

PARISH BULLETIN – CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF SAINT VERONICA’S
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MASS SCHEDULE

WEEK OF JANUARY 26TH, 2020

SATURDAY, JANUARY 25TH, 2020

4:30 P.M. Irene Diorio

The Family

SUNDAY, JANUARY 26TH, 2020-3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00 A.M. All Parishioners

11:00 A.M. Michael Ferrie

Gwen Wilmut

MONDAY, JANUARY 27TH, 2020

TUESDAY, JANUARY 28TH, 2020-ST. THOMAS AQUINAS

7:00 P.M. Peggy McDonaugh

Sandy & John

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 29TH, 2020

9:15 A.M. T. Leblanc

CWL

THURSDAY, JANUARY 30TH, 2020

9:00 A.M. All Parishioners

9:30 A.M. NOON EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

FRIDAY, JANUARY 31ST, 2020-ST. JOHN BOSCO

9:00 A.M. Feliciano Garcia

Suzette Garcia

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1ST, 2020

4:30 P.M. Margaret Hall

Ron & Mary Ann Cooney

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2ND, 2020-PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

9:00 A.M. Denis Fernandes

Alex & Maureen

11:00 A.M. Memorial Society

So many places to shine God's light

Pope Francis continues to impress us with his communications. He proposes that as disciples we must become more involved in our missionary vocation and invites to participate in this great adventure. This means leaving our comfort zone and shifting our interests to venture into the "outskirts" of society, to a sincere and realistic encounter with today's world in all its diversity. This new direction for both religious and lay people will be recorded in history as one of the Pope's major contributions.

But where does the fire that illuminates the Pope's proposals originate? What lights this candle? His frequent references to the Gospel texts provide one answer. The Pope has assimilated these references in his communications. Most importantly, the Pope ensures they reflect peoples' lives. These ancient texts, once revisited, shed new light on statements that we may have overlooked as old fashioned and no longer relevant.

The Gospel and readings this Sunday provide us with good example of these texts. It is interesting to note that the Gospel cites the first reading which references the mass for Christmas Eve. The Gospel reminds us that Jesus chose to preach in the crossroads of the great commercial routes of his era. Jesus' early life was in the outskirts, a good distance from Jerusalem, the religious heart of his nation. Jesus could thus offer God's light to all the members of his human family. The places where Jesus lived during his mission did not limit his message only to the members of the Jewish community, who were already familiar with God's plan. Jesus also interacted with people he met along the great commercial routes that crisscrossed Galilee. It was an excellent strategy that kept him from being limited to the customs and conventions of a single group of people. Today we proclaim Jesus' actions that evoke the prophet Isaiah's prophecies. We rejoice, as Jesus did, in texts from this ancient prophet that we can certainly apply to conditions in our modern world. Our minds are enlightened, despite the gloominess of the season or the terrors of our era.

Everyone, who listened to Jesus, and even us who live in our modern world, are enlightened thanks to our communion with God. Jesus came to create a difference in the past and in our own era's circumstances. What is required is that our commitment to confront actual problems be sincere and accomplished by "removing" our visors". Opportunities exist for interaction in the committees where we participate, the public audiences where we are active, and when we listen to those with broken hearts. If we actively practice our vocation, we will shine a great light on obscure situations and make improvements possible. Happy are we as we open our minds to the numerous avenues that will increase Jesus' presence in our lives. Remember, Christ dared to explore and bring his message to the great crossroads of his era.

Father Alain Faucher

Translated by Honore Kerwin Borrelli

CONFIRMATION RETREAT: There is a Confirmation Retreat for all Level Six students **and their Sponsor** next Saturday, February 1st from 2:30 – 4:00. If the Sponsor is not able to attend then a parent, Godparent or another adult may attend in their place.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS...: Annual Pot Luck Supper will take place at the Surrey Community Centre on Saturday February 29th at 6:00PM.



On **World Day of the Sick, Saturday, February 8** Mass (time TBA) presided by Archbishop Christian Lepine will take place at SASMAD /Pastoral Home Care headquarters, St Isaac Jogues Parish, Ahunsic. All family members, parishioners and friends of the sick are cordially invited to attend. **Prayer Cards** are available in the book nooks and at the side door. Please pick one up and pray for the sick of our parish. Contact Helen Surette, 514-631-8908 for further details,

2020 SUNDAY DONATION ENVELOPES: are available in the book nooks and at the side of the church. Please take **any box** and write your name, address, postal code and telephone number on the first envelope used in 2020. **Please use only 2020 envelopes** in January and **discard leftover 2019 envelopes**. Thank you for your cooperation.

2019 DONATION ENVELOPES: Parishioners using envelope numbers **90, 167, 184, 243, 248, 258, 316, and 334**. **Can you please call the office as soon as possible IN ORDER TO RECEIVE YOUR 2019 INCOME TAX RECEIPTS**. Thank You.

SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND....will be for the Maintenance Fund. Please give to the best of your ability.