

SANCTUARY LAMP- For the week of May 14th – 20th the Tabernacle Sanctuary Lamp will burn for the repose of the soul of Doris Metcalfe. The Sanctuary Lamp in the St. Thomas of Villanova shrine will burn for special intention B.D. If you would like to have the Sanctuary Lamp lit for a deceased relative or friend or for a special intention, contact the parish office. The cost is \$5.00 per week.

PRAYERS FOR OUR SICK - Lord hear our prayer for those who are sick, recovering from surgery, aging and in need of our prayers, and for those who care for them, may they find strength and courage through their faith. **We Pray for** – Ed Broderick, Bertha Noseworthy, Glen Bursey, Sophia Ribble, Gerry Perry, Elizabeth Hayden, David Roche, Colby Chipman, Emily Kenny, Wayne Fitzpatrick, Jeffrey Hollings, Donna Power, Marjorie Melnik, Bernadette Dawe, Doreen Wiseman, Cara Coleman, John Power, Bessie Nugent, Art Rice, Agatha McGrath & Philomena Wall.

SUNDAY MASS TIME - After receiving parishioner feedback about the proposed Sunday Mass time at St. Edward's Parish and discussing this with the Parish Council and Liturgy Committees, beginning on **Pentecost Sunday, May 28th, we will have one Sunday Mass at 10:30am.** The original proposal was for 10am; however, several recommendations noted that because of difficulties with personal snow clearing in the winter and the increased distance of travel for many parishioners (our parish boundaries are now quite large); 10:30 would be a more practical time. There was resounding agreement to come together for one Mass on Sundays and, although we cannot expect to find a time that pleases everyone, there seems to be a preponderance of reasons to go with 10:30am. We will try this Mass time for now and re-evaluate it later in the year. Thank you for your input and support and we can now look forward to coming together for a united celebration of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass on Sundays.

COULD GOD BE CALLING YOU TO BECOME A PRIEST?

A vocation discernment group, led by Fr. James Fleming, meets regularly on the last Sunday of every month. Single Catholic men, 18 years and older, who are open to considering a call to the priesthood are invited to attend. To register or find out more, please contact Fr. James Fleming at 834-9481 or vocations@rcsj.org

ST. TERESA'S PARISH MISSION - **Becoming a People of HOPE During Times of Loss** – St. Teresa's Parish, Mundy Pond Road, will be holding a Parish Mission May 15 – 17th @7:00 pm. The Mission will be given by Fr. James Wallace, C.Ss.R., Fr. Philip Dabney, C.Ss.R. & Fr. Francis Gargani, C.Ss.R. The last three years have been a time when many have suffered the loss of loved ones, along with the loss of jobs, financial security and health of body, mind and spirit. Our faith in Christ offers us both human and spiritual resources to recover our strength and become for others a sign and instrument of hope. All are welcome to attend.

NATIONAL FAMILY AND LIFE WEEK - On Tuesday 9 May 2023, in the context of the National Family and Life Week, the Permanent Council of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops issued an *Open Letter to the Government* and a *Message to the Catholic Faithful* on permitting persons with mental illness to access euthanasia/assisted suicide. These letters can be found on the Archdiocesan website: <https://rcsjarchdiocese.org/>

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE - St. Thomas of Villanova CWL Monthly Meeting will be held **Thursday, May 18th at 10:45 A.M.** after Mass in the Parish Hall. Any Parishioner interested in joining us is welcome to attend. Hope to see you there.

<u>MASS SCHEDULE:</u>	May 16 – 21	INTENTION
Tues. - May 16	- 10 am	- Special Intentions – RM & JM - & Ed & Michelle Martin
Wed. - May 17	- 10 am	- Patrick & Theresa Flynn – Charlie Kenny
Thurs. - May 18 (St. John 1)	- 10 am	- Brent English – Edward Rodgers
Fri. - May 19	- 7 pm	- Ronald O'Brien – Rita Lawlor
Sat. - May 20	- 4 pm	- Madeline & Dennis English & family – Laurie Family
Sun. - May 21	- 9:30 am - 11:00 am	- All Parishioners - Clement Walsh – Eric J. Purcell

CONFESSIONS - Saturdays - **3:00 pm – 3:45 pm**
Sundays - **8:45 am – 9:15 am**
Wednesdays - **10:30 – 11:00 am**
or by appointment

PARISH COLLECTIONS:

		May 6 & 7
Sunday offering env. -	\$2,801.00	Sunday offering loose - \$374.35
Initial offering env. -	\$ 25.00	Maintenance off. env. - \$160.00
Holy Thursday -	\$ 10.00	Development & Peace - \$ 10.00
Papal Charities -	\$ 5.00	In Memoriam - \$ 50.00
Total -	\$3,435.35	

Received with deep appreciation and gratitude.

OFFICE CLOSED - the Parish office will be **closed Friday, May 19th.**

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ADOPTION PROJECT: Blessed Trinity Council K of C support their adopted children through the recycling project. Recycling is very easy – just drop off your recycling at the depot in Manuels – check in at machine on the right – enter 8349481-follow prompts, place labels on bags. Please be sure that all covers are removed from the bottles. The Knights need all the help they can get with this very important project. Recyclables will gladly be accepted at the church as well. Thank you for your support.

MINISTRIES:

Saturday, May 20 - 4:00 PM

1st R - Muriel Lewis
2nd R & IP - Dave Locke
Usher - Mary Ryan – Jim Woodrow
OFF
EM - Lorna Clark
S - Anne Petten

Sunday, May 21 - 9:30 AM

Lector - Brendan Murphy
Usher - Ray Rossiter
OFF - Peter & Cynthia Jardine
EM - Carol Barron
S - Carol Gollop

Sunday, May 21 - 11:00 AM

Lector - Myrna Power
Usher - Ed Philpott
OFF - Dave Kenny
EM - Patricia Power
S - Myrna Power



Happy Mother's Day !

**SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
MAY 14, 2023**



Anyone who receives my
commandments and keeps them
will be one who loves me; John 4:21

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Parish Priest – Fr. James Fleming
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Liturgy Committee Chair – Monika Behr
Finance Council Chair – Steve Dray

OFFICE HOURS
Monday – Friday – 8:30 am – 4:30 pm
Closed daily 12 -1 pm