

January 14, 2018

The Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, Jan 13	5:00 p.m.	For the Intentions of Mariana Camargo for her 15 th Birthday by the Family
Sunday, Jan 14	9:00 a.m.	Intentions of the Parishioners
	11:00 a.m.	Stephanie Eichinger by her Daughter Irmgard Oberndorfinger
Tuesday, Jan 16	9:00 a.m.	Margaret McGee by her Sister Rose
Wednesday, Jan 17	9:00 a.m.	St. Anthony, Abbot Dorina Pennington by Friends
Thursday, Jan 18	9:00 a.m.	For the Intentions of Michelle & Michael Giangaspero by the Thibault Family
Friday, Jan 19	9:00 a.m.	The Souls in Purgatory by Doug Kennedy
Saturday, Jan 20	5:00 p.m.	Gerry Coss by his Daughter Patricia
Sunday, Jan 21	9:00 a.m.	Gaetano Martinez by the Thomas Family
	11:00 a.m.	Intentions of the Parishioners

Readings for Next Sunday, January 21, 2018

Jonah 3.1-5, 10 Ps 25.4-5a, 6+7b, 8-9 1 Corinthians 7.29-31 Mark 1.14-20

Offerings made in support of the Parish for the weekend of December 24 amounted to \$2,179.23

Christmas offerings made in support of the Parish amounted to \$5,291.50

Offerings made in support of the Parish for the weekend of December 31 amounted to \$2,486.05.

New Years offerings made in support of the parish amounted to \$1,208.00

Offerings made in support of the Parish for the weekend of January 7 amounted to \$1,924.75.

The **Helping Others** collection last weekend amounted to \$684.80

Thank you for your continued support.



Let Us Pray for Those Who Are Sick

Ruth Braganza, Nancy Brown, Christine Deery, Gordon Deery, Jennifer Lacroix, Patricia Lacroix, Andrea MacDonald, Carmine Mattia, Dominique Neron, Sally Palka, Franca Parise, Perri Poole, Lynn Shepherd, Fr. Joseph Sullivan, Norman Thomas.

Eucharistic Adoration Chapel Adorers Needed

Would you be available for one hour a week to visit with Jesus in our Chapel, face to face? **Please sign up at the back of the church or in the chapel.**



Flowers for Jesus

If you would like to support the parish by providing flowers for a special feast day or perhaps in memory of a loved one, please contact the parish office.

For Reflections by Scott Hahn please visit www.stpaulcenter.com/reflections

A Message From; The SJF Parish Vitality Team

When we love someone, we want them to grow. When someone loves their parish, when they love Jesus, it is only natural that they want to see their parish grow. The same Holy Spirit who inspired the disciples to leave the upper room drives the Church to grow today. The mission is the same: to invite all members of our human family to encounter Jesus. Locally, in the past 5 years, Bishop Thomas Dowd has intentionally invited the Catholics of Montreal to begin this journey to surpass being a maintenance Church, and to become fully alive in Christ. Parish Vitality focuses on a parish's growth and it's fulfilling of Christ's mission for His Church.

Here at St. John Fisher, we could ask ourselves: Are we growing? Is St. John Fisher Parish the best version of itself as it exists today? Drawn by this renewed call for growth and inspired by the Holy Spirit, a few parishioners along with the previous pastor started reading a book called "Divine Renovation: From a Maintenance to a Missional Parish" by Fr James Mallon. The book details the journey of an ordinary parish in Halifax, NS who gradually over the last 8 years has undertaken a renewal. They have experienced amazing fruit and people in the surrounding neighborhoods and community are encountering Jesus. The goal of this team at St John Fisher is to learn about the approaches and values of healthy growing churches, to reflect on the realities of our own parish, and to initiate a prayerful discernment of God's will for St John Fisher Parish. At the end of this period of discernment, parish members along with Fr. Victor will be better equipped to decide if and what actions we might want to take as a parish in the months and years ahead to allow our community to grow in Christ, and through this growth, to experience increased vitality. We are still working our way through the book, and plan to be finished in April 2018.

We discerned as a group that as we start this new year, it is a good time to begin to take our reading group conversations out of the rectory and into the wider community. This is a conversation for all! All of us who have been a part of the team so far have been enriched and inspired by our conversations about Divine Renovation and the potential future of our parish. We are excited to have conversation with the rest of the parish going forward. What about you? Do you want to see our parish thrive? If you want to see our parish grow, we want to hear from you. Please, reach out to us after Mass today, or any time going forward if you are curious to learn more about the conversations that we have been having during team meetings and to share with us your thoughts and feelings about your dreams or desires for St John Fisher. You can speak with me, Fr. Victor or any of the members on the team: John Casey, Jaclyn Chabot, Katerina Chrobak, Junko Donovan, Alex Reyes, Michele Stocco and Bradley Theriault. Terrel Joseph is acting as a consultant as he is the diocesan Parish



Vitality Consultant being sponsored by The Pillars Trust Fund. If you want a copy of the book, we have one for you! We are all here to work together as the Holy Spirit leads us in helping St John Fisher Parish grow.

Looking forward to hearing from you!

Egon DeRoth

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SJF Parish Vitality Team

P.S. We invite you to check out the links below, for more information about amazing initiatives to inspire us all!

www.divinerenovation.net

www.saintbenedict.ca

www.amazingparish.org

Youth Group Meeting

Youth from grades three and up are invited to our Second Anniversary Youth Group Gathering, Friday, January 19 in the hall from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

2018 Offering Envelopes

The 2018 offering envelopes are placed in alphabetical order on the table at the entrance of the church. Please refrain from taking envelopes other than your own. If you have not used envelopes in the past please fill in the registration form found at the back of the bulletin and place it in the collection basket.

Online Donations

Our Parish offers the option of making regular or occasional donations on-line. For more information please visit www.canadahelps.org. Our website www.sjfp.org has a link to CanadaHelps.org where we are guided through the procedure to make weekly, monthly or one-time donations.



H.O.P.E. Group

All women of the parish are invited to the H.O.P.E. group. Meetings take place on Thursday mornings from 10:00 a.m. -11:30 a.m. in the Beverley room of the Parish hall. Gatherings consist of watching inspirational DVD's and group discussions. Babysitting is provided for the little ones. Coffee, tea and cookies are served.



Diocesan Vocations Office

The Diocesan Vocations Office is offering four informal get-togethers in 2018. The purpose of these "Come and See" Evenings, is to provide fellowship and support for those who are discerning a call to the ministerial priesthood. They will take place at Annunciation Parish in TMR and will last from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., on the following dates, January 20, February 16, March 16 and April 20. For information please contact the Vocations Office at 514-903-6200 or mtlvocations@hotmail.com