

# PAROISSE ST. JEAN BAPTISTE PARISH

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## **Divine Mercy Sunday**

**April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018**



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## **Welcoming New Parishioners:**

We warmly welcome all new members to our parish family. We would like to get to know and serve you. In order to do so please fill out a registration form available in the church foyer or contact the parish office.

## **Sunday Masses:**

Sat. 5:00 pm English

Sun. 9:00 am English

11:00 am Bilingual

## **Weekday Liturgies:**

Please refer to a recent bulletin for updates for the current week.

## **Sacrament of**

### **Reconciliation:**

Sat. 4:30 - 4:50 pm

Sun. 8:30 - 8:50 am

10:30 - 10:50 am

or upon appointment

## **Baptism:**

First Sunday of the month at mass.

Call the parish office for more info and registration.

## **Marriage/Wedding:**

Please call the parish office At least SIX months in advance of your chosen date and before any other arrangement is made.

## **Sacrament of the Sick:**

Please contact the Parish Office After Hours for **Emergencies Only**

780-645-9749.



## Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ

April 3, 2018

*The Canadian Catholic Organization for Development of Peace* was established by the Bishops of Canada in 1967 to foster justice and integral human development in the Southern World. The Diocese of St. Paul has strongly supported *Development and Peace* through the annual *Share Lent* Campaign for many years.

*Development and Peace* fulfills its mandate in collaboration with more than one hundred partner agencies in the Southern World, contracting with them to carry out specific projects aimed at improving the lives of our sisters and brothers in many developing countries. Recently, serious and credible allegations have been made against a number of the southern partner agencies that they condone and even at times advocates policies and practices, which are not in compliance with Catholic teachings and in particular, do not fully respect the sanctity of human life.

For this reason, the Diocese of St. Paul will withhold the 2018 *Share Lent Collection* for *Development and Peace*. The funds will be withheld until such time as we receive clear assurance that its partner agencies in the Southern World are in compliance with *Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace* is the Canadian representative.

In the meantime, we will continue to respect the intent of your donations; I assure you that the funds designated for *Development and Peace* will only be used to assist people in need in the Global South.

I recognize that there are many people in the Diocese who give of themselves generously in support the good works of *Development and Peace*, whether by donation or by assisting in the organization's educational and advocacy initiatives. I write this letter in a spirit of transparency and accountability and promise to keep you posted on developments regarding this current issue.

Sincerely in Christ

+ Bishop Paul Terrio  
Bishop of the St. Paul Diocese

## **Divine Mercy Sunday**

According to Jesus' wish, the Feast of Mercy is to be celebrated on the first Sunday after Easter. Jesus is showing the close connection between the Easter mystery of man's redemption and this feast. The Feast of Mercy is to be not only a day designated for the worship of God's mercy, but also a day of grace for all people, particularly for sinners. Jesus attached great promises to this feast:

- One is the promise of complete forgiveness of all sins and punishment. In other words, this grace is equal to the new one we receive in the sacrament of Baptism. It offers a completely new beginning.

- The image represents the Risen Christ, whose hands and feet bear the marks of the crucifixion. From his pierced Heart, not visible in the image, two rays issue forth: red and pale. Jesus explained their meaning. "The red ray stands for the Blood which is the life of souls. The pale ray stands for the water that makes souls righteous. These two rays issued forth from the very depths of My tender mercy when My agonized Heart was opened by a lance on the Cross"(from the Diary of St. Faustina, "Divine Mercy in My Soul", entry #299).

- The purpose of the images is to serve as an instrument for obtaining graces, and to be a sign reminding the world of the need of trust in God and to show mercy toward our neighbor. The words found in the signature speak of an attitude of trust. Jesus also said that "the image is to be a reminder of the demands of My mercy because even the strongest faith is of no avail works" (diary 742).

Text from L'Osservatore Romano, the official newspaper of the Holy See, 21 August 2002. To know more about how to celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday, visit <http://bit.ly/1PJG7mS>.

