

Lenten Prayer Group
Monday Evenings
7:30pm – 8:30pm
St. Joseph's Room
Feb 23rd, March 2nd, 9th, 16th,
23rd, 30th

Please join us for this important preparation for Easter. We come together to read the Sunday scripture and discuss questions based on their meaning in our life today.

*Spiritual Committee,
Pastoral Council*

Bus Transportation for Seniors

St. John's parish provides bus transportation for Seniors living in our parish to come to the 11am Mass.

Envelopes are now available at the back counter for donations to help offset the increasing costs.

Please remember to include your name and address for tax receipt purposes.



CWL GENERAL MEETING
- **CHANGE IN DATE**

Our February General Meeting will take place on **Monday, February 23rd at 7:30 p.m.** in the parish centre. Ladies of the parish are invited to join us for Cards & Games. Reports will be posted. If you require transportation, please call Carolyn Meaney at 905-668-9175 or Lynne Childerhouse at 905-431-6582.



YOUTH GROUP

Our next meeting will take place on Sunday, February 22nd at 7:00 p.m. in the parish centre. We will be viewing "The Passion of the Christ" in preparation for our Stations of the Cross

presentation on Good Friday. Youth of our parish, grade 9 and up, are invited to join us. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact: Lynne Childerhouse 905-431-6582, Mike Tice at 905-430-0713 or Rose Tyms at 905-668-0023.

Journey in Your Faith and Make Friends Along the Way

St. Leo's Parish in Brooklin will begin a new session of its **Journey of Faith** program **February 28th**.

Courses being offered include:

- **Awaiting the Messiah (Sat 12-1:30pm)** - What is the world waiting for and what have we already missed? This course takes a peek into first century Israel and asks different groups of the time what their messiah will look like.
- **An Incarnational Religion, (Sat 1:30-3pm)** - It is no exaggeration to say that salvation hinges on the body; after all, God has come in the flesh. In this course we will explore the profound link that exists between what we do with our bodies, the sacraments, and the salvation of the world.

Each course will run 6 weeks and costs \$30. To register or for more information call 905-666-7519 or see the website www.catholicministry.ca

Jesuit Dinner

The Third Annual Jesuit Provincial's Dinner will be on April 22, 2009 at Le Parc Dining and Banquet Hall. This year besides recognizing the 50th Anniversary Jesuit Jubilarians, the Sister of St. Joseph of Toronto are being honoured with the "Magis Award" for their outstanding work and dedication. Tickets are available by calling 416-481-9154 or email jdo@jesuits.ca



Jesus heals

Solidarity Visit To Zambia's D and P Partners"
A presentation by Sylvia Skrepichuk
Thursday, February 19th, 2009 at 7:00 PM
St. John the Evangelist Church
903 Giffard St., Whitby

Join us for an awareness and information evening. Sylvia represents Central Ontario at the National Council for Development and Peace and took part on this summer's solidarity trip to Zambia. A seasoned organizer of exposure trips for students to the Dominican Republic, she will share with us the successes and needs of our D and P partners in Zambia.

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PASTORAL COUNCIL INVITES YOU! CURLING EVENT

Saturday, Feb. 21st

**Whitby Curling Club
@ 7:00pm**



Enjoy an evening of fun and fellowship.

Pastoral Council invites you to come "THROW A FEW ROCKS" with us at the Whitby Curling Club on Brock St. North. NO equipment required NO experience necessary. For those new to the game, instruction will be provided.

Sign up as single adult curler or as a team foursome. We promise you a night of fun and laughter.

Cost\$10.00 p.p

Tickets may be purchased after Mass on Sat. Feb 14th and Sun Feb. 15 or by contacting Bryan Childerhouse 905-668-5206 or email

bryan.childerhouse@sympatico.ca

**Catholic Family Services
Presents**

**Keeping My Faith in Tough
Times**

Five Evenings for Adults
Tuesdays - February 24,
March 3, 10, 24 & 31, 2009
7:00 to 9:00 p.m.
250 Bayly Street W, Unit 22, Ajax
Just east of Westney Road, in the
Mackenzie Plaza
Facilitator:
Mary Marrocco, M.Th., Ph.D.

