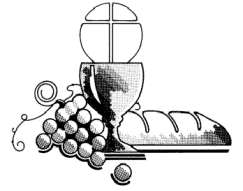


Mass Intentions

Monday, January 25th	12:10 p.m.	† Bela Szlimak
Tuesday, January 26th	12:10 p.m.	† James and Connor Thomson
Wednesday, January 27th	10:30 a.m.	Victoria Village, 78 Ross St.
	7:00 p.m.	† Michael Collins
Thursday, January 28th	12:10 p.m.	† Kalli and Marie Marr
Friday, January 29th	12:10 p.m.	† Cecil and Mary Doolan
Saturday, January 30th	9:00 a.m.	† Terese Kewin



INCOME TAX RECEIPTS

Income tax receipts are available today after Mass in the hall. Please follow the signs on the walls to the pile where you will find your tax receipt. Please maintain the elastic band on the bundle so they do not get out of order.

Thank you to everyone for their tremendous support of our parish.

SOCIAL LIFE - POT LUCK MEETING



The parish is planning a Pot Luck for **Saturday, February 13th**. Planning for this event will be on Tuesday, January 26th at 7:00 p.m. in the parish hall. If you can't make the meeting but would like to be part of this special event, please contact Pat Fram at 726-3442.

ALTAR SERVERS SKATING AND HOCKEY PARTY



Saturday, January 30th, from 7 to 8:00 p.m. at National Training Rinks (NTR) on Big Bay Point Road. Pizza and pop to follow. All family members also invited to skate. One parent should attend. If any child is coming without a parent, please let Rita Cyr know that. Please sign up in the sacristy and indicate the number for each family attending. Call Rita Cyr if you have any questions at 721-5151.

WHO CAN RECEIVE THE BLOOD OF CHRIST AT MASS?



The question has been raised a number of times since Christmas about who can receive the blood of Christ at the 5:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m. Mass. The crux of the question is, "how old do you have to be?" The simple answer is you need to be of First Communion age. There is absolutely no restriction for children to receive from the cup. The first point is that it is hardly breaching Provincial law with the amount of alcohol that is consumed during the communion rite and secondly, this would be something that parents need to inform their children of well so they undertake it properly.

ST. MARY'S RESPONSE TO HAITI

Special Collection The challenge was placed before you last week to match the parish's \$10K being directed to Haiti. We encourage anyone who is responding if they do not do so this week during the second collection, to do so as promptly as possible.

Thank you to everyone who has shown interest and enthusiasm in this undertaking.

PRAYER SERVICE FOR VICTIMS OF HAITIAN EARTHQUAKE



All are welcome to participate in a special prayer service for victims of the devastating earthquake in Haiti. The service will take place at St. Paul's Basilica (83 Power St.) in downtown Toronto on **Monday, February 1 at 7:30 p.m.**

Representatives from faith communities throughout the GTA including Archbishop Thomas Collins will join together in prayer as we remember all those impacted by the January 12 earthquake. For info. visit www.archtoronto.org

HOLY SPIRIT PARISH ST. VALENTINE'S DANCE – FEBRUARY 6TH TICKETS ON SALE AFTER MASS TODAY



Holy Spirit Parish is having their 6th annual St. Valentine's Dinner and Dance on **Saturday, February 6th** here at St. Mary's in our parish hall. Cocktails at 6:30 p.m. with dinner served at 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$50 with a tax receipt. To reserve your tickets please call Maggie Lukan at 733-0673 or Esther Drobot at 733-0254. Tickets will also be on sale here after all masses the weekend of January 23rd and 24th. Last year's dance sold out very fast so get your tickets early!
Thank you for your support!

NEW PARISHIONERS RECEPTION

Thank you!

What a great event once again our new parishioner's reception was. Much credit to our social life committee and to Suzanne Deschenes who spear headed this effort. Let us not underestimate the value of this simple gesture of welcoming to give new people a sense of participation in the life of our parish.

CATHOLIC EDUCATION

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The Spirit is Alive

On February 8, from 6-9 pm, St. Margaret's CWL is hosting a Panel Discussion on Catholic Education at St. Margaret's Church, 589 Hugel Avenue, Midland. The intent of this forum is to spark constructive discussion about, and renewed commitment to, strengthening the church/school/community bond. Any interested party or person is invited to attend and participate. If you would like to attend please contact Angela Monaghan at 705-549-7708 or endbullyingnow@gmail.com.

FIRST COMMUNION LETTERS



Letters have been sent home with grades two to four in the six schools of the parish regarding First Communion. If you attend St. Mary's but your children go to school outside the parish boundaries, or to a non-Catholic school, please be sure to pick up the enrolment form and information after Sunday Mass at your earliest convenience. We encourage you to take notice of the First Reconciliation Parent Meeting in this bulletin.

NEW BEGINNINGS

A support group for separated, divorced and widowed persons. Join us every 4th Tuesday of each month. The next meeting is on Tuesday, January 26th at 7:30 p.m. in Room 1 from 7 - 9:00 p.m. For further information call Susan Wicks at 734-7639.

RETRouvaille WEEKEND

The Retrouvaille movement has been part of the life of the church for some thirty years. It assists married couples who have met a crisis in their relationship. The weekends take the form of a retreat. The structure is centered around couples who have met the challenges of working through conflict. The next Toronto Retrouvaille weekend is on Friday, January 29th-31st. For further info. visit www.torontoretrouvaille.org.

FIRST RECONCILIATION PARENT MEETING

★ FIRST CONFESSIONS ★

We remind all parents of students in grade two and above there is a parent's First Reconciliation meeting on Wednesday, January 27th. We invite moms and dads to come out to Mass. The meeting will begin immediately after Mass at 7:30 p.m. It is vital that parents strive to attend because much information regarding confession will be given out at this time. For purposes of arranging babysitting it is safe to assume you will be on the road by 8:30 p.m.

MINISTRY WITH MATURING ADULTS



Winter Interlude: General gathering on Thursday, January 28 (2:00 - 4:00 p.m.) - cards, board games, conversation, films, line-dancing! Come, bring a friend! You are invited to contribute some cookies for refreshments.

Life Story Writing Programme: Registrations are due on Monday, January 25th. First session is Wednesday, January 27th at 1:00 p.m. in room 1.

Invitations to Share Our Celebration of Cultures: Brochures will be handed out this weekend to explain this event and to invite contributions for the programme, the food and the display of memorabilia. *Be sure to get one!*

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER



Tuesday, February 2nd is the World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life.

In the Archdiocese of Toronto we are blessed to have living and serving among us more than 1,100 religious men and women and of over 100 different religious congregations.

There will be a special mass next Sunday, January 31st at 3:00 p.m. at St. Paul's Basilica in celebration of the vocation and witness of these special men and women religious who are such a vital and important part of the life and ministry of the Church in our Archdiocese. All are welcome to attend.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE



This year marks the 60th Anniversary of the Northern Region CWL. Please join us as we celebrate this milestone at the Northern Region Winter Social on Sunday, January 31 at 2:00 p.m. at Holy Martyrs of Japan in Bradford. To carpool or for further information please call Anita at 737-1663.