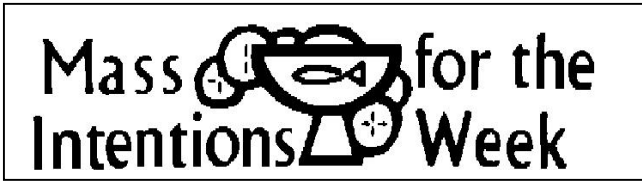


**SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
FEBRUARY 14, 2010**



Monday (Ferial) Jas. 1.1-11; Mk. 8.11-13
Feb. 15 8:00 am +Kathryn Sheehan

Tuesday (Ferial) Jas. 1.12-18; Mk. 8.14-21
Feb. 16 8:00 am +John & Margaret Mahoney

Wednesday (Ash Wednesday) Jl. 2.12-18; Mt. 6.1-6, 16-18
Feb. 17 8:00 am +Thomas E. Willey
St. Bernadette School (At School)
9:30 am +Ruth Knight
St. Augustine School (At Church)
1:00 pm +Phyllis Furlong
7:00 pm +Connie O'Shaughnessy

Thursday (Ferial) Dt. 30.15-20; Lk. 9.22-25
Feb. 18 8:00 am +Alberto Ramalheira & Family

Friday (Ferial) Is. 58.1-9; Mt. 9.14-15
Feb. 19 8:00 am +Florence Melanson

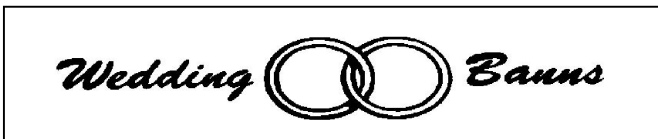
Saturday (Ferial) Is. 58.9-14; Lk. 5.27-32
Feb. 20 5:30 pm +Eric Finch

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

There is all day Adoration on Wednesday.
Adoration will be from 9:00a.m. To 5:00p.m.

**Together
at Baptism** 

WELCOME TO THE NEWLY BAPTIZED
Anthony Lopez



There is a promise of marriage between
Bradley Walker and Catherine Boiteau.

 **REST IN PEACE** 

Lord grant eternal rest to the souls of our dearly
departed, especially the soul of your loving servant
Henri Rotsaert.



ASH WEDNESDAY

February 17, 2010

Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of the Season of Lent. Lent has two major purposes: It recalls or prepares for baptism, and emphasizes a spirit of penance. Through forty days of closer attention to God's word and of more

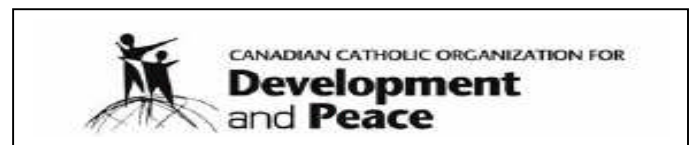
fervent prayer, believers are prepared to celebrate the paschal mystery.



LENTEN DEVOTIONS

On Friday evenings of Lent at 7:00p.m. there will be Lenten Devotions beginning with **EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT, THE WAY OF THE CROSS and BENEDICTION,** followed by **CONFESSION.**

PLEASE NOTE that there will be Wednesday evening Masses at 7:00p.m. during Lent.



“Love is God's greatest gift of humanity; it is God's promise and our hope.”

Pope Benedict, Caritas in Veritate

SHARE LENT 2010 is the annual campaign of the Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace. Your gifts through Share Lent grow wisely in the hands of people in Asia, Africa, Latin America and the Middle East. You are invited to give, with love, so that they can participate more fully in the feast of life.

TODAY – The **LIFESTYLE AWARENESS CALENDAR** is inserted in the bulletin. This calendar for the 40 days of Lent creates a prayer and giving focus for children and their families, classrooms and communities. It connects our daily lives to the needs of the world.



