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Week of March 7, 2010

The Flowers in the Sanctuary today are to the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of:

Karen Kirchner, loved daughter of Steven & Dianne, sister of Christine

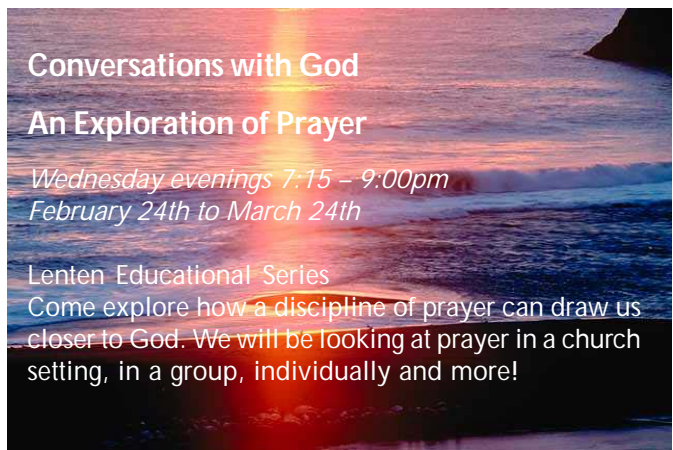
Lenten Folders are available for pick up on the Welcome Table. Money raised through Lenten folders is used to support various outreach projects.

Omega Group

Our next meeting will be held tomorrow, March 8th at 7:15pm in the Family Room. Emma Smith and Emily Johnson, our wonderful Rotary International Students, will be our guest speakers for the evening. Emma will speak about her year in Thailand and Emily will inform us of the selection process used to pick the students. Please join us at 7:15 for tea or coffee and stay to enjoy the talk. All are welcome.

Help for Haiti

Warm thanks to all who responded to a request for equipment to assist those whose legs were amputated following the recent earthquake. Denise Shaw, a Registered Nurse at Joseph Brant Memorial Hospital, left for Haiti last week to do relief work with Feed the Children Canada. St. Christopher's contributed 6 pairs of crutches, 12 canes, 6 walkers and a wheelchair to Denise's drive. Well done!



Conversations with God
An Exploration of Prayer
Wednesday evenings 7:15 – 9:00pm
February 24th to March 24th

Lenten Educational Series
 Come explore how a discipline of prayer can draw us closer to God. We will be looking at prayer in a church setting, in a group, individually and more!

Fresh Food Box

The next packing/availability day will be Tuesday, March 16th. Orders can be placed today. Please mark this date on your calendars if you are considering volunteering and please contact Anne Hay or Barry Ribbons if further information is required.

Don't have e-mail?

For those parishioners who do not have e-mail and would like to be notified of the death of a parishioner, please contact the office and we will attempt to set up a telephone chain.

Children and Family Resource Centre

The bright blue bookcase in the Narthex is for children and families to enjoy and use. Books and other resources are available for loan up to 3 weeks; please complete the sign-out sheet when borrowing and return resources promptly.

Please remember these people in your prayers:


- David Bell
- Tony Burns
- John Totten
- David Robinson
- Shawn Watters
- David Baldwin
- Alex Olaveson
- Bridgman family
- Gladys Hudspeth
- Brian Hamilton
- June Bland
- Betty Nancekivell
- Ernie McLean
- Mel Peace
- Rick Marshall
- John Aleksa
- Don Hicks
- Patricia
- Cathy Morgan
- Mavis Lehman
- Jack Walton
- Jean Kennedy
- Nancy Killoran
- Jackson Swire
- Marco Wilson
- Heather Boyd
- Wendy Tomlinson

Mom-to-Mom Sale

Saturday, March 27th 9am - 1pm
Tables are available for \$10. Enquiries to Sue Nicolls at 905.634.1809.



FOOD!
"When I was hungry, you fed me ..."
Food for the hungry – every donation counts!



