

WORLD MISSION

Thank you very much for your generous support of World Mission Sunday last week. Your prayers and donations will make a huge contribution to the growth of the Church and to the well-being of the poor of our world. Please continue to pray for all those who serve in mission countries that they may remain steadfast in their vocation to bring Christ's message of love to those they serve – the world's most vulnerable.

**SVDP CHRISTMAS SPONSORS 2009****How to become a Sponsor and help a needy family this Christmas**

To our returning sponsors, we thank you for your continued support. This year more than ever the economic conditions are showing a growing number of people who have lost their jobs and are in need of our help. To sponsor a needy family we have outlined some information below that may be of some help to you in choosing to become a sponsor this year.

- The sponsor remains anonymous
- The needy family remains anonymous
- Only the make up of the family is given to the sponsor. Example: number of adults, number of children boy or girl and their ages and if possible, sizes.
- There is no \$ value suggested. It is whatever you care to spend.
- You are only asked to provide gifts with emphasis on the children.
- SVDP includes grocery vouchers per family for Christmas Dinner.
- Requests for small or large families can be accommodated. Some office groups or 2 or 3 Families join together and request a large (4-6 children) family or sponsor.

- SVDP's aim is to try and give the sponsor the content of a family by end of November or the first week in December. This is not always possible as we get names of families into the second and third week of December.
- The sponsor is asked to wrap the gifts and tag them. Example: Boy aged 8 years
- The sponsor is also given a number to mark on all the gifts to correspond with the number given to the anonymous family.
- You are given a date and time to return the gifts to the Parish Centre.

SVDP members deliver the gifts to the families in time for Christmas.

In the event you do not wish to sponsor a family, a small cash donation to SVDP can be used to help purchase the Christmas Food Vouchers for needy families.

We hope this year you will consider being a sponsor to a family in need.

**Signup is on Social Sunday
November 1st after the 9am and 11am
Masses in the Parish Centre.**

Questions? call Rita at (905) 668-1889 or email rhadden@rogers.com

 Please Pray For All The Sick 

Please remember in your prayers this week, our parishioners and family who are ill, and those who care for them:
RAY HAYES, LINA SPENCER, ASHLEY HUIININK, FRANK PLUE, MICHAEL LAVIOLETTE.

WANTED**Facilitators for January 2010 Bible Study Course**

No experience required. Training will be provided.
There will be 2 facilitators per group, so you won't be on your own!
Please call the Parish Office soon!

**Liturgy Spotlight**

Contrary to the meaning of "ordinary" as common, usual, or plain, the liturgical season of Ordinary Time is anything but. It is an extraordinary opportunity for grace, a time of the year when we follow in the footsteps

of Jesus as recorded in one of the gospels as he journeys to Jerusalem and the Cross. During Ordinary Time we walk with him and continue his saving mission.

**LITTLE ROCK
SCRIPTURE STUDY**

**A 2010 Event at
St. John the Evangelist
Parish**

903 Giffard Street, Whitby

- Would you like to know the meaning that the Bible holds for you today?
- Would you like to be more comfortable in discussing the Bible with other Christians?
- Would you like to hear God speaking to your life through the words of the Bible?

Please join us with other members of the parish in a study of the ACTS OF THE APOSTLES for 10 Mondays from January 11 to March 15, 2010, 7:30pm to 9:00pm in the Parish Centre.

The program includes individual study, small group discussions and lectures.

Information on registration and fee will follow soon.

**A Taste of the Parish!**

**Saturday, November 7th
6:00p.m.**

Once again we are looking forward to celebrating the food of our diverse parishioners and we invite you to join in!

How? Simply complete one of the sign-up slips located at the back of the church and let us know what you plan to bring and the nationality of the dish. Bring the dish to the parish hall on Saturday, November 7th between 4:30 and 5:30 p.m. At 6:00 p.m. the fun begins as you tour the hall visiting tables to sample food selections from around the world. Coffee and tea will be provided.

