This programme begins on Tuesday, February 10th, 2009. Sessions will be held in meeting room 3 from 1:00-3:00 p.m. Participants are asked to bring their own writing materials (pen, notebook).

#### Committee Needed

- March 18th: A Refreshment Committee for the *Irish Ceilidh/Party*.
- April 15th: A Hospitality Committee for *Guest Speaker Event (Dr. Bruce Meyer)*.
- May 20th: A Planning Committee for *Celebration of Talents*.

Persons willing to be part of these committees are asked to contact Sister Mary Rose as soon as possible at 728-2985.

**The Ministry of Caregiving:** A three session programme on Thursdays; Feb. 26, March 5, March 12 in room 3 from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. This short programme will focus on some fundamental principles of caregiving. It is for persons involved in direct care and/or supportive care of an aging parent, a spouse, relative, friend or neighbour. It may also be helpful for persons anticipating such involvement. Brochures and registration forms are available in the church foyer.

### NEW BEGINNINGS

**Special Weekend Retreat: Feb. 13 – 15th.** Have you suffered the loss of a spouse through separation, divorce, or death? Consider this weekend of hope and healing. Call 416-921-1163 ext. 2246 for enquiries.

### SISTER MARJORIE UPDATE

Sister Marjorie is recovering well from her surgery. She makes the point of going for a good walk everyday and feels that she is regaining her strength. She is aware that she will need follow-up treatment and she will get the details on that in the near future. For those who wish to send cards or good wishes her address is:

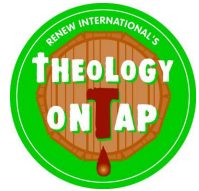
**Sister Marjorie Casey**  
**c/o Shalom Residence, 600 Cecilia Street,**  
**Pembroke, Ontario K8A 7Z3.**

### WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER



These weekends are designed to expand and deepen the joys a couple share together whether they have been married for a short time or for many years. The next upcoming weekends are February 13-15 in Ottawa, March 27-29 in Niagara Falls, April 17-19 in Toronto, May 15-17 in Peterborough and October 23-25 in Toronto. For further information please call John and Karen Hawkins at 487-2958.

### THEOLOGY ON TAP



Please mark **Monday, February 23rd** on your calendar as the next Theology on Tap. YM4SMP is inviting all young adults in their twenties and thirties to attend an evening of thought-provoking conversation on theological topics. Joe Egan of L'Arche Canada will speak on Human Rights: inclusion, understanding, and belonging. Please watch for further details on the time and location. For more information please call Robin Parkes at the Parish office or email him at [ym4mp@gmail.com](mailto:ym4mp@gmail.com).

### KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION GETTING READY FOR FAITH-FILLED LEARNING



To help parents and students get ready for Kindergarten, the Simcoe Muskoka Catholic District School Board has developed a fun and informative package, including a parent booklet, child's activity book and DVD. We encourage parents who are looking to register their child for Kindergarten to drop by their local Catholic school to pick up their copy of the package. You can also find all of the information on the school Board's website at [www.smcdsb.on.ca](http://www.smcdsb.on.ca) under the Parent menu – Enrolling Your Child.

### CALLED BY NAME

Where do vocations come from? There is no doubt they have something to do with an individuals' relationship with God but surely they are about relationship with the human family as well. Have you ever had an impact on someone's vocation? Do you communicate the joy of your faith and the privilege of service? Do you encourage at all times and criticize rarely? Let us think deeply of vocations and our role in fostering them. We will soon be asking you, as a parishioner of St. Mary's, to play a particular role in the "Called by Name" program.

### CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

The Mary Matthews **Public Speaking Contest** will take place on **March 1, 2009** in St. Mary's parish hall, from 1:30 p.m. until 4:30 p.m. (approx). Students in grades 5, 6, 7, and 8 are eligible to participate. If you are a student attending public school, and are interested in competing, please contact Ann Diamond at (705) 487-0433, before February 20, for further information.

All CWL councils are invited to join in the celebration of the Year of St. Paul on **Saturday, February 21, 2009**. Please see the bulletin board at the back of the church for the full itinerary and call Anita at 737-1663 for further information and to register.

### SPRING IS COMING!!!

Catholic Family Services of Simcoe County will be distributing a flyer in the bulletin next week advertising spring bulbs & seeds. This new fundraising venture will help raise funds for the agency as the need for our services increases during this time of economic instability. **Thank you for your continued support!**



### ACCESSIBILITY RESOURCE CENTER

A new Accessibility Resource Center has been established for residents of Simcoe Muskoka. The goal of this Center is to enable seniors and others to remain in their own homes as they recover from illness or as they age.

The new Center will assist in finding solutions that will meet accessible home renovation, vehicle modification, and/or assistive device needs. This inclusive public service provides knowledgeable & experienced staff who can educate and assist the public with information on various funding sources.

Contact through S.C.A.P.D. at 44 Cedar Point Dr in Barrie, by telephone 705-737-3263 x 239, [arc@scapd.on.ca](mailto:arc@scapd.on.ca) or at [www.scapd.on.ca](http://www.scapd.on.ca).