



ST. PHILIP'S PARISH

SERVING THE PEOPLE OF GOD IN CENTRAL LAMBTON

EST. 1867 HOLY ROSARY (1867-2007) ST. ANNE (1866-1974)

Weekend Masses Saturday 5:00 pm Sunday 9:00 & 11:00 am

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Welcome

As you all know Lambton County moved into the Grey Zone on March 15. Capacity in the church has decreased to 15% capacity. That being said, we are still within the limits of the number of people able to attend in person Masses as our number of attendees remains low.

At this time we do not feel it necessary to implement any special registration for holy week Masses. Seating will be on a first come basis. If this changes we will update.

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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Intentions of All Parishioners

Monday, March 22nd

No Mass

Tuesday, March 23rd 7:00 pm

† Eleanor Parr

Offered by Laura & Ron Meredith

Wednesday, March 24th 8:30 am

† Rosemary Dalziel

Offered by Ed & Karen Walsh

Thursday, March 25th 8:30 am

† Paul Bogaert

Offered by Pauline Houle

Friday, March 26th 8:30 am

† Deceased Souls & Living Family Members

Offered by Mary Lois Levesque

Saturday, March 20th 8:30 am

† Anton Felder Reuggli

Offered by Tony & Rita Felder

Holy Week Mass Schedule

Holy Thursday

Mass of the Lord's Supper 7:00 pm

Good Friday

Celebration of The Passion of the Lord 3:00 pm

Easter Vigil

Resurrection of The Lord 8:00 pm

Easter Sunday

Resurrection of The Lord 9:00 am and 11:00 am

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

Fifth Sunday of Lent

Acknowledgment, openness and acceptance of what God want of us are central to what it means to be Christian.

Our Lenten prayer and fasting give us the strength to remain open to understanding what God wants of us, acknowledging God's purifying grace that will wash us thoroughly "from our iniquity and cleanse us from our sin," and accepting God's will with "a new and right spirit."

Through this willingness to be ever open to God's call, we enter in a new covenant and a new life, one in which God is our guarantor. It is only when we allow God to write in our hearts what is being asked of us that our covenant with God is assured.

In the Annunciation (which we commemorate later this week), Mary gives us a magnificent example of acknowledging God's invitation, opening her heart and accepting what she is being called to do. Our response, like Mary's, must be unreserved and unconditional.

Even Jesus "in the days of his flesh" offered up prayers and supplications. We need to acknowledge that we must die to ourselves and be open to God's word. Through our acceptance we will "bear much fruit."

Let us remember, as the Gospel reminds us, that when Christ is lifted up, we will also share in the glory of his resurrection.

Jack Panozzo

Toronto, ON

First Reading: Jeremiah 31.31-34

Psalm: 51

Second Reading: Hebrews 5.7-9

Gospel: John 12.20-33

Solidarity Sunday

This Sunday, the fifth Sunday of Lent, parishioners across Canada will be celebrating Solidarity Sunday. This day is part of Development and Peace - Caritas Canada's annual Share Lent campaign, whose theme this year is Share Love, Share Lent. In Fratelli Tutti, Pope Francis reminds us that "Solidarity means much more than engaging in sporadic acts of generosity. It means thinking and acting in terms of community. It means that the lives of all are prior to the appropriation of goods by a few. It also means combatting the structural causes of poverty, inequality, the lack of work, land and housing, the denial of social and labour rights". Please support the Share Lent campaign by contributing through your parish or online at <https://www.devp.org/en>. On Sunday March 21st at 1 pm, Development and Peace working with Salt + Light Media, will air a special program on the work of Development and Peace followed by the celebration of bilingual Mass. The Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Desrochers (Diocese of Pembroke). To tune in please visit <https://www.devp.org/en/sharelent2021/mass>.

St. Peters Cathedral Basilica in London, will be livestreaming all Holy Week Masses, beginning with Passion Sunday right through to Easter Sunday. Go to cathedral@dol.ca for their full schedule.

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.