

HOLY ROSARY PARISH
TORONTO, ONTARIO
Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

**The Parish Office will be closed on Tuesday,
February 2nd, from 1-4 p.m., for
a professional development session**

HOLY ROSARY NEEDS NEW LECTORS, EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS AND USHERS AT ALL MASSES! Please consider answering the call to serve in these ministries. All current Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers and Ushers and any parishioners interested in volunteering in any of these roles are invited to attend a meeting in the church. The meeting dates are as follows: **Lectors** - February 2 at 7 p.m., **Eucharistic Ministers** - February 8 at 7 p.m., **Ushers** - February 10 at 7 p.m. Please contact Lindsay at 416-923-8471.



TABLE FOR TWO! Enjoy a candlelit dinner for young couples (married or engaged). A night to rekindle, enliven, and celebrate each other! Join us Friday February 12th, 6 p.m.-9 p.m. at St. Patrick's Parish Hall, 139 McCaul Street, Toronto. Tickets are \$40.00 per couple, and are available at Redeemer House (151 McCaul Street) before February 5th. Space is limited! Buy your tickets early. Babysitting available at the event through reservation. Contact Alfredo Delos Santos C.Ss.R. or Fr. Santo Arrigo C.Ss.R. at (416) 593-6520 for more information.



THE MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE this year will be held from Friday, March 12 to Sunday, March 14. Cost: \$250 per couple. Any interested couples can register immediately by phoning the Parish Office.

Baptism Preparation



The next Baptism Preparation class will take place on **Saturday, February 20 (1 to 3 p.m.)**. Parents requesting baptism for their child must be parishioners of Holy Rosary for at least three months and practising their faith. Contact Lindsay at 416-923-8471.

FINAL REMINDER: All Holy Rosary School parents and community members are invited to attend the Parent Council this Monday, January 25 at 6:30 p.m. in the school gym. The main focus of the meeting will be to discuss the joint redevelopment of Holy Rosary Church and the Holy Rosary School property.

Ideas "Ecumenism"

This Sunday begins a week of prayer for Christian unity. Despite an abundance of good will on the part of all, actual unity seems to be more and more remote. In this week's IDEAS, Father Callam examines some of the reasons behind this disappointing fact. See IDEAS on the parish website — www.holyrosary.ca.



The Global Food Crisis is likely to get much worse. We hear about and see almost daily the terrible impact of droughts preventing millions of small-scale farmers from growing food to feed their families and communities. But even when these farmers enjoy favourable growing conditions, they face serious obstacles. For example, they are being displaced, harassed and evicted to make room for plantations producing AGRO-FUEL crops. As a result, in Mexico the price of corn, the poor's staple food, rose by nearly 70 percent during 2006-2007. Their corn was being sold as ethanol fuel for use in the U.S. The same crops that could feed people – corn, sugarcane, oils from canola, palm and soy – are being sold for fuel! For small-scale farmers, agro-fuel plantations lead to loss of land, loss of livelihoods, and a lower quality of life. D&P wants Canada to urge the G8 countries, at their upcoming Ontario meetings in June 2010, to increase their support for small-scale, sustainable agriculture in the Global South. Cards addressed to the Prime Minister will be available for signing at all Masses this weekend.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

The outpouring of generosity of the parishioners of Holy Rosary and the friends of the St. Vincent de Paul Society was overwhelming this year. Our Christmas gift-card fundraiser yielded over \$7,000.00. This money enabled us to provide extra food vouchers to each household. Eighty-five families were visited and each member was brought food-voucher gifts. The joy that these visits brought to people was heartwarming.

A special thank you to all of you who helped to make a difference in many lives this Christmas: to Fr. Daniel Chui and the staff at Holy Rosary for their guidance and patience, the families of the Catechetical Program, who once again provided gifts for all our families, to the individuals who made up gift packages and to many of you who slipped envelopes and cash into our boxes during the weeks leading up to Christmas. We are extremely grateful to all.

During 2009 we visited 718 households. Being invited into peoples homes and getting involved in their lives is a privilege. In addition to food vouchers we also give vouchers for clothing and provide mattresses and beds. In the Summer we send boys and girls from this area to camps run by the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

We are indebted to the fine young people in the parish who helped us with our two bundle-Sundays during the year. We ask for your prayers and support as we continue to respond to an ever-increasing number of calls for help during these difficult times. May God reward you for your generosity. A tax receipt will mailed to you shortly.

