



ST. PHILIP'S PARISH

SERVING THE PEOPLE OF GOD IN CENTRAL LAMBTON
EST. 1867 HOLY ROSARY (1867-2007) ST. ANNE (1866-1974)

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February 21, 2021.

Welcome Back

With the lifting of restrictions, we are happy to be able to celebrate the Eucharist together. We are permitted to have 30% capacity and will follow the same protocols as before.

Face masks **MUST** be worn at all times while in the church.

Prior to the start of each Mass this weekend, Father will give communal penance. Immediately following Mass, Father will distribute ashes to those who wish to receive them.

Fr. Francis is available to hear confessions. Please contact him to arrange a time. 519-882-2057, ext 21

Saturday 5:00 pm, Sunday 9:00 & 11:00 am

Intentions of All Parishioners

Monday, February 22nd

No Mass

Tuesday, February 23rd 7:00 pm

† James & Ann Gleason

Offered by Cathy Brinston

Wednesday, February 24th 8:30 am

† Tony Beaulieu

Offered by Norm & Phyllis Sutherland

Thursday, February 25th 8:30 am

† Paul Bogaert

Offered by The Parish Family

Friday, February 26th 8:30 am

† Giovanni Bolzon

Offered by Liliana Bolzon

Saturday, February 27th 8:30 am

† Rosa & Hans Kaufmann

Offered by Tony & Rita Felder

First Sunday of Lent

Today's first reading reminds us of the Noachic covenant of love God made with all creation—a covenant which, in the second reading, Peter tells us prefigures our baptism and is sealed for all eternity by the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

On our wedding day we vowed to be true to each other, to love and honour each other all the days of our lives. This amazing promise gives us a small glimpse into the covenant God has made with his people. Our marriage covenant blesses us with extraordinary joy and the challenge of self-emptying love. Likewise, God's love is both a gift and an invitation.

Immediately after receiving his Father's blessing and promise of steadfast love at his baptism, Jesus was sent into the wilderness. As we enter the Lenten season, we too are called to deepen our covenant with God by entering our own wilderness. Through fasting, prayer and giving this Lenten season, we deepen our relationship with God and neighbour, which in turn prepares our hearts for the extraordinary joy of Easter. God patiently waits for us to ask, "Make me to know your ways, O Lord: teach me your paths. His covenant with us is a promise to be with us always, even in the desert. Like Jesus, may we emerge from the desert ready to proclaim the good news.

Michael & Vanessa Nicholas-Schmidt Toronto ON.

First Reading: Genesis 9.8-15

Psalm: 25

Second Reading: 1 Peter 3.18-22

Gospel: Mark 1.12-15

Receipts for donations for the 2020 tax year have been mailed, from both the Parish and St. Vincent de Paul.

St. Philip's January, 2021, Month End	
Year to Date Operating Financial Position:	
Income: \$10,774.32	Expense: \$13,413.30
Net Loss: (\$2,638.98)	

Dispensation from the Sunday obligation is extended to, and includes, Pentecost Sunday.

If you have any questions or concerns, Denise, our parish secretary can be reached at dannett@dol.ca or on her personal cell phone 519-384-9588.