

## **Notices: 17 Feb 2008**

(Lunch available in Emmaus Rm after liturgy)

**The Primate of the Anglican Church of Canada**, Archbishop Fred Hiltz, will be in the parish of the Resurrection on Sunday evening, Feb 17 at 7pm for Holy Eucharist. The deanery clergy will also be gathering. Please make every effort to come out to this significant event.

Please pray for and mark on your calendars the **Parish's Anniversary Mission** with Bishop Pitman on 22 to 25 of February.

**Friday, Feb 22**, 6:30pm: Pot Luck supper & first address.

**Saturday, Feb 23**, 4pm: Pizza, Youth & Bishop;

7pm: worship, 2<sup>nd</sup> address, healing ministry.

**Sunday, Feb 24**, 9am: breakfast & 3 address.

11am: Holy Eucharist & 4<sup>th</sup> address.

**Personal automatic bank deposits** for your financial contributions to the parish (verses church envelopes) is practiced in many churches today. It is a convenient way to ensure your regular donation even when weather or other circumstances keep you away. It is obviously good for the parish because it ensures a more regular cash flow to meet the weekly and monthly financial demands. The vestry has agreed to make this form of contribution available to those interested in the parish. Our treasurer, Bob Bishop, has been working with the Bank of Montreal (the parish's bank) to make this possible, and is now available to parishioners. Please give this option consideration.

Lenten Wednesday evening liturgy will begin February 20<sup>th</sup>, 6:30pm in the Oratory.

**The Marriage Course:** Our marriages are the most important relationship in our lives, yet most of us will agree that we pour most of our energy and time into our work or other commitments. Would you like to learn new ways to strengthen your relationship and have fun doing it? Come to our Marriage Course where you will enjoy a lovely meal for two, watch an informative video, and have private time to discuss issues dealt with on the video. If you are interested contact Gladys at 528-4247 or Fr. Gerald at 786-7808.

**Home based, Small Group Ministry:** The parish is in the process of starting small group, home based ministries. These groups would be from 6 to 12 people in size, would meet weekly in someone's house to discuss the Bible and the life of faith, and to support and care for one another, and are lay led. These groups are under the pastoral direction of the pastor. If you are interested or want more info, contact Gladys or Father Gerald.

Monday night Christian Education 7:30pm: an **eight week exploration of the Old Testament**. This program, written and produced by well known author, Philip Yancey, includes a short video and discussion groups. The eight sessions are:

- is the Old Testament worth the effort?
- understanding the Old Testament.
- Job: seeing in the dark.
- Deuteronomy: a taste of bittersweet.
- Psalms: spirituality in every key.
- Ecclesiastes: the end of wisdom.
- The prophets: God talks back.
- Advance echoes of a final answer.

Come along, bring a friend and your Bible.

**Youth Café** (1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday evenings of each month): **The Quest Program** is now being offered for our youth. Any questions contact Valerie Westcott or Sharon Myrden.

Those leading the various ministry's in the parish, an annual report on the activities of 2007 are now due. Please pass in to Father Gerald.

- 2007 receipts are available in Emmaus Room.
- families who have not yet filled out children's church registration forms, please do so.

**Life in the Eucharist:** has begun. Let us keep them in our prayers as they prepare to enter more fully into the Communion of Christ.

**Confirmation:** any person interested in the sacrament of confirmation (grade 6 & up) contact Father Gerald.

**Guatemala Mission:** Lyn & Larry of our parish will be part of a team led by Canon Shirley Noseworthy to do a mission to help relieve 3<sup>rd</sup> world poverty in Guatemala in Sept 2008. The vestry is sponsoring this mission. Please begin praying for & making donations (through the parish) for this very important work.

- Guatemala donations are to be put in marked envelopes and collected with the offertory on Sundays.

- an Air Miles business account to receive all donations has been set up: Collector # 84021182936, Account Name: Stephan and Associates, Larry Stephan.

The vestry has approved the **installation of a door from the nursery to the oratory**. This will allow more ease for families to move in and out of the oratory during the liturgy of the Word.

**For the comfort & safety of all**, parents are asked to be watchful of their children in Emmaus Rm. And again for safety reasons, no children are permitted in the kitchen.

**Spiritual Reading Group:** Wednesday's, 2pm in Emmaus Room. "Living Jesus" by Luke Johnson.

**Wednesday Eucharist** celebrated weekly at 12:15 in the Oratory.

**Vespers & Christian Meditation** (Lectio Divina), Sunday's at 6:30pm.

**Meditation** in chapel on Wednesdays at 11:30am.

**Breakfast & Bible Study**, Sundays at 9am.

**Adult Christian Education** Monday's at 7:30pm.

**Lunch available in Café** daily (except Saturdays).

Next **Pot Luck Lunch:** last Sunday of February.

Next **Parish Breakfast:** Sunday of the Parish Mission

Next **Senior's Café** 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of March. For more info contact Fr.Paul.

Next **Youth Café:** 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday in March.. For more info contact Valerie Westcott or Sharon Myrden.

**Children's Church** takes every Sunday morning during the liturgy. Please invite, encourage, and welcome our younger families.

- Parking in front of windows at entrance to Emmaus room is "BLUE" parking for families with infants or with difficulty walking.

**Envelopes:** for any new comers to our parish family, or for those who may be re-joining us, your responsible financial contribution to the parish is of course very important. Envelopes available on table at entrance to Oratory.

**Stain Glass donations:** there are 2 windows left to the Resurrection Series (Emmaus Journey & Pentecost). If any family is considering making a stain glass donation, contact Fr.Gerald.

- A family has indicated an interest in sharing in the cost of installing one of the stain glass windows. If any other family is interested in sharing the cost of a window, contact Fr.Gerald.

### **Free will offering**

It is your free-will offering, Sunday to Sunday, that has to cover our operating needs. Now that we are in our new house for the Church, please take more ownership of our shared ministry and mission, and ensure that your free-will offering is consistent and proportional (to your income). Your offering is absolutely necessary for our operational and ministry needs.

**The Church needs your support.** Please remember the Parish of the Resurrection when making your wills.

*The Lord Jesus calls us to be a welcoming and Spirit-filled community. As we gather from Sunday to Sunday, and throughout the week, please make the opportunity to greet and love those whom you don't YET know.*

### **Parish Leadership Team**

Administrator: Alfred Efford 786-4117; Wardens: Mary Jane Norman 528-3435; Boyd Greenland; Treasurer: Bob Bishop 528-4669; Adult Christian Education: Gladys Harvey 528-4247; Pastoral Visiting: Hubert Somerton 528-4835; Emmaus Room Café: Bob Bishop 528-4669; Sexton: Albert Wilson 786-2975.