



# 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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## Welcome

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.

Stations of the Cross will be held following Tuesday evening Mass.

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

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

Intentions of All Parishioners

**Monday, March 8th**

No Mass

**Tuesday, March 9th 7:00 pm**

† Paul Bogaert

Offered by Henry Laevens & Family

**Wednesday, March 10th 8:30 am**

† Eleanor Parr

Offered by the Parish Family

**Thursday, March 11th 8:30 am**

† Tony Beaulieu

Offered by St. Philips CWL

**Friday, March 12th 8:30 am**

† Rosemary Dalziel sister of Ed Walsh

Offered by the Parish Family

**Saturday, March 13th 8:30 am**

† Mike & Maureen Noftall

Offered by Robert & MaryBeth Edgar

## Third Sunday of Lent

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As we listen to today's readings, we do well to remember that Jesus himself was a Jew. The Ten Commandments (the first reading) were fundamental to Jesus, as they are to both Jews and Christians today.

At Passover, many people were coming to the temple in Jerusalem to offer a sacrifice—an animal or a dove. Some individuals saw this as a wonderful business opportunity. Why not ignore the holiness of the temple and set up shop there for a few days? The Gospel passage describes a tense confrontation between Jesus and these individuals, who may even have thought of themselves as religious but who were choosing their personal gain over God. Jesus' love for the Father inspires his strong reaction.

This episode invites us to journey deeper into Lent, examining the consistency between our own faith and our intentions and actions. Do "the precepts" - the teachings of our faith—revive and enlighten us, as the psalmist says? Are we growing in love of God and for others? Are we loving ourselves—caring for our own body, mind and spirit? When we live according to God's law, the psalmist promises, this law will "rejoice our hearts." Of course, we face many challenges and distractions. In the Gospel, Jesus gives us hope as he points to his coming victory over sin and death.

Beth Porter

Richmond Hill, ON

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First Reading: Exodus 20.1-17

Psalm: 19

Second Reading: ! Corinthians 1.18,22-25

Gospel: John 2.13-25

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## Sacraments

We are in the planning stages for First Reconciliation and First Communion, as well as Confirmation. If you know someone that attends the public school system, please reach out to them, and ask them to contact the office for more information.

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

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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.