



THE CHURCH of ST. MARY MAGDALENE

LENT III

27 March 2011

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALENDAR 28 March – 3 April 2011			
28 Monday	6.00 pm	Mass	Charles Henry Brent, Bp., 1929
29 Tuesday	7.15 am	Mass	John Keble, Priest, 1866
30 Wednesday	10.00 am	Mass	Feria
31 Thursday	7.15 am 10.00 am	Mass La Messa	John Donne, Priest and Poet, 1631
1 Friday	6.00 pm 8.00 pm	Mass Stations of the Cross	Frederick Denison Maurice, Priest, 1872
2 Saturday	10.00 am	Mass	Henry Budd, Priest, 1875
3 Sunday	8.00 am 9.30 am 11.00 am	Said Mass Sung Mass Solemn Mass	Lent IV (Mothering Sunday)
Lent IV Readings I Samuel 16: 1-13; Ephesians 5: 8-14; John 9: 1-41			

Confessions are heard by appointment

Submissions for Sunday Announcements should be sent to the church office by email (office@stmarymagdalene.ca). The deadline for submissions is Wednesday morning.

Welcome to the Church of St. Mary Magdalene.

We invite you to stay following the 9.30 and 11.00 masses for refreshments in Hiscocks Hall, which is located in the basement. It can be reached by the door next to the baptismal font. There is a wheelchair accessible lift and washroom in the office area on the main floor, which can be reached by the door in the north-east corner. Please speak to a sidesperson for assistance.

- **Fr Stephen Reynolds:** We were all saddened to learn of the death of Fr Stephen, sometime Associate Priest and Honorary Assistant of this parish. We continue to use liturgical materials he fashioned for SMM. What's more, his book *For All the Saints* is used to mark our observances of saints days throughout the year. His legacy as a teacher at Trinity College has formed many of us in holy orders. There will be a requiem eucharist at Trinity College on Monday, 28 March at 5.15 pm. May he rest in peace and rise with Christ in glory! DJH+

EVENTS:

- **Wednesday Mornings in Lent:** The Wednesday morning study group is reading and discussion *Uncommon Gratitude*, by Joan Chittister and Rowan Williams. (See notice under **Spiritual Growth & Exploration for Adults** for more information.)
- **Wednesday Evenings in Lent:** *Every Day Faith: Deepening our Spiritual Practice*. (See insert for more information.)
- **Fridays in Lent: Stations of the Cross at 8.00 pm.**
- **Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Although we do not have a regularly scheduled time for confessions, the season of Lent is a particularly appropriate time to consider availing ourselves of this sacrament. If you would like to have a conversation about this sacrament, or guidance on how to make a confession, please do be in touch with me. Fr. David

- **FaithWorks Luncheon:** The annual SMM FaithWorks Fundraising Luncheon, sponsored by Veronica Allen, will be held on **Sunday, 3 April at 12.30 pm** in Hiscocks Hall. Tickets are \$25.00 (children 5 and under are free), and are **now available** after Sunday masses or from the SMM office.

OUR PARISH COMMUNITY:

- **Hospitality Team:** The Hospitality team needs more people to 'set up' and 'clean up' refreshments for the **11.00 am mass on Sundays**. The present volunteers are tired. We encourage everyone to do their part, even if it is just once every few months. **There is a roster on the door to the kitchen.** Please sign up there when you down downstairs after mass. Come with a friend or spouse to make the work more enjoyable, or partner up with a new acquaintance to get to know someone new. **We really need everyone's help.**
- It is the SMM tradition to hold a **Resurrection Party after the Easter Vigil**. As this is a Pot Luck event, please begin to consider what **finger foods or drink you may be able to contribute**. Please **sign up on the sheet in Hiscocks Hall**. If you prefer, please speak directly to **Joanne Dawson** or **Viola Lang**.

SPIRITUAL GROWTH for CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE:

- **Sunday School:** At the 9.30 mass, children age 2 to 6 meet in the Sunday school room for about 30 minutes for a program of story-telling, arts and crafts.

SPIRITUAL GROWTH for ADULTS:

- **Centre for Christian Spirituality: Saturday, April 16, 2011, 1:30-3:00 pm. Venue to be determined. *Putting Spirituality into Practice - A Christian Imperative* - Maylanne Maybee**
- ***I am the Bread of Life - Meditations for Lent 2011:*** Parkdale Ministry Development Council is pleased to announce the publication of this booklet, which offers **simplified versions of morning prayer and night prayer**, and also includes reflections written by members of the seven parishes of Parkdale Deanery (including SMM). Printed copies have been distributed to all seven parishes. You can also read or download the entire booklet on the Parkdale Deanery website: **www.parkdaledeanery.wordpress.com**. The offices for daily prayer are on the site now and the daily reflection will appear each day of Lent. We thank all those who have contributed and encourage you to use these resources during Lent and to share them with your friends.

- The **Wednesday morning study group** is studying *Uncommon Gratitude*, by **Joan Chittister** and **Rowan Williams**. Everyone is welcome to join us. The study begins at approximately 11.00 am (after the 10.00 am mass) and concludes at noon.

OUTREACH & SOCIAL JUSTICE:

- **2011 Trump AIDS Poker Walk** - On **Saturday, April 30th**, parishes in the Diocese of Toronto are invited to participate alongside Rotary clubs and a number of HIV/AIDS-related charities in the 2011 Trump AIDS Poker Walk being organized by Rotary District 7070. 75% funds of raised through the 5km walk can be directed by each parish to an HIV/AIDS-related charity of their choice. Funds can also be used to support a HIV/AIDS-related project which is being undertaken by a parish. **Mary Lou Harrison has volunteered to lead a team of walkers from St. Mary Magdalene's and would love company!** Please speak to her for more information or contact her via email at dmlh@sympatico.ca. Suggestions for projects/initiatives to benefit from the team's fundraising efforts are also needed asap. More information about the walk is available at www.trumpaid.ca. The issue of HIV/AIDS was identified recently as a priority area of focus for parish outreach and social justice initiatives. It is also a Diocesan priority as part of Archbishop Johnson's vision to build "communities of hope and compassion".

WIDER COMMUNITY

- **The Bishop's Company Dinner** is taking place on **Monday May 9th at 6 pm** at the **Holy Trinity, Trinity Square/Marriott Hotel**. Tickets are available through the Diocese website, www.toronto.anglican.ca. Bishop Poole would like to offer for auction a York-Credit Valley Sports Extravaganza Package and is asking each parish to offer something with a sports theme to auction (e.g. Leaf, Raptor, Argos, TFC tickets; sports memorabilia, autograph items, a lunch/dinner with a sports figure). **If you have an item to donate, please let SMM church office (416-531-7955) know.**
- **Prayer Book Society Toronto Branch Lenten Quiet Day: Saturday 2 April, 10.30 am - 4 pm at The Church of St. Thomas, 383 Huron Street.** The theme is *The Way of our Redemption: Reflections on Holy Week* and will be lead by Rev'd Gethin Edward, St. Matthew's Church, Tisdale Sask. Please call Diana Verseghe (416-739-4422) if you would like to attend. Cost of \$10.00 per person includes lunch and coffee breaks. **Special Memorial Sung Service of Holy Communion in commemoration of the life of Rev'd Dr. Robert Crouse**, Honorary President of the PBSC at St. Thomas Church at 4 pm. All are welcome.