



## Hoping For Faith

Today's gospel seems so familiar, maybe because most of us have been Doubting Thomas at some time in our lives. We haven't seen the physical body of Jesus, yet, we want to believe in the Jesus who said, "I am the Living One. I was dead, and now I am to live forever and ever." We try, we pray, "Lord, I believe--help my unbelief," we read inspiring books. Still, our desire to "place my fingers into the holes in His hands and feet and side" never goes away. Why is this? Because faith is always a process of coming to know and love God. "The desire for God is written in the human heart...", because we are "created by God and for God." Think about the profound intimacy this conveys: from the first moment of life, we are living our lives in communion with God. In the trials and noise of life, we do not always feel the beat of God's heart, God's arms around us, God calling our name tenderly. So, how do we believe and respond to God while we live in this body, and in this world that our great-grandparents used to call "the valley of tears"? Jesus said, "Happy are those who have NOT seen and yet believe." Faith waxes and wanes, and demands "Every effort of intellect, a sound will, 'an upright heart,' as well as the witness of others who teach (us) to seek God." (Cath. Catech., Sec. 30) This means reading, thinking, showing up for some faith formation nights at church, talking with your family about deep questions. It also means making decisions by what is fair, moral, and good. This Easter season is a chance to stop, read, and pray more than usual. Finally, we need the community of good friends in faith, mentors, wiser souls to help us seek wisdom and faith. St. Paul says faith is the "substance of things hoped for"—so watch carefully what you are hoping for! **Go rejoicing to love and serve our God!**

### MASSES FOR THIS WEEK

Tues.	Apr. 13	9:00 am	RIP Anne Cherniski	Pat Dinsdale & Family
		9:00 am	RIP Mildred Dinsdale	Pat Dinsdale & Family
		9:00 am	RIP Vital	Teresa
Wed.	Apr. 14	7:30 am	RIP Anthony Fillion	Fillion Family
		7:00 pm	Jeff Turcotte	Knights of Columbus
Thurs.	Apr. 15	9:00 am	RIP Gumieny & Radlinsky	The Family
		Fairview Home	10:30 am	RIP Monica O'Donohoe-Townsend
Fri.	Apr. 16	9:00 am	Fr. Roger Blondeel	Rebecca
		9:00 am	Allan Ross	Barry & Carolyn
		12:15 pm	RIP Monica Seitz	Bea Gross
		12:15 pm	Blaine Turner Family	Ken, Karen & Steven
Sat.	Apr. 17	10:00 am	Deceased Family Members	Ed Michalko
		7:30 pm	RIP Wilma Kichak	Bill & Family
		7:30 pm	RIP Emily Potvin	Martens Family
Sun.	Apr. 18	9:00 am	RIP Donnie, Alex & Bill	Gary & Gerry Walker
		10:30 am	RIP John & Annie Baraniuk	Eileen & Family
		12:30 pm	For All Parishioners	Fr. Dominic & Fr. James

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:** Ann Babiak, Marguerite Bicknell, Noreen Bicknell, Jean Boutellier, Irene Copet, Jules Declercq, Ann Delgaty, Leo Demers, Ron Ediger, Justin Enns, Rosaline Fedorkie, Mervin Fleury, Megan Gardham, Matthew Hrankowski, Brett Lawrence, Kathleen MacDougall, Paul Malabar, Millicent Mychasiw, Alisa Moran, Elsie Panchuk, Tony Petrucci, Minnie Plaseski, Linda Seitz, Coralie Serle, Gary Sproule, Jean Tarnowski, Doreen Thompson, Irene Toma, Ashely Kostecki Truax, Marian Vorspel, Rosa Weiss, Debbie Williams and all our shut-ins.

### CWL:

Why do I belong to the CWL? The CWL is a supportive sisterhood that enjoys having fun.

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter

### Catechism of the Catholic Church

#### 153-165: Characteristics of Faith

#### 441-445: Jesus, the only begotten Son of God

Mon. (Acts 4.23-31)  
(John 3.1-8)

Tues. **St. Martin I**  
(Acts 4.32-37)  
(John 3.7-15)

Wed. (Acts 5.17-26)  
(John 3.16-21)

Thurs. (Acts 5.27-33)  
(John 3.31-36)

Fri. (Acts 5.34-42)  
(John 6.1-15)

Sat. **Blessed Katéri Tekakwitha**  
(Acts 6.1-7)  
(John 6.16-21)

Sun. **3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter**  
(Acts 5.28-32, 40-41)  
(Revelation 5.11-14)  
(John 21.1-19)

**VOCATION VIEW:** You've got an incredible message to make credible. It is not like selling used cars! It is proclaiming eternal life, forgiveness and Great Love!