It's never too early to tell you....
**SOME CHANGES ARE OCCURRING
 FOR
 CHRISTMAS EVE MASSES**

On Thursday, December 24, 2009,
 Masses for the Vigil of Christmas will
 be as follows:

5:00pm, 8:00pm and 11:00pm



Masses For The Week

Sat. Oct. 24 - 5:00pm

+Mary Renaud

req. by Her Family

Mon. Oct 26 - 8:20am

+Helen Le Cours

req. by Lloyd Dunn & Family

Wed. Oct 28 - 7:00pm

+Tony Rinaldi

req. by Lucy Rinaldi

Thu. Oct. 29 - 8:20am

+Special Intentions

req. by Bonnie Stewart

Fri. Oct. 30 - 8:20am

+Helen Le Cours

req. by The Family

Sat. Oct. 31 - 5:00pm

+Giacomo Belloto

req. by Elisa Bellotto & Family



**Next weekend is Social
 Sunday**

Please join us in the parish center
 for refreshments after Mass

Feed the Hungry Program

Containers are available next
 weekend after Mass.

**St Vincent de Paul
 Food Donations**

We thank everyone for their
 continued support of non-
 perishable food to support the
 needy in our community. Every
 donation is appreciated and the
cereal supply is especially low at
the current time.

**The Book
 of Life**



The month of
 November is traditionally known as the
 month of the Holy Souls, having at its
 beginning the two great feasts - All
 Saints and All Souls.

To commemorate your faithful
 departed family and friends, you are invited
 to submit a page for the "Book of Life."
 This page should be 8 1/2" by 11" and fit
 into a standard 3-ring binder. On it you
 may type or print the names of whomever
 you would like to have remembered in a
 special way at all of our parish Masses
 during November. You may decorate your
 "Family Page" in whatever way you wish
 as long as it fits the above requirements.
 This "Book of Life" will be left in the
 sanctuary during November to remind us
 to pray, at church and at home for our
 loved ones.



**DID YOU KNOW?
 DOES YOUR CHILD ATTEND PUBLIC,
 PRIVATE OR ALTERNATIVE
 SCHOOL?
 DID YOU KNOW THAT YOUR CHILD
 MUST ATTEND
 PARISH HOME CATECHISM CLASSES
 AT THE PARISH FROM GRADE 1-8
 IN ORDER TO RECEIVE THE
 SACRAMENTS OF
 FIRST RECONCILIATION, FIRST
 EUCHARIST AND CONFIRMATION?**

**PLEASE CHECK OUR WEBSITE OR
 CONTACT CHRISTINE HANNON AT
 905-444-9913 FOR INFORMATION.**



Knights of Columbus

St John the Evangelist Council

Executive Meeting

**Wednesday October 28, 2009
 7:30 P.M.**

Knights of Columbus Hall
 133 Brock Street North

Healing Mass

Mass with special prayers for healing
 at St. Gregory's Church (Southwest
 corner of Simcoe & Adelaide Streets,
 Oshawa)

Wednesday October 28, 2009
 7:00pm

Celebrated by Fr. Charles Mahon

St. Leo the Great Parish,
 Brooklin

A new session of its Theology
 program will begin on Saturday
 October 31st to December 5th,
 2009. Courses offered include:

- Peter in the Bible (Sat.
 10:30am to noon)
- Joyful Mysteries in Scripture
 (Sat. noon to 1:30pm)

Each course will run 6 weeks
 and the cost is \$30. Please pay
 at the first class. To register, call
 the parish office (905) 655-3286.

SQUIRES

Ontario Provincial Board
 DINNER & DANCE

"Blast from the Past"

Saturday November 21, 2009

St. Joseph the Worker Parish Hall

Enjoy the music of the live band

"The Lincolnaires"

Silent Auction, 50/50 draw, and
 prizes for best costume from the
 50's or 60's

Dance Only - \$50/couple

Dinner & Dance \$100/couple

Cash Bar

Tickets: Joe Bodnar 905-985-4292

jbodnar@hotmail.com

Looking Ahead

Wed. Oct. 28

6:00 - 6:50pm PHCP Gr 1-8, PC all,
 St. Jos/Alb Rms

7:30pm Baptism Preparation, PC#1

Sun Nov 1 Social Sunday

Signup for Taste of the Parish, foyer

Signup for Christmas Sponsors,

Parish Centre during Social Sunday

**Knights of Columbus
 HALLOWEEN PANCAKE
 BREAKFAST**

Saturday, October 31, 2009

8:00am - 10:30am

Pancakes, sausages, bacon
ALL YOU CAN EAT!

Prize for the best costume!

Tickets at the door

\$4 each, \$12/Family

Knights Hall,

133 Brock Street N., Whitby, ON