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**Safe Parish Committee** For new ministers who are **high risk ministries (children, vulnerable adults, money)** there will be a Safe Parish Community Policy Training session on **Tuesday April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 7 pm** downstairs in the rectory. Those in high risk ministries who missed the previous sessions also need to attend. It is also recommended that anyone considering volunteering for one of these ministries pro-actively attend this session as well. This will ensure that you have the appropriate training at the start of your service should you decide to become involved. Everyone is welcome to join us for this training.

Any questions or concerns you can call Donna or Fr. Trini at the Rectory at 780-939-4412 or Denise 780-939-4401.

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**Fable Gardens Hall** (formerly the RC Parish Hall) is extending an invitation to the parishioners of St. Jean Baptiste Parish to an open house on Sunday April 8<sup>th</sup> from 10 am to 1 pm to see the refurbishing of the parish hall. The hall is now ready for bookings for weddings, banquets and other functions. Refreshments will be provided.

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**Search** We are excited to inform you about the upcoming Search Retreat Weekend, April 27-29, 2018 at Assumption Jr./Sr. High school in Cold Lake. Search, is an introduction to Christian Community, which invites youth ages 15-18 to explore and examine their faith among peers in an atmosphere of mutual respect and trust. Our youth come together to journey towards Jesus. We do this through the use of speakers, discussions, games, prayer, celebrations, and the gifts and talents that God has given all individuals. For more information email [search@stdominicparish.ca](mailto:search@stdominicparish.ca)

# MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Day	Time	Mass Intention	Feast
April 7 Saturday	5:00 pm	RIP Joe Kieser – Anita de Ocampo	Divine Mercy Sunday
April 8 Sunday	9:00 am	RIP Tom Sullivan – Grace Seal	
	11:00 am	For Parishioners	
April 10 Tuesday	8:30 am	RIP Magdalena & Lawrence Duchscher – Mark & Kerry	
April 11 Wed	10:00 am	<b>(Lodge)</b> RIP Leon Schayes - Cecile	St. Stanislaus, Bishop
April 12 Thursday	10:00 am	<b>(Aspen)</b> RIP Michelle Goulet - Mom	
April 13 Friday	8:30 am	Living & Deceased Boissonnault & Brenneis Family - Shirley	
April 14 Saturday	5:00 pm	Deceased members of the Scantland & Vandenhouten Family - Madelain	Third Sunday of Easter
April 15 Sunday	9:00 am	For Parishioners	
	11:00 am	RIP Rolande Himschoot - Family	

**PLEASE PRAY FOR...** Irene Dupuis, Emilienne Dostie, Braden Rowland. All those who are sick or struggling and who are going through any medical procedures and treatments.



## Marriage Preparation 2018



There will be a Marriage Preparation for those who are planning to get married.

April 27<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> at the Morinville Rendez-Vous Centre

To register, please contact Louise Lavoie at [louiselavoie@dioceseofst.ca](mailto:louiselavoie@dioceseofst.ca) Tel: 780.645.3277 ext 30

## Save the Date from the Diocese

1. There will be a Diocesan Assembly at the St. Edouard Renewal Centre on Friday June 15<sup>th</sup> to Saturday June 16<sup>th</sup>, 2018. If accommodation is needed please contact Yvette by June 7, 2018 at [yvettenoel@dioceseofstpaul.ca](mailto:yvettenoel@dioceseofstpaul.ca)
2. There will be an Ordination to the Permanent Diaconate at the cathedral of St. Paul on Friday June 29, 2018 at 6:30 pm. Details to follow closer to the date.

Collection for April 1<sup>st</sup> \$ 4 224.90 Holy Land \$ 955.10 Restoration. \$ 1505.00 **THANK YOU! MERCI**

### UPCOMING EVENTS

<b>Dust Angels</b>	- April 9 <sup>th</sup> , 8:00 am, Monday	- Church
<b>Lectio Divina</b>	- April 11 <sup>th</sup> , 7:00 pm, Wednesday	<b>Church</b>

The Parish Office will be closed on Tuesday April 10<sup>th</sup>.