

# St. Maurice

January 29, 2012  
4th Sunday of Ordinary Time

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## *An invitation -*

We will celebrate a memorial Mass for the deceased of the parish 2011 on Tuesday, February 7 at 7:00 pm. This will be a votive Mass with special memorial readings, followed by the regular Holy Hour. We have invited the families of the deceased to attend and we extend an invitation to all parishioners to join this special Mass and to support our families.

(In the future we hope to make this an annual Mass in November; the month of All Souls).

## *Praying For Those Who Have Died-*

Death has been conquered by Jesus Christ, through his own sacrificial death, offered with unspeakable love for our redemption. Death is now the passage to an amazing life that he himself has thus described to us: "Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, nor is it in the mind of man to imagine, what God has prepared for those who love him." (1 Cor 2:9).

It is of the greatest importance to pray for the souls of our loved ones. For we are all sinners and most of us still need purification after our death. St. Catherine of Genoa, a mystic who wrote a treatise on purgatory, says that when a soul sees the beauty and perfection of God, it casts itself into purgatory rather than find itself stained in the presence of the Divine Majesty. The soul accepts the place of purification as though it were a mercy.

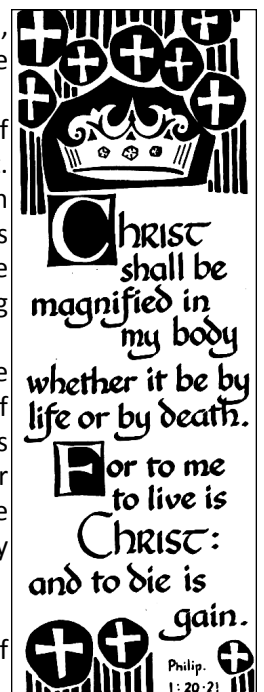
The holy souls in purgatory are saved and can never be lost. They have been judged worthy of everlasting happiness and they are keenly aware of this. They can no longer be tempted against God or his law. This is a great consolation and makes them inexpressibly happy even in their suffering - which arises chiefly from the realization that they are delayed for a time from the happiness of heaven, through their own fault.

Christ wants to take his servants and friends into everlasting happiness as quickly as possible. He wants them to be united with himself as soon as they are cleansed from all stain of sin. He says, "Father, I want those you have given me to be with me where I am..." (John 17:24), and "All that the Father gives to me shall come to me, and he who comes to me I will not turn away." (John 6:37).

The Church intercedes powerfully that the souls of our loved ones join the community of heaven's citizens as speedily as possible. The Church tells us that we are the mystical body of Christ. We are urged to pray for our deceased brethren, in virtue of the supernatural bond which unites in Jesus all those in heaven, in purgatory and on earth. It is our duty in charity to relieve our neighbor's needs as if they were our own. It is a great charity to pray for the dead, both those we knew and those we didn't; for those who may have died unprepared and for persons who may not have believing friends or relatives to pray for them.

Masses offered for the dead are an ancient practice in the Church, as recorded already in the fifth century. In the Mass, the priest offers officially to God the ransom for souls, that is, the blood of the Savior. And Christ himself, under the elements of bread and wine - which recall to the Father his sacrifice on Golgotha - prays God to apply to these souls the atoning value of his sacrifice of love for us. "The Son of man came... to give his life as a ransom for many." (Mark 10:45). Christ rose from the dead, and promised us that we, too, will rise again. His words to us are a great comfort: "It is my Father's will that whoever sees the Son and believes in him should have eternal life, and that I should raise that person up on the last day." (John 6:40)

While the Church traditionally emphasizes the month of November as a special time of praying for the dead, she urges us to pray for them at all times.



- Catherine Doherty (1896-1985, foundress of Madonna House)

# ST. MAURICE

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## **Office Hours**

Monday Closed  
Tuesday to Thursday 9:30 am - 12:30 pm  
1:00 pm - 4:00 pm  
Friday 9:30 am - 12:30 pm  
1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

## **SACRAMENTS**

### **Eucharist**

Tuesday 7:00 pm  
Wed, Thur, Fri 9:00 am  
First Saturday of each month 9:00 am  
Saturday 5:00 pm  
Sunday 9:00 am, 11:00 am, 7:30 pm  
Exposition/Adoration Chapel 24 hours

### **Pastoral Care**

Parish team members are available to visit during the week. Please contact the parish if you know of parishioners in the hospital, in seniors' residences, or shut-in at home who would like to receive Holy Communion.