ST. AUGUSTINE'S
CATHOLIC WOMEN'S
LEAGUE
BURSARY FUND

The deadline for the CWL Education Bursary Fund is February 28th, 2010. Any woman wishing to apply may pick up an application brochure at the back of the church. This bursary is supported in part, by our Annual Plant Sale, May 22nd & 23rd. Please keep this date in mind as you plan your outdoor or indoor garden clean up and planting. All donations are much appreciated. Anyone wishing to help with the plant sale may contact a member of the Bursary Committee.



Society of
St. Vincent de Paul

ST. AUGUSTINE'S
ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

ANNUAL REPORT 2009

The families we have assisted in the Dundas community have asked us to thank you, the St. Augustine's parishioners for your very generous support. Donations from monthly church collections, Christmas Charitable Works, Catholic Women's League, Knights Of Columbus and other individual donations amounted to \$10,955.19. This was distributed through grocery gift cards to those who called for help during the year - \$5,770.00 and at Christmas - \$4,280.00. We also sponsored a child at CYO Camp Brebeuf. Total disbursements were \$10,467.26. During 2009, a total of 180 visits were made to 52 families including 84 children by our 10 Vincentians (Committee Members).

Parish Vincentians: Catherine Duffy, Gerry Kiely, Dowling Knights, Pat McInnes, France McVey, Barbara O'Connor, Tom O'Shaughnessy, Agnes Samson, Wuchow Than, & Marie Thompson.

MEMORANDUM

Re: Influenza A (H1N1) Virus Update

His Excellency Bishop Tonnos has confirmed that the regular practice of worship with no restrictions be implemented. This means that we can resume shaking hands at the Sign of Peace and distribute Communion in accordance with parish norms.

ESTATE PLANNING

Join us for a **FREE** seminar on estate planning right here at the Parish Centre, Saturday, Feb. 27th at 11:00a.m. Today, millions of people are planning ahead for all the right reasons!

- Stop inflation.
- Relieve family of the financial burden final expenses can cause.
- Prevent emotional overspending.
- Greater peace of mind.
- Plan with your loved ones.
- Prevent "guessing" or arguing about what you would have wanted.
- Legal protection when we are sick or unable to act for ourselves.
- Protection from probate.

Presenters from Scotia Trust, Steve Robinson and Kevin St. Aubin from Marlatt Funeral Home and D. Gordon Morton - Family Law, will provide important information as well as a stress free non-pressure setting to ask all your questions. Lunch provided by the Marlatt Funeral Home. Limited seating is available so please call and reserve your seat, 905-627-7452.

ST. AUGUSTINE PARENT GROUP DANCE

GR. 8 YEAR END TRIP FUNDRAISER

JOIN US, COME OUT &
BEAT THE FEBRUARY BLAHS

Saturday, February 27, 2010

7:30p.m. To 1:00a.m.

St. Augustine Parish Centre

Buffet at 11:00p.m., Cash Bar

Tickets are \$20.00 each

For tickets or more information, contact
Gillian Schaible 628-8373 or Gina Furlong 628-6569

SENIORS

ST. AUGUSTINE'S YOUNG AT HEART SENIORS

Will meet on Tuesday at 1:00p.m. in the
Parish Centre for cards and refreshments.

SUNDAY SMILE



What kind of flowers do you
never give on Valentine's Day?

Cauliflowers!!!

Most Reverend A.F. Tonnos D.D.
BISHOP OF HAMILTON,
700 KING ST. WEST,
HAMILTON, ONTARIO,
CANADA, L8P 1C7

PASTORAL LETTER **LENT 2010**

My Dear People of Hamilton Diocese,

The holy season of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, the 17th of February and concludes with the Sacred Triduum. We celebrate the Lord's Resurrection from the dead on Easter Sunday April 4th. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast and abstinence.

The Second Vatican Council reminds us that Lent is intended to prepare us to celebrate more faithfully the Paschal Mystery of the Lord's death and Resurrection which affected our Redemption. We celebrate best when we not only recall the historical facts of our Redemption, namely the crucifixion and Resurrection from the dead, but when we relive the mystery of our Redemption, and thus live more fully with the grace that Redemption gives to us. The purpose of Lent is to provide us with the opportunity to purify our minds and hearts by weaning us from sin and selfishness. This we can achieve through self-denial and prayer, by creating in ourselves the desire to do God's will. We can make His Kingdom come, by making it come first into our own hearts.

