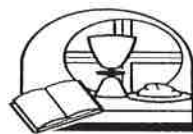


**Masses and Intentions-
Celebrating privately by
Fr. Chris**



Tuesday March 31 -St. Peter's intentions

✠ *Souls of McDonald & Flaman Families....
Peter & Janet McDonald*

✠ *Monique Rivard.....Janet & Gerry Barnier*

✠ *Alexina Phaneuf.....Paul & Carmel Belanger*

Wednesday April 1

✠ *John Camille Bourdeau.....Fr. Christopher*

✠ *Theo VanderPryt.....Leo & Liz Trudell*

✠ *Leon Gadal.....The Pellett Family*

Thursday April 2

✠ *Dec. Tim Raaymakers.....Lucianna Letourneau*

✠ *Alloya Wlusek.....Fr. Chris*

✠ *Don Jordon.....Fr. Chris*

Friday April 3

✠ *Msgr. William Bourdeau.....Fr. Christopher*

✠ *Leo Tourangeau.....Rose & family*

✠ *Souls in purgatory especially those most abandoned and devoid of help.....A parishioner*

Sunday April 4

For all of the Parishioners of the Parish Cluster

Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you have already come and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen. – St. Alphonsus Liguori

Act of Love

I believe thou art present in the Blessed Sacrament, O Jesus. I love thee and desire thee. Come into my heart; I embrace thee. O never leave me. I beseech thee, O Lord Jesus, may the burning and most sweet power of thy love absorb my mind, that I may die through love of thy love, who wast graciously pleased to die through love of my love. Amen. – St.

Francis of Assisi

Thank you for your offerings-Lord, may these offerings extend the work of your Kingdom, in your Church, your community, and into the beautiful world you have made.

St. Francis Xavier March 15 2020

St. Peter's

Thank you to those who make up for the Sundays they miss.

Dear Parishioners, Unfortunately due to the Covid-19 virus we have had to temporarily cease public worship and public gatherings. We realize these are difficult times with many uncertainties. However the "church" is still operating i.e.– heating, phone, electricity bills and staff salary still need to be met. We will still be celebrating Mass "online", reaching out to you through our "Care Calls", and creating bulletins that will go out to our Nursing homes and made available online. We would greatly appreciate your continuing financial help. If you choose to do so you may mail us your weekly envelopes. Our mailing address for St. Francis Xavier is Box 1029 Tilbury Ont. N0P 2L0. For St Peter's it is Box 7, Tilbury, Ont. N0P2L0. If you are uncomfortable with this we are arranging to have a "mail chute" installed at St. Francis Xavier into the steel exit door at the right side of the new entrance, which will be plainly marked out. Parishioners of St. Peters may use this mail chute as well. Also if you have not signed up for preauthorized payment this would really simplify matters. We will put the preauthorized payment form online—follow the instructions. Continue to check our website tilburycatholic.ca for further info .

St. Francis, St. Charles Cemetery— Please note that as of April 1st the price of a grave opening will be increased. Also we are asking that you please come out to the cemetery and remove all of the old flowers and decorations on your loved ones grave. Please have this done by March 31. If you have not done so by then the cemetery staff will remove them. Thank

Please pray for the sick in our faith community Katherine Moon, Oliver Reed, William Reaume, Rose Duquette, Christopher Powers, Pauline Quenneville, Irene Vella-Zarb, Shirley Houle , Lawrence Salive, Megan Patrick, Earla Zemmicky, Vivian Tellier, Bernice Labonte, Sue Cabral, Shirley Mailloux, Jim Brosseau, David Bellemore, Evelyn Gore, Marc Roszell, Laurence Marchand, Cheryl Renaud and Fr. Hurley . If you know of anyone who no longer needs to be on the list, please call the office

St. Francis C.W.L. Intentions for March

1. Theme: Care for our Common home.
2. For the protection of life at all stages.
3. To spend time with those who are lonely.
4. For the preservation of our water supply for future generations.
5. For those students receiving the sacrament of Reconciliation.

FYI St. Francis and St. Peter's Churches will be closed at least until April 30th. There will be no functions of any type going on. Please go to our website and our facebook pages for any updates.



For those who were participating in our Grief Share program, please go to Grief-share.com and use their useful information online. We are with you in your grief journey—you are not alone !

Saint of the Week: April 2-St. Francis of Paola (1416-1507), a layman was attracted to the Franciscan friars. He founded the Order of Minims, which embraced humility and acts of non-violence. The community had a strong devotion to the five wounds of Christ and the Virgin Mary. Many miracles connected to the sea have been attributed to him; therefore, he is the patron saint of navigators and naval officers.

Sunday March 29

5th Sunday of Lent - Lazarus



For "Whom the Bell Tolls" is a novel by Ernest Hemingway published in 1940. Usually when we hear this phrase we think of it as something ominous - the tolling of bells at funerals etc. But bells also speak of hope, the ringing of bells in celebration and solidarity. Kathy Cottingham gave me the idea of ringing the bells at St. Francis Xavier and St. Peter's - I added the notion of doing it whenever we celebrate Mass privately in the church or webcast a Liturgy of the Word and Spiritual Holy Communion, Rosary or Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, so when you hear the bells ring, know that they are ringing for you - we are praying for you and for all.

This Sunday's Gospel introduces us again to the figure of Lazarus. We know of him as the brother of Mary and Martha- intimates of Jesus. Jesus often would spend his "down time" with them and be renewed by their friendship and love as we are with our friends.

Lazarus is ill, Jesus delays. This is disturbing.

Jesus elicits faith from Martha, do you believe this ? I am the Resurrection and the Life, do you believe this ?

Martha , "Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God...."

"Take away the stone...Lazarus, come out !"

What keeps us in the tomb, what keeps us in the dark, isolated, bound with wrappings of fear? What immobilize us, keeps us from change or growth or action. Turn to the Risen Lord who binds all sin and darkness - bring all that needs to be exposed to the light, to His light - hear the words, " Come out", unbind him/her, let them go." Experience new life in Christ !

Have a blessed week!

Rev. C.J. Bourdeau