

Restoration Society

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UPCOMING PARISH FUNDRAISING EVENTS

March 14—St. Patrick's Day Luncheon and other events to celebrate our Patron Saint.

April 12— Titanic Remembered in 3rd class — A catered Roast Beef Dinner with words and music of the Titanic.

May/June—Parish Spring Fair – Exact date to be determined!

Lenten Mission

Blessed Mother Teresa of Calcutta Parish

Lenten Mission 2015, APOSTOLIC EXHORTATION, *EVANGELII GAUDIUM* OF THE HOLY FATHER FRANCIS (The Joy of the Gospel) Speaker: Fr. Jean Marc Laporte, S.J.-- Mon. March 9—Wed. March 11, 2015. Details: Mon. March 9th—7:00 pm: Liturgy of the Word, Tues. March 10th—7:00 pm: Penitential Ser-

Complementary copies of the Word Among us for all Lenten celebrations (daily, Sundays and Holy Week) have been placed in the Church pews. You may wish to take them for your own personal use during Lent or just leave them in the pews during our Lenten Season.

14 February 2015 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time



St. Patrick's Church

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Parish Council Chair: **Rick Butler**
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Mass time Sundays: 10:00 a.m.

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time (February 22)

Read 1: Genesis 9.8-15

Read 2: 1 Peter 3.18-22

Gospel: Mark 1.12-15



Lent is a time of renewal for the whole Church, for each community and every believer.

When we are healthy and comfortable, we forget about others: we are unconcerned with their problems, their sufferings and the injustices they endure... Our heart grows cold. As long as I am relatively healthy and comfortable, I don't think about those less well off. Today, this selfish attitude of indifference has taken on global proportions, to the extent that we can speak of a globalization of indifference.

Indifference to our neighbour and to God represents a real temptation for us to hear once more the voice of the prophets who cry out and trouble our conscience. *Excerpt from His Holiness Pope Francis message for Lent 2015.*

Jesuit Centre of Spirituality 2287 Brunswick St. —902-429-7344: The Parish is blessed to have the Jesuit Centre just down the street. Under the direction of Father Jean-Marc Laporte, S.J. who is also Priest-in-Charge of our Parish, the Centre welcomes people of all faiths into their home for day retreats, residential retreats, workshops and programs. The Centre is also supported by Father Trevor Scott, S.J. and a number of staff associates who are available to give individual spiritual direction.

Upcoming Events

Monday, February 16—A time aside: Mini Retreat Day : *The Triune God*—10 am to 2:30 pm. Suggested Offering \$25. Grow in knowing God more personally; input from Ignatius Loyola and the Scriptures. Private prayer. Lunch provided.

Saturday, February 21st—Silent Retreat:

Lent: Repent and believe the good news.

Begins at 9 am and ends by 5 pm. Luncheon, nutrition breaks and Eucharist. Suggested offering: \$35.

Seminar Series: March 4, 18—April 8, 22 (7 to 9 pm)

The Joy of Pope Francis—Gentle breeze and powerful wind. Father Jean-Marc will lead this 4-part series. Pope Francis' first apostolic exhortation, *The Joy of the Gospel*, invites all of us to bring the Gospel to others, as he does, with joy. This letter bears a careful reading, reflection, prayer and discussion. What does it mean for us in our own context? Suggested offering: \$25 per session; \$75 for all four.