Add something to your shopping list this week and make a difference for others in Lent. Please bring your Food Drive donations to Church and leave them on the table in the Narthex. **This week we need pasta and sauce. Next week, March 14th side dishes and Hamburger Helper.**

There is also a box for donations of gluten-free food; for those suffering from allergies, this is really helpful. Gluten Free pasta is readily available! THANK YOU for your support. After Easter, our Youth Groups will be taking these donations to Partnership West Food Bank to deliver and sort and hear about the work done there in our community to feed the hungry.

Mike Needs . . .

Mike requires old shirts for kids' crafts. Please drop off shirts or t-shirts to Room 1.



Support our **Parent Connection** group by helping to provide child care on Wednesday mornings from 10am - 11:30am. Please speak with Mike or Sue for more details.

Food for Funds - and those Chicken Pies!!

WOW - Last Sunday was an amazing day - Gold Medals in every direction with a special award to St. Christopher's parishioners for reaching the podium. We raised \$2417.00, when the folk at the 11:15 service purchased the last ones. **A one-day sell-out!!** To everyone involved in the production line, under the inspiring leadership of Anne and Ian Hay, to those who lent a hand, to our benefactors who picked up the tab for all expenses, and to all who purchased the end product - THANK YOU SO MUCH.



Nametags

Please remember to wear your nametag on Sundays so we may greet you by name! It's also a great way for our newcomers to get acquainted faster. If you have misplaced your nametag, please contact the office and we will be pleased to prepare a new one.

Please take a moment to check out the **Community Fundraising Bulletin Board** next to the Cluster boxes in the Narthex. There are many worthwhile causes which you may wish to support.

Burlington Leadership Prayer Breakfast

Special Guest Speaker - Ann Mulvale

Thursday, April 15, 2010

6:45 am Hot Buffet 7:15 - 9:00 am Program Burlington Convention Centre, 1120 Burloak Drive

For tickets contact Margie Swire at 905 632-3422



Please be considerate of those in our parish who suffer from allergies and refrain from using perfumes, aftershave lotion, or scented hair spray.

Birthdays/Anniversaries This Week:

Birthdays

Gord Russell
John Lackey
Graham Nicolls
Inez Morales
Michael Jank
Ashante Daley
Cherie Rudge
Daniel Guther
Ray Tyrrell
Nathan Pollard
Jason Parsons
Steve Brooks

Mary Neil
Lesley Landers
Sarah Morelli
Gerry Norman
Paige Collins
Lois Lackey
Laura Nelson
Barb Brown
Margaret Clay
Bill Schnurr
Steven Kuntz
Mike Desjardins

Anniversaries

Ted & Brenda Brouwers (33rd)
Greg & Lisa Morelli (17th)

Services This Week

Tuesday 7:00pm Holy Eucharist
Thursday 9:30am Holy Eucharist

Services Next Sunday, March 14th

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist
11:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist
Child Care provided at the 9:30 & 11:15 Services

Next Week's Readings:

Ist Reading: 2 Cor. 5: 16-21 Gospel: Luke 15: 1-3, 11-32

Meetings & Activities This Week:

Sunday	5:00pm	Middle School Youth Group
	7:00pm	High School Youth Group
Monday	9:30am	Fitness Class & Coffee Break
	7:15pm	Omega Group
	7:30pm	Band Practice
Tuesday	9:00am	Men's Cooking #1
	2:00pm	Seniors' Social
	4:00pm	Open Doors
	4:00pm	Kids' Club/Tween Club
	6:00pm	Community Dinner
	7:00pm	Stewardship Committee
Wednesday	9:30am	Fitness Class & Coffee Break
	10:00am	Parent Connection
	4:00pm	Confirmation Class
	7:15pm	Lenten Educational Series
Thursday	10:30am	Bible Study
	4:00pm	SHINE
	6:30pm	Guitar Group
	7:30pm	Senior Choir Practice
	7:30pm	Mending the Spirit
Friday	9:30am	Fitness Class & Coffee Break
Saturday	10:00am	Open Doors