The Members of the St. Vincent de Paul

**PRAYER SERVICE FOR VICTIMS OF HAITIAN
EARTHQUAKE – MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1, – 7:30 P.M.**

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 affected by the Jan. 12 earthquake. For more information, visit www.archtoronto.org

**DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE LAUNCHES EMERGENCY
APPEAL FOR EARTHQUAKE VICTIMS IN HAITI** Donations to Development and Peace for the Haiti crisis can be made by phone (1-888-664-3387), on our website or by sending a cheque marked *Haiti Emergency* to the following address: Development and Peace, 1425 René-Lévèsque Blvd. W., 3rd Floor, Montréal QC, H3G 1T7.

LAST CALL!

We are down to the wire. If you have been thinking of being part of the group participating in "A Faith Journey: The Passion Play in Oberammergau, Germany, June 20 – July 5, 2010" and have not registered, please do so A.S.A.P. If you would like more information, there are copies of the brochure at the back of the Church or visit www.stbasilortoro.org. Fr. Paul McGill, C.S.B., is looking forward to sharing this "Faith Journey" with you.

Briefly Bin

Bible Classes take place on **Thur. at 7:30 p.m.** Please call the office at 416-923-8471 for the new location.

Holy Rosary Charismatic Prayer Group: meets every **Thur. at 7:30 p.m.** in the Parish Hall, Room 2.

Development & Peace meetings: held on the **3rd Mon.** of each month in the Parish Hall, Room 4 at **7:30 p.m.** **The next meeting is on Feb. 15th.**

Tagalog Mass: will be celebrated at Holy Rosary Church at 6 p.m. today, **Jan. 24.** The Joy of the Lord Prayer Group holds regular prayer meetings on **Sun. at 5 p.m.**

The Catholic Women's League's next meeting will be on Mon., **Jan. 25,** at 7 p.m. in the Parish Office. Learn line dancing with the CWL. Please call Amy Domingo at 416-654-6415. A pre-lenten reflection will be held at St. Alphonsus, 540 St. Clair Ave. W., on **Sat., Feb. 13.**

Employment Opportunity: Business Co-ordinator (part-time) at Holy Rosary Church – Computer skills is an asset. Please send résumé to Fr. Daniel Chui, C.S.B., Holy Rosary Church, either by FAX (416) 923-8473 or e-mail chui@holynosary.ca. **Deadline: Friday, January 29, 2010.**

CELEBRATE THE YEAR OF THE PRIEST

Most Rev. Thomas Collins, Archbishop of Toronto, will speak on "The Year of the Priest" on **Sat. Feb 6** at St. Brigid's Church, 300 Wolverleigh Blvd. **This Kolbe Eucharistic Mini-Retreat** will be held from 2:00 to 4:40 p.m. All are welcome. For more information, please visit www.kolbeapostolate.com



Saturday, January 23rd, 2010

5:00 p.m. Sheila Shotton (+)
(wife of Larry Stout)
Requested by Mary Cameron-Lyon

Sunday, January 24th, 2010

8:00 a.m. Holy Rosary Parishioners
9:30 a.m. Mark Smorzewski (+)
Requested by Nicholas & Catherine
11:00 a.m. Mary Agnes Murphy (+)
Requested by Elaine Morgan
12:30 p.m. Thanksgiving
Requested by Dulce Beltran

Monday, January 25th, 2010

12:10 p.m. James Mulvenna (+)
Requested by Carole-Anne Mooney & Family

Tuesday, January 26th, 2010

12:10 p.m.
Requested by Eileen R. McNeil

Wednesday, January 27th, 2010

12:10 p.m. Sheila Shotton (+)
Requested by Holy Rosary Lectors

Thursday, January 28th, 2010

12:10 p.m. Souls in Purgatory (+)
Requested by Mila Navidad

Friday, January 29th, 2010

12:10 p.m. Marie Besco
Requested by Bonnie Stockman

Saturday, January 30th, 2010

5:00 p.m. Cyril Davis (+)
Requested by Joanne Davis

Sunday, January 31st, 2010

8:00 a.m. Michael Cormack (+)
Requested by Joan & George Cormack
9:30 a.m. Holy Rosary Parishioners
11:00 a.m. Lilian de Souza (+)
Requested by Ivan de Souza
12:30 p.m. Clare Duff (+)
Requested by Marie Bowyer

Extended Schedule for Masses

Monday to Friday – 7:15 a.m. & Saturdays & Holidays – 9 a.m.