



# Mass Intentions

<b>Monday, March 2nd</b>	12:10 p.m.	† Barry Turnbull
	7:00 p.m.	† Yves Bourgoin
<b>Tuesday, March 3rd</b>	12:10 p.m.	† Alex McKendry
<b>Wednesday, March 4th</b>	12:10 p.m.	† John Shanks
	7:00 p.m.	† Connor Thomson
<b>Thursday, March 5th</b>	12:10 p.m.	† Margaret Kwasny
<b>Friday, March 6th</b>	12:10 p.m.	† Paulette Harradine
	7:00 p.m.	† Dennis Decarie
<b>Saturday, March 7th</b>	9:00 a.m.	† Joseph Shaughnessy

## MINISTRY WITH MATURING ADULTS



**An Irish Ceilidh - Wednesday, March 18th from 1-3:00 p.m. in the hall.**

Some people may find it strange that we are having a party in Lent. It is important to remember that the primary purpose of all our general events is to build up our faith community by providing gatherings which connect people with each other. One of the ministries of this group is hospitality towards each other.

You are invited to contribute to refreshments by bringing one of the following: Irish tea bread, Irish soda bread, tea biscuits, scones and jam.

## THE KING EDWARD CHOIR



The King Edward Choir is inviting everyone to join them for **Midwinter Magic**, an evening of beautiful music by the masters – Mozart, Bruckner, Poulenc, Part and Elgar. A selection of hymns and spirituals will be performed as well. This event will be held **Saturday, March 7th at 7:30 p.m.** at Collier St. United Church. Tickets are \$20 for adults and available at Music Pro, Music in Fusion and by calling 726-1916. Visit [www.kingedwardchoir.org](http://www.kingedwardchoir.org) for more information.

## CALLED BY NAME

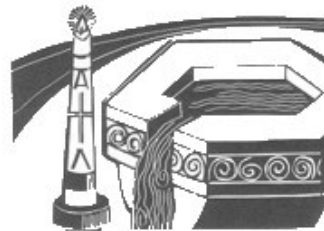
Next week, we are going to try something which has not been offered in the recent past at St. Mary's as part of our movement towards "Called By Name." We are going to invite Fr. Michael, Deacon Ron and Sister Mary Rose to reflect on their call to vocation at the homily time. Next week, you will also receive the form with which you can nominate those who you consider good candidates for priestly diaconal or religious life.



# Share...Life!

This year's ShareLife Parish Campaign theme is:

## You can work WONDERS...



The theme of the 2009 ShareLife campaign truly reflects the power the Catholic community has to make a meaningful difference in society. Wonders

happen daily at ShareLife agencies, as troubled, needy and vulnerable people in our midst receive effective, compassionate care. This year, make a contribution to the ShareLife campaign to assist over 225,000 people in need.

"It's very appropriate that ShareLife should be emphasized during Lent, a time when we think of what's most important in our lives. Action in the service of others is at the very heart of it, and that's the point of *Share Life*; it's really to Share Life with others."

*Most Rev. Thomas Collins, Archbishop of Toronto*

### Our 2009 ShareLife Committee

Helen Hargreaves	Jim Chisholm
Sylvia Jackson	Bernie Collins
Ray Cyr	Rosemary MacLellan

***Our Goal this year is \$145,000***  
***ShareLife Sunday is March 29<sup>th</sup>***  
***With your help, we can work WONDERS!***

### MINISTERS OF COMMUNION



Would Ministers of Communion at Lenten masses strive to be observant and assist with communion either administering the Body of Christ or the Blood of Christ? We will presume larger crowds at the Lenten weekday masses and will presume to need more ministers. **Thank you.**

### CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE



**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER:** Please join us in prayer on **Friday, March 6, 2009 at 2:00 p.m.** at Trinity Anglican Church, 24 Collier Street and learn more about Papua New Guinea and its unique culture & heritage. If transportation is needed, please call Anita at 737-1663.

**PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST:** On **Sunday, March 1st, 1:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.** All parishioners are welcome to attend in the parish hall.

### LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY 2009

**Saturday, April 18<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.** at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre, 255 Front St. West, North Building. A bus is running from St. Joseph's High School. The cost is \$40.00 per person which includes your admission into the rally. Please call Yvonne Hargreaves at 739-1307 or Pat Fram at 726-3442. Limited space is available. See bulletin board for further info. or visit [www.lift-jesus-higher-rally.org](http://www.lift-jesus-higher-rally.org)

### HOLY SPIRIT PARISH GALA

**In Appreciation** It was a truly encouraging thing to see so many St. Mary's parishioners at the Holy Spirit Gala. Thank you to all who are taking interest and supporting our neighbours to the southwest.

### GRADE 2 AND GRADE 8 LETTERS



This past week, our students in grade two and in grade eight received letters regarding first communion or confirmation, depending on their grade level. If your child has not brought the letter home, it is also available on our church website. We encourage families to be reasonably prompt in registering their children so that we can be proactive in registration. If you have in fact already enrolled your child for first communion, there is no need to repeat the process.

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS DURING LENT



Once again this year we will be praying the Stations of the Cross on Friday evenings after the 7:00 p.m. mass. There are lots of good times available for parish organizations or schools to lead the stations. Please call the parish office.

### RITE OF ELECTION



Each year the regional bishop invites those adults considering baptism to publicly witness to that desire, through the Rite of Election. Bishop Hunt will celebrate the Rite of Election with four of our seventeen presently in R.C.I.A. this Sunday evening at St. John Vianney.

### EXAMINATION OF CONSCIENCE WITH ST. PAUL

Part of our Lenten observance is intimately entwined with Reconciliation. Throughout Lent we will have quotations from St. Paul which should help us to prepare for reconciliation on March 31st when we have our communal celebration, or at any of the regularly scheduled times.

*"Once you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord; walk as children of light (for the fruit of light is found in all that is good and right and true), and try to learn what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. For it is a shame even to speak of the things that they do in secret; but when anything is exposed by the light it becomes visible, for anything that becomes visible is light. Therefore, it is said, "Awake, O sleeper, and arrive from the dead, and Christ shall give you light."*

### LAY PEOPLE CALLED TO MISSION

On **March 20th and 21st** Scarborough Foreign Missions will hold a retreat for lay people considering working in the mission fields around the world. The cost is \$50 which the parish will be happy to pay. If you wish more information please phone 416-261-7135 ext. 265 or email [Imo@scarboromissions.ca](mailto:Imo@scarboromissions.ca).

### LAST CALL!!!



Marriage Preparation begins this coming week. If you have not registered please do so on Monday. Do not miss out and in consequence have to travel some distance for preparation. Arrangements can be made by calling Susan in the office.