### **Baptism**

Please call Claire at parish office a minimum of two months prior to baptism in order to enroll in our baptism preparation

### **Confession**

Tuesday 6:30pm-6:55pm & 7:40pm-8:15pm  
Saturday 4:00pm - 4:55pm

### **Matrimony**

For information, please call the parish office a minimum of eight months prior to the proposed wedding date.

### **Anointing of the Sick**

If you wish to receive the Anointing of the Sick or Holy Communion at your home, please call the parish office.

## **NEW PARISHIONERS**

**A warm welcome to  
new parishioners!**

Please call Claire at 613.224.1892  
to register.

**REGISTERED CHARITY #**  
BN 12896-7353-RR0004

Dear Parish family,

*Frs. Jim, Allan and I will be away from Monday through Friday (January 30 - February 3).*

*Every six years, the Companions of the Cross gather together for a General Assembly. At this assembly, we will discuss proposals for change to our Constitutions and Rules, as well as to vote for a Moderator and the four executive council members. We will be at the Nav Can centre in Cornwall. Please keep us in your prayers as we open ourselves to what the Holy Spirit would like to say and do within our hearts and lives. I will be back for our first Saturday 9am Mass on February 4.*

*May God continue to guide your thoughts and actions as you put into practice the Eucharist we receive. Jesus be praised for ever and ever!*

*- Father Tim*

### Please Note

The weekday Mass schedule will proceed as normal  
with the following exceptions:

**Tuesday, January 31st, Confession and Holy Hour are cancelled.**  
**Friday, February 3, Benediction is cancelled.**

### Companions of the Cross

The General Assembly of the Companions of the Cross will take place this year from Jan 30th to Feb 3rd. During this time of prayer and reflection a Moderator and General council will be elected. This General Assembly takes place every six years.

On Feb 3rd, upon their return, the Lay Associates of the Companions of the Cross are hosting a Holy Hour with Praise and Worship, Eucharistic Adoration, and Benediction. During this time, we will meet the newly elected council for the first time and pray for all our priests. At the conclusion, a social will be held in the basement.

This celebration will be held at Blessed Sacrament Church, 194 Fourth Ave, Feb 3rd at 7pm. Let us join in prayer for God's will to be done as we eagerly await the news!

Everyone is welcome.

### Please Pray for the Sick of Our Parish

Carlo Petrocco,  
Andy Nolan,

Catherine Henry and  
Bob Jennings

### Mass Intentions

#### **Tuesday, January 31**

**7:00 pm**

For the deceased members of the Hearty family by David and Veronica Mullen  
For the repose of the soul of Father John McElligott by the Yeldon family

#### **Wednesday, February 1**

**9:00 am**

In thanksgiving for Special Intentions

For the repose of the souls of Blanche and Edward Mau by Jean and Allan Mau

#### **Thursday, February 2**

**9:00 am**

For the repose of the soul of Ferd Ortiz by Owen and Mechthilde Dowd

For the repose of the soul of Mike Lachowich by Danuta Cromwell

#### **Friday, February 3**

**9:00 am**

For the repose of the soul of Wladyslaw Korczynski by Irena Korczynski

For the repose of the soul of Ferd Ortiz by Florence Charette

#### **Saturday, February 4**

**9:00 am**

For the repose of the soul of Evelyn Kennedy by her family

**5:00 pm**

For the repose of the soul of George Henry by Angelina Clemont

For the repose of the soul of Donna Larkin by the Dineen family

#### **Sunday, February 5**

**9:00 am**

For the repose of the soul of Freda Lamontagne by Dennis and Shirley Lamontagne

For the deceased members of the Mullen family by David and Veronica Mullen

**11:00 am**

For the intentions of Barbara Nolan and Don Lowe by the Pirrone family

For the repose of the soul of Rita Crawford by Eleanor Boissonneault

**7:30 pm**

For the intentions of the parishioners of St. Maurice Parish

# Parish and Community Announcements

## Catholicism by Father Robert Barron

*Parish Formation: A Journey to the Heart of Faith*

As a parish, we have, in the past, embarked upon journeys of formation in our faith and so, we have decided that it is time again to offer a course in discovering the mystery and the full meaning of our faith.

This **ten-week program** will be offered starting **Thursday, January 26**, and will run until Thursday, March 29th. Everyone is welcome, and there is no charge.