An adult, participatory workshop
series

- For those of us who may be feeling the stress of difficult economic times, or any other stress in daily life
- And who are looking to increase faith and hope
- To understand better how to keep going, joyfully

For more information, please call
905-725-3513.
Pre-registration is required.

Fee: \$10 for the five sessions -
optional



Pasta Dinner & Dance

Friday – February 20, 2009
Knights Hall – 133 Brock St N
Cocktails 6:00pm, Dinner
7:00pm, Dance 8:30pm
Prizes - Cash Bar
Tickets \$20.00 per person
(Reserved table with group
purchase of 8 or more tickets)

Contact

Nick – (905) 665-3535
or Jeannette (905) 665 8616



Masses For The Week

Sat. Feb 14- 5:00 pm

+ Carol Ivanski

req. by Edward & Christine Lescisin &
Family

Mon. Feb. 16 – 8:20am

+ Lorna McAteer,

req. by Her friends at St. Vincent's
Kitchen

Wed. Feb 18 – 7:00pm

**+ Special Intention Vicki Desouza &
Family**

req. by The Aitken Family

Thu. Feb. 19 - 8:20am

+ Ivor Betteridge,

req. by Pat Catterall & Lloyd Dunn

Fri. Feb 20 – 8:20am

+ Joel Abaloyan,

req. by Emie Vallesterro & Family

Sat. Feb 21 – 5:00pm

+ Joseph Bene,

req. by Barbara Bene & Family

Lenten Bible Study

**St. Gregory The Great Church 194
Simcoe St. N., Oshawa**

During this coming Lenten season,
Catholic Scripture Study International
once again is offering "Jesus' Passion:
The Story of Redemptive Suffering" the
study that examines the Scriptural
basis of Mel Gibson's movie, "The
Passion of the Christ", and looks at
how this powerful portrayal of the
suffering and death of Jesus relates to
the Bible and the teachings of the
Catholic Church.

Classes will be held at St. Gregory's
auditorium every Wednesday evening
during Lent, starting Ash Wednesday,
February 25, 2009 through April 1,
2009 from 7pm to 9pm. A good
Catholic Bible and the Catechism of
the Catholic Church are required for
this study. Those who took the course
last year are welcomed back free of
charge. However, you still need to
register to participate. Suggested
contribution for newcomers is \$10.
Registration envelopes are in St.
Gregory's vestibule or contact Jacqui
at (905) 723-8141. Last day to register
is Sunday, February 15th

Looking Ahead

Sat./Sun. Feb 14/15



Tickets available for Curling
after all Masses

Mon. Feb. 16 – Rectory Closed

Family Day

7pm D&P Meeting, PC#2

Wed. Feb 18

6:00 – 7:00pm PHCP Gr 7/8, St. Jos/St.
Alb Rms

7:30pm Baptism Prep, PC #1

Thur Feb. 19

7:00pm – 9:00pm Development & Peace
Presentation, PC main

7:30pm RCIA, PC#1

Sat. Feb. 21

7:00pm Curling at Whitby Curling Club

Sun. Feb 22

2pm – CWL Speech Contest, PC main

7pm Senior Youth Group, PC main

**The Christopher Leadership Course
in Effective Speaking and Self
Confidence**

St. Therese Church

3800 Courtice Road North, Courtice
Sunday February 22, 2009 at 7:00pm

The course focuses on
confidence building, public speaking,
communication and presentation skills.
Learn all this and more during an 11-
week course at St. Therese Church.
For more information, call 1-800-418-
8925 or email

www.christopherpublicspeaking.com

**Men's Lenten Day of Reflection
with Bishop Peter Hundt
Saturday, March 7, 2009
9:30am to 3:30pm**

**St. Gertrude's Church Hall
690 King Street East, Oshawa**

Bishop Hundt will be leading a one
day Lenten Day of Reflection for men
entitled "Lessons for Catholic
Gentlemen from the Life and Ministry
of St. Paul. The day includes lunch
served at noon and concludes with
Mass. This Day of Reflection is
sponsored by the Knights of Columbus
but it is open to interested men of all
ages in the Durham Region. There is a
\$10 registration fee to help cover the
cost of lunch and refreshments. This
will be a great way to begin the Lenten
Season and help prepare us for
Easter. Please preregister by calling
Harold Marcotte (905) 571-2591 or
email harold@chezmarcotte.ca