

## Second Sunday of Lent February 25, 2018

*Today a great light bursts upon our Lent; the transfigured Christ. He will carry the wood of the cross on his back, lie on the altar to be sacrificed for us, and shine forth in glory after he has risen from the dead.*

**The Parish Lenten Penitential Service will be held Friday March 9 at 7 pm.**

**The Stations of the Cross will be held:**

**Fridays at 7 pm.**

March 2           Lead by Deacon Dan

**March 9 - Penitential Service**

March 16          Knights of Columbus

March 23          Catholic Women's League - followed by a Lenten Supper

March 30          Good Friday - Father Shroff

Thank you to all Leaders for supporting the prayerful life of our parish.

Making these Devotions part of our Lenten journey is an excellent way to enrich our life and the life of our Parish.

### **.North of 60 Project – Rankin Inlet**

The St. Vincent de Paul Conference of our Parish is participating in the National collection of food for the people in the Canadian Far North – Rankin Inlet, who are living in extreme poverty. Our Parish goal is to collect a total of 400 cans of fruit (398 ml size of peaches, pears, mandarins, etc.) and 400 snack size packages of applesauce (6 per package). We are asking for Brand name products with an expiry date of 2019 or later. A table is set up at the back of the church with more information and a box to drop off your donation. If you prefer to make a cash donation, envelopes are available and can be deposited in the SSVF box. Please note on the envelope, "North of 60". Thank you for your generosity.

The Knights of Columbus (K of C) and the Catholic Women's League (CWL) will hold an open house on 4 March 2018. Members will be available at the foyer after all masses on that weekend. They will be able to answer any questions on their projects, charities, and what it means to be a member of these organization for you and your families. The K of C is open to all Catholic Gentlemen 18 years and older, while the CWL is open to all Catholic Ladies 16 years and above. The two organizations are involved in many aspects of the church activities, projects for our schools and financial and manpower support to a number of local charities.

**Good Shepherd Parish Bible Study.** The Spring session, beginning the week of April 9, 2018, for 11 weeks, will study Genesis. The course, using materials prepared by Little Rock Scripture Study, is offered 3 times a week - Monday evening, Wednesday morning and Wednesday afternoon. Application forms can be found on the bookshelf at the back of the church. Please apply by March 3, 2018. For further information contact [gsbiblestudy@rogers.com](mailto:gsbiblestudy@rogers.com)

**Offering for February 18, 2018**

Sunday Envelopes:	\$ 2622.00
PAC/Visa/MC	\$ 2660.00
Loose:	\$ 683.00
Total Collection:	\$ 5965.00

**Diocesan & Missionary Works \$ 1615.00**

Our financial requirements are approx. **\$8,000** per week to support our approx. **\$2,000** a week mortgage payment.

Dcn Dan's Corner

Transformation

On the mountain in front of His closest disciples, Jesus is transformed; and for a few brief moments, the glory of His divinity shines through His human body, and they see Him as He truly is, at the deepest level of His identity.

What happened to Jesus on the mountaintop over 2000 years ago was spectacular - but although it was about Jesus - it wasn't only about Him. Ultimately, the message of the Transfiguration is about us too - about the future that God holds in store for those who believe and who strive to follow in Jesus' footsteps.

At the heart of our faith is the belief that Jesus came into the world to transform us as well. He came to bring peace into a world of conflict; forgiveness into a world of revenge; to speak a message of love and compassion in God's name; and to help us re-discover who we really are as beloved children of God.

Jesus came into a world that was broken, selfish, violent and sinful.

But He came specifically to bring healing into that world - to reveal God's vision for humanity - based on mercy and generosity, on peace-making and trusting, on loving and seeking to serve others. He came to bring about a whole transformation in the way we think, and the way we live. And because of Him, we too can radiate God's light and allow Him to transform and empower us, so that through Jesus, we are able to do the things we could never do on our own.

And that's ultimately what our Baptism is about: uniting us to the glory of Jesus and inviting us into that light - not only for ourselves, but so that we can spread it to others, and be agents and instruments of healing, renewal, and hope. Jesus' transformation reminds us, not only of what once happened to Him, but also what will one day happen to us, when God renews and transforms us, and all of creation.

But there's no need to wait until that final moment of history. Every day, in our relationships and our conversations, we have the chance to bring a little more of God's light into our world, and touch people with hope and faith and love. The transformation of our world is ultimately God's doing—but He does it through us.

Let these weeks of Lent help to transform us in ways big and small, so that we can share that transformation with our brothers and sisters.

**Baby Bottle Drive for Miriam Centre:** The Miriam Centre is a charitable organization, which provides material and pastoral help to needy pregnant women and their families. The Centre does not receive government assistance and depends solely on donations. Baby bottles will be available in the Vestibule of the Church during this weekend. Kindly, take a bottle home place a donation inside and return the bottle to the church by Sunday 08 April. This is a good method of alms giving during the Lenten season. Thank you for assisting those in need through your prayers and financial support

## **INTENTIONS**

### **Saturday, February 24– Second Sunday of Lent (Anticipated**

#### **Mass)**

5:00 pm †Paul Casey req by the CWL  
†Maurice (Moe) Stafford req by the CWL  
†Rosemary Pantin req by the CWL  
†Lois McElliot req by Ted, Pat & family  
Mass of Thanksgiving to St. Anne req by Luzette  
Deceased members of the CWL

### **Sunday, February 25 – Second Sunday of Lent**

9:00 am †Frank Faure req by Carol Faure  
†Maurice (Moe) Stafford req by Ray & Marg Madden  
†Father James Whalen req by a Parishioner  
†Rosemary Pantin req by Jack & Dyann MacDonald  
11:15 am For Our Parishioners

### **Monday, February 26 – Second Monday of Lent**

9:00 am †Keith Moffett req by Nancy & family

### **Tuesday, February 27 – Second Tuesday of Lent**

9:00 am †Chiarina Bacile req by James & Lea Dunne

### **Thursday, March 1 – Second Thursday of Lent**

9:00 am †Maurice (Moe) Stafford req by Vince Keating

### **Friday, March 2 – Second Friday of Lent**

9:00 am †Narciso Cardenas Jr on the 6<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of his  
passing req by Marilou Storie & family

### **Saturday, March 3 – Third Sunday of Lent (Anticipated Vigil**

#### **Mass)**

9:00 am †Guenter Andrews req by Myrna Andrews  
5:00 pm †Jean-Guy Lauzon req by Gord & Linda Willick  
Intention of Johnna Toine Evangelii Villarosa  
Deceased family & friend's req by Joe & Monica Pereira

### **Sunday, March 4 – Third Sunday of Lent**

9:00 am For Our Parishioners  
11:15 am †Chiarina Bacile req by James & Lea Dunne  
†Rosemary Pantin req by M.A. Lefebvre  
†June Cheverie req by Alan & Donna Dunham  
Deceased members of the Knights of Columbus

*Please pray for our sick;*, Joe MacDonell, Rose Dugandzic, Romina Andrews, Lorretta Dillon-Robinette, Jean-Ella Lemire, Michael Nortey and John MacDonald.

*Please pray for our deceased*, including Evelyn (Ebbie) Ferguson, that she may be received into God's love.

#### **PRO LIFE CORNER**

Let us pray that as the apostles saw the glory of God in Jesus, so we may all see that every human life, even when frail and feeble, is a reflection of God's glory. Post abortion healing is available at [www.rachelsvineyard.org](http://www.rachelsvineyard.org) or call Lynda or Terry Munroe 613-806-5522 [rvr\\_ottawa@yahoo.ca](mailto:rvr_ottawa@yahoo.ca)