

# Mass Intentions



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| Monday, March 23rd<br>7:00 p.m. | 12:10 p.m. † John Shanks<br>† Giovanni Caracci  |
| Tuesday, March 24th             | 12:10 p.m. † Francoise & Jacqueline Venchiarutti  |
| Wednesday, March 25th           | 10:30 a.m. Victoria Village, 78 Ross Street<br>12:10 p.m. † Patricia Bourque<br>7:00 p.m. † Regina & Frank Melady |
| Thursday, March 26th            | 12:10 p.m. † Brian Griffiths  |
| Friday, March 27th              | 12:10 p.m. † Michael Light<br>7:00 p.m. † Joan Lavis<br>Followed by Stations of the Cross                         |
| Saturday, March 28th            | 9:00 a.m. † Joe Cancade   |

## SISTER MARJORIE CASEY UPDATE



Sister Marjorie, this past week, began chemo therapy. Luckily, she can do this at Renfrew and therefore can stay at Pembroke. This process will be about two months, followed by more medical treatment. Anyone wishing to send their best wishes to Sister Marjorie can do so by post at the following address: Sister Marjorie Casey c/o SHALOM RESIDENCE, 600 Cecilia Street, Pembroke, Ontario K9A 7Z3

## BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP



Our next support group for those who are grieving the loss of a loved one will begin soon. The group will run for eight weeks. The purpose of the group is to provide a safe environment where the grieving person will understand the grieving process and develop skills necessary to rebuild a meaningful and productive life. Please call the parish office and a member of the bereavement committee will call you back with further details.

## LOST AND FOUND

Winter is almost over and all those mitts, hats and gloves will be in the hall this coming week so you can have a look at them. They will be sent on to some worthy cause at the end of this coming week if not claimed. Thank you!

## NEW BEGINNINGS

A support group for separated, divorced and widowed persons. Join us **every 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday** of each month. The next meeting is on **Tuesday, March 24th from 7 – 9:00 p.m. in room 1**. For further information call Susan Wicks at 734-7639.

## You can work **WONDERS!**

“Our society is presently going through significant financial and economic turbulence, with grave social consequences. In our own diocese, people are losing their jobs.



With the pressure arising from economic hard times, new problems are created in families and in the wider society, and existing ones are made worse. Our agencies within Catholic Charities, experience increased demands for their services, and this is true as well of other religious and secular social agencies.

Already domestic violence is a significant issue, and the increased tensions arising from financial anxieties can only make it worse. The problems of poverty and homelessness were with us before the economic downturn, and we may expect that they will become even more serious. Now is the time when even greater generosity is needed from all of us. ***Urge everyone to contribute more generously than ever to ShareLife.***”

*Most Rev. Thomas Collins, Archbishop of Toronto*

**Next Sunday, March 29th, is  
ShareLife Sunday.**

**Please give generously.  
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### LECTIO DIVINA

In the season of Lent, we will be celebrating Lectio Divina on **March 24th, and 31st from 10:45 to 11:45 a.m. in the chapel.**



Lectio is the practise of shared reflection on the scriptures in a prayerful format. An invitation is extended to all parishioners who are able to participate in Lectio Divina.

### MINISTRY WITH MATURING ADULTS

**An Opportunity:** Live performance of "The Sound of Music" at the Princess of Wales theatre in Toronto. Once again, Lena Orlando has taken the initiative in arranging this outing.

**Date:** Wednesday, May 13th, 2009

**Cost:** \$149.00 per person. This includes bus fare, noon buffet at The Old Mill Restaurant, show, tax and gratuities.

**Registration:** Due Friday, April 17th. Registration forms available on the bulletin board in the church foyer. This is popular outing. To avoid disappointment, register as soon as possible.



### T-SHIRT DRIVE



The Youth Council for St. Mary's Parish is challenging all youth to give up their favoured T-shirt for Lent. YM4SMP is running a T-shirt drive until April 12. The T-shirts will be going to Canadian Food for

Children. Please bring your clean T-shirts to St. Mary's Hall before each mass. Members of Youth Council will collect and sort your donated T-Shirts. For any further questions please Robin Parkes at ym4smp@gmail.com or call the parish office at 728-2985.

### FAIR TRADE COFFEE

We will sell fair trade coffee on March 28/29 to avoid Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday. We sell fair trade coffee in solidarity with workers in the third world.



### LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY 2009

**Saturday, April 18<sup>th</sup> - 8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.** at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre. A bus is running from St. Joseph's High School. Cost: \$40.00/person, this includes admission. Please call Yvonne @ 728-8236 or Pat @ 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).

### A REFLECTION ON ST. PAUL IN PREPARATION FOR RECONCILIATION

*Colossians 3: 12-17 "As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you so you also must forgive. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him."*

### PARISH LENTEN RECONCILIATION

*There will be a celebration of reconciliation on Tuesday, March 31st at 7:00 p.m. A number of visiting priests will be available. There will be other times in Holy Week available, though we encourage you to make every good effort to attend this service.*

### L'ARCHE MEETING



Please join us for our next meetings on **Saturday, March 21st and Tuesday, April 21st at 7:00 pm**, 80 Bell Farm Road. Everyone is welcome - invite your friends.

### WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER



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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 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.