**THE WEEK AHEAD.....**

Mon.	12	Charismatic Prayer Group	7:00 pm
	12	St. Augustine Community Choir Practice	7:00 pm
Tues.	13	St. Vincent de Paul	9:30 am
	13	Legion of Mary	4:30 pm
	13	Confirmation Class	7:00 pm
Wed.	14	Catechism Class/1st Communion Practice	4:00 pm
	14	Youth Band Practice	6:00 pm
	14	Confirmation Class	7:00 pm
	14	RCIA	7:00 pm
	14	K of C Mass and Meeting	7:00 pm
Thurs.	15	Catechism Class/1st Communion Practice	6:30 pm
	15	Adult Formation	7:00 pm
	15	Choir Practice	7:30 pm
Fri.	16	Mass followed by Adoration	12:15 pm
	16	Confession	4:00-4:45 pm
	16	Benediction	5:00 pm
Sat.	17	Deanery Pastoral Council Meeting	10:30 am
	17	Face to Face Retreat	
	17	English Class	4:30-6:30 pm
Sun.	18	Face to Face Retreat	
	18	St. Augustine's Community Choir Practice	7:00-8:00 pm

**FINANCES:****RECEIPTS:**

Collection for Apr. 4, 2010	
Offertory Collection	\$
School Fund Collection	\$
Restoration Collection Apr. 4, 2010	\$

**Vigil Lamp**

The light burns in memory of  
Bob & Erna Ray  
week of April 12, 2010

**Stewardship Reflection**

We all believe in the resurrection without seeing it. Our belief has grown, and is being nurtured in our community of faith. However, belief does not lead to belonging; it is actually the other way around. As good stewards we pray that our parish will always foster a sense of belonging; with arms wide open, welcoming every person. When people see, or feel that they belong... then we nurture their desire to grow in their belief!

Stewardship Office, The Archdiocese of Winnipeg,  
[www.archwinnipeg.ca](http://www.archwinnipeg.ca)

**Adult Retreat:** Once again St. Augustine's is sponsoring a weekend retreat for adults. It will be held at the Peace Gardens, like last year. We will begin on Friday, April 23. The retreat will end on Sunday April 25. Father Dominic will say Mass for the retreatants late on Saturday afternoon. Confessions will also be offered and all night exposition and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Friday - Saturday. The theme for this retreat is: My Heart, Christ's Home.

**From Father Dominic's Desk:****Perpetual Vows-Sister Marie Therma**

Sister Therma will be making the solemn profession of her perpetual vows of poverty, chastity and obedience on Saturday, 1 May 2010 during the 10 AM mass. Everyone is invited to attend.

**Parish Ministry Appreciation Supper**

Mark your calendars now for Tuesday, April 20<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m. Everyone who is involved in a parish ministry, who gives of their time and talent so generously, is invited to a free meal in appreciation for your service to the parish community. Those involved in the finance council, parish council, liturgy, sacristy, environmental decorating, altar servers, readers, ushers, greeters, choirs, communion ministers at mass and to the shut ins, etc., this is your formal invitation to attend this meal of appreciation. Please call the Parish Office and leave your name with Pam if you will be attending.

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**"Let The Fire Fall" Catholic Conference** on the weekend of May 21-23 at St. Norbert Community Centre with His Grace Most Rev. Albert LeGatt, Archbishop of Saint Boniface; Fr. John Capuci from Massachusetts; Aggie Neck from Louisiana and Fr. Michael Sears from California. Come and join hundreds and experience lively worship, inspiring talks, healing services. For more information, see flyers in the church or visit [catholicrenewalservices.com](http://catholicrenewalservices.com) or contact CCRS at 895-7544 or [ccrs@catholicrenewalservices.com](mailto:ccrs@catholicrenewalservices.com).

**Theology on Tap!** - For young adults 18-35 years, on Wednesday, April 28<sup>th</sup> at 8 p.m. at the Double Decker. Please come along and join us!!

**May 15<sup>th</sup> Youth Raily in Winnipeg** - For youth grades 7-12. A bus will be going from our parish. Registration forms are available at the church entrances, please return to the parish office.