Lent is a collective retreat of forty days consecrated to conversion from sin and growth in virtue. Without making them an end in themselves, we use the traditional Lenten practices of prayer, self-denial and almsgiving as means to achieving freedom from sin and growth in virtue. Especially effective in our quest for greater union with the Risen Christ is the reception of Our Lord in the Eucharist. I strongly encourage frequent attendance at Mass and reception of Communion, even daily whenever possible.

You are familiar with the Share Lent collection in favour of the Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace which is our regular Lenten collection. This year I am adding another group as an alternative for your Lenten almsgiving. The St. Joseph Health System which operates the Catholic health hospitals and other facilities in our Diocese has for twenty years assisted hospitals in Haiti with medical supplies and human medical expertise. They more recently have also been active in Uganda. The St. Joseph Health System International Outreach Program is a worthy cause seeking your Lenten support.

May Lent 2010 bring each and every one of us more fully into the life of Our Risen Lord. May the blessings and joy of Easter be yours.

Yours sincerely in Christ,

A.F. Tonnos D.D.
BISHOP OF HAMILTON

PENITENTIAL DISCIPLINE IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

Law of the gospel: The Church wants new emphasis to be given to the evangelical law that a follower of Christ must do penance. While the heart of penance is hatred for sin as an offence against God external forms of penance are required to deepen and encourage the internal virtue.

Fridays are days of abstinence from meat, but Catholics may substitute special acts of charity or piety on this day.

The penitential character of Lent is to be maintained. On these days penance is to be considered an important requirement of the Christian life. Fulfillment of this duty involves prayer, works of piety and charity, and self-denial by fulfilling one's obligations more faithfully and especially by observing the prescribed fast and abstinence. In the Roman rite, including Canada, Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fasting and of abstinence from meat. It is in the best interests of the Church that these days be proclaimed and practiced in the parish community as days of true penance.

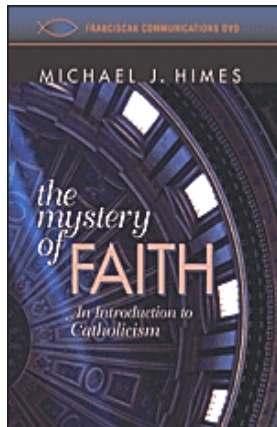
Privileged forms of penance are to be encouraged, especially during Lent. These forms are privileged because they are based on the teaching of the gospels (fasting, almsgiving, prayer, works of mercy) or because of their traditional value among the people of God (abstinence from meat).

Christian fasting obtains its full meaning when we deprive ourselves of food in order to be more open for prayer, to share more in the suffering of those who are starving and to save money to give to the poor. Fasting among Christians is a penitential discipline intended to open our hearts to God and others, a means of purification and spiritual liberation, a witness of the depth of our faith.

The law of abstinence from meat binds those who are 14 and older; the law of fasting binds those from 18 to 59 years of age. Parents and educators are reminded of their duty to introduce children gradually to the understanding and practice of penance. Adult example will be the greatest influence in this matter.

LENTEN **PROGRAM**

Beginning Thursday, February 11th from 7:30 to 9:00 pm. continuing through the remaining Thursdays of Lent, in the Parish Centre there will be a special program entitled *The Mystery of Faith*



Each evening begins with a video presentation with Rev. Michael J. Himes providing a marvelous introduction to the depth of Catholic doctrine. Utilizing dramatic scenes, artwork and images to enhance his warm, humorous and challenging presentations, Father Himes focuses on ten vital faith topics:

*Trinity, Grace, Incarnation and Salvation.
Church, Baptism and Eucharist.
Sacraments of Vocation, Reconciliation*

LENTEN LUNCHES

Wednesdays at Noon

February 17 through March 24



Join us at
St. Paul's United Church
For an hour of prayer,
food
And fellowship!

Free-will offerings will be gratefully received to support the Routes Youth Centre.

An ecumenical initiative of the Association of Dundas Churches, graciously hosted by St. Paul's United Church
29 Park Street West, Dundas.