

# FIFTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME - February 4th, 2018

## MASS INTENTIONS

Wednesday 9:15 am	February 7th For the Parish Community
Thursday 6:30 pm 7:00 pm	February 8th Adoration For the Parish Community
Friday 9:15 am	February 9th For the Parish Community
Saturday 5:00 pm	February 10th † Marjorie Joan Namiesniowski by Kristina Namiesniowski
Sunday 9:00 am 11:00 am	February 11th For the Parish Community For the Parish Community



## Pastor's Message

### "Another start"

*"Through the Lord's mercies we are not consumed, because His compassions fail not. They are new every morning; great is Your faithfulness". (Lamentations 3:22-23)*

We are welcome to this new month of February 2018. We need to renew ourselves with the resolutions taken in the new year; feel sorry for the broken promises, undone commitments and intentions to do acts of charity and forgiveness; cause the intensive days of religious renewal 'the lent' is to begin in this month. Let us not dilute the intensity of lent to mere yoga time or health conscious practices for the bodily wellbeing. But rather to turn to the Lord and grow in wisdom and virtues.

Our parish community has taken up new deliberations to be fulfilled through corresponding activities, like the Feb. 10<sup>th</sup> Valentine Family Night, organized by the Knights of Columbus, the First Communion Children's enrolment and preparation organized by the Sacramental Team and the Teachers of different schools; or again the help raised and organized by volunteers for the Refugees; or the Lenten soup organized by the CWL, are the ones that pull us in to a joint activity and shuns away the melancholic loneliness. Being static with no activities and improvement is to be dead.

*"Put the mistakes away and start anew says the Lord, I give you a fresh start".* A new month, Father, to love and be loved, to listen and be heard, to find and seek. For this, we are grateful.

God Bless

Fr. Eslin Pereira, CMF

**LENTEN SOUP - February 18th, after 11:00 am Mass**

The CWL will be hosting a Parish Lenten Soup for Development and Peace in the Parish Hall. Your participation and generous support will be greatly appreciated. *(A sign-up sheet will be in the foyer for those wishing to bring soup)*

### YOUR OFFERINGS:

Regular Collection for Jan 27-28    **\$2,184.50**  
*Thank you for your generosity and support*

Cash counters for February 11th  
Tom Conklin & Levert Dorval



**THE NEXT BAPTISMAL PREPARATION** will be held on **Thursday April 26th** at 7:30 pm and **baptism** will be held on **Sunday, April 29th** at 11:00 am.

Parents, we encourage you to attend Mass on Sunday and meet Fr. Pereira prior to registering your child for baptism. Please call our parish office, at 613-738-1943, for more information or to register for the next Baptismal Preparation.

### BAPTISMS

*Congratulations* to the families whose children were baptized on January 28th: **Nina Alexis Louks**, daughter of Luke Louks and Nguevese Natasha Ashwe, and **Tsoanelo Botle Esther Thahe**, daughter of Tlotliso Thahe and Thato Mpakanyane.

Remember in your prayers all who are in need of our prayers that God's healing and comforting presence may be with them, especially:



*Mary Dawn Johnston, Carmen Cinanni, Larry Corrigan, Janet and Peter Perry.*

Please contact the parish office to inform us of those who are ill and in need of God's healing and comfort. Renewal of prayers for the sick is available by contacting Pat Gagne (613-523-0769)

**ST. JOE'S WOMEN'S CENTRE** is in need of toiletries for the vulnerable women and children who come to this daytime shelter. If you wish to help, please drop off a ziplock bag containing your donations at the back of the church. God Bless.

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## *Children's Liturgy Schedule*



February 11th - Rosy Burns  
February 18th - Elijah Dorval  
February 25<sup>th</sup> - Liane de Leon

**A REMINDER TO ALL THE PARENTS** that every first Sunday of the month there will be a family Mass at 11:00 am and the choir will be led by the youth and children of the parish. If you are interested in joining, contact Lisa Uchelimafor at [asil4.eva@gmail.com](mailto:asil4.eva@gmail.com). There will be a practice on Sunday mornings prior to the family mass.

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**RECONCILIATION DATE** for students making their First Communion or Confirmation this year:

St. Bernard School - Wednesday, February 28th  
7:00 pm in the Church

St. Thomas More School - Wednesday, March 7<sup>th</sup>  
7:00 pm in the church

St. Marguerite d'Youville School, Wednesday,  
March 21st, 10:00 am at the school



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**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS VALENTINE FAMILY NITE** - Saturday, February 10<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 to 10:00 pm

Highlights of the evening: games for kids; singing; dancing; snacks; contribute to pot luck; bring your favorite wine.

This is an opportunity to come out as a family, play games, sing, dance and just enjoy a family evening.

Cost of tickets: \$5. Per person; \$10 for family.

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**REFUGEE PROGRAM** - The Syrian Family that St. Bernard Parish will be sponsoring is expected to arrive sometime in February.

We are looking for parishioners that can help with the relocation process:

**Finding a residence for them for March 1<sup>st</sup> is the main priority;**

Someone who can act as an interpreter;

**There is a sign-up sheet at the back of the church where you can indicate what kind of help you would be willing to give over the next year.**

Please indicate your name, phone number and the type of help.

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## **CHURCH ENVELOPES 2018**

There are still envelopes for the 2018 year that have not been picked up.

If you don't have a box, please ask the office for one. Call 613-738-1943

*Once again, we thank you for your cooperation and your generosity.*

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**TAX RECEIPTS FOR 2017 ARE AVAILABLE AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH**

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## **FEBRUARY 18<sup>TH</sup> SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR DIOCESAN & MISSIONARY WORKS:**

Throughout the years the proceeds from the Diocesan & Missionary Works collection have enabled the Archdiocese to extend a helping hand to our brothers and sisters in need as a result of natural disasters such as the famine in Africa, the earthquake in Haiti and the forest fires in Alberta. The Archdiocese has also contributed financially to other worthwhile causes such as the CHEO Foundation, Kateri Native Ministry, several Pro-Life organizations and others.

At this time, this special collection has become even more important. In recent years, the Canadian dioceses in the South have undertaken to help the dioceses in Northern Canada financially in carrying out their pastoral work. The Archdiocese of Ottawa has been twinned with the dioceses of Hearst and Moosonee. It has become quite urgent to assist these 'missionary dioceses' which we are called to draw near to our hearts.

Special envelopes for this purpose are in the pews for this special collection (as well as in the Church envelope boxes).

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## **PRAYING FOR AN END TO 'THE CULTURE OF DEATH'**

The next Mass on our Pilgrimage Journey to pray for the establishment of a Pro-Life Centre in Ottawa takes place on **Saturday February 24<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am at Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish, 320 Olmstead Street, Vanier.**

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**DONATIONS BY CREDIT CARD OR INTERAC** to make weekly, monthly, or one time donations: Visit, [saintbernardparish.com](http://saintbernardparish.com), click on Canada Helps to give. Canada Helps will instantly issue you a tax receipt and will forward your donation into our parish account.

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**CRA CHARITY NUMBER** - Our parish is registered with CRA as: PAROISSE ST BERNARD 128967353RR0020. This number is needed to setup payroll charity giving.

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*Remember that the Christian life is one of action, not of speech and daydream. Let there be few words and many deeds, and let them be done well.*

St. Vincent