**When:** Thursday nights, starting January 26th

**Time:** 6:45 to 8:45 pm

**Where:** In the church (with small reception following)

**Cost:** FREE!

**Who:** YOU! And any friends you wish to bring along (if you miss a session, it does not matter.

Each session is filled with new themes and ideas).

[www.CatholicismSeries.com](http://www.CatholicismSeries.com)

## St. Maurice ROCK Youth Ministry

**An Invitation to:**

Game Night!!!

**What:** Get to know each other, hang out and have fun! We will play cool games and team building. Hope we can all get together this Friday! You are welcome to invite other friends too!

**When:** February 3rd, 2012 @ 7pm - 9pm

**Who:** Junior Youth & Senior Youth

**Where:** Atrium & Third Floor

Our Mission Statement:

*"Guided by the Holy Spirit our Youth Ministry exists to walk with the youth in their faith, to care for each other while we reach out to other youth and offer ourselves in service to Christ."*

*\*walk-discipleship \*care-fellowship \*reach-evangelism*

*\*offer-worship \*service-ministry*

We every Friday meet @ 7-9pm

Junior Youth Grade 5 & 6 @ upper room 3rd floor

Senior Youth Grade 7- 12 @ atrium

Contact Laverne Lat@ 613.228.0610 or

e-mail: [lavernelat@yahoo.ca](mailto:lavernelat@yahoo.ca)

## CC Newsletters

Please pick up your Special Memorial Issue of the Companions of the Cross newsletter, available on the mezzanine and by the doors of the church.

## Maryvale Gala

Maryvale Academy of Ottawa is hosting its 6th annual fundraising dinner gala under a St. Valentine's theme entitled "Love Endures Forever" on Saturday, February 4, 2012 at the Hellenic Centre (1315 Prince of Wales Dr.) with live and silent auction, 50/50 draw, music and dancing. Cocktails and Silent Auction begin at 6 pm, Dinner at 6:30 pm. Tickets are \$75 per person (\$40 tax receipt available). For more info or tickets, please contact Maryvale Academy at (613) 321-2186 or visit [www.maryvaleacademy.ca](http://www.maryvaleacademy.ca).

## Sandwiches for Shepherds of Good Hope

St. Maurice CWL will once again collect sandwiches (no lettuce please) during the winter months. Donations may be dropped off at 23 Gary Ave. on Thursdays or before 8:30am Friday morning, commencing Nov. 18/11 until the end of March/12. For more info contact Bobbie Kolody (613) 226-7188.

## Thank you from SVDP

Thank you to all who sponsored Christmas Hampers for the families in need in our parish. Through your generosity we were able to provide hampers and other provisions to all who called seeking assistance.

## Words Of Encouragement To Parents From Our Holy Father



"Educating is very demanding, sometimes it is quite hard on our always limited human capacities. But educating becomes a marvellous mission if it is done in collaboration with God, who is the first and true educator of every man... the Word of God and the sacraments are the springs of salvation. Adults are the first ones who need to nourish themselves from these sources so that they can guide the younger people in their growth. The parents have to give much, but to be able to give they also for their part have to receive, otherwise they will be emptied, they will run out. The parents are not the springs, as we priests are not the springs either: We are rather like channels through which the lifeblood of God's love must pass. If we stop receiving from the ultimate source, we too will first of all feel the negative effects and we will no longer be able to educate others."

Pope Benedict XVI, Homily for the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, 2012

## A Resource To Help Parents Respond To The Call

Preparing the Sunday Gospel as a family before heading off to Mass can be rich way for both parents and children to share their faith and be nourished by God's Word both in their home and at Mass. OUR SABBATH SCRIPTURE BOOK is a resource designed to help families do just that. Follow the Pauline family with a story for each week of the Liturgical Year, as they prepare for the Sunday Gospel in a fun, creative, and often dramatic way. By using this simple tool, you and your family will learn how to incorporate the Gospel into your daily life by bringing it down to an easily understandable level. Our Sabbath Scripture Book is available at:

[www.familyformation.net/ForFamiliesAdditionalTeachingTools.asp](http://www.familyformation.net/ForFamiliesAdditionalTeachingTools.asp)

If you would like more information, or would like to see a copy, please contact Dale Balkovec in the Family Formation office: 613-228-0610 or [familyformation@rogers.com](mailto:familyformation@rogers.com)

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