

# Fourth Sunday of Lent- Laetare Sunday

## MARCH 14, 2021

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>5:00 p.m.</b>	• † Deceased members of the McKenna and Moore families
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	• † Michael McDonnell and † Liam Connolly by the McRae family • † Cecelia McCollum by Terry and Joan McMahon
	<b>11:00 a.m.</b>	• People of the Parish
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	• † Parish All Souls Intention
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	• Unannounced Intention
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>9:00 p.m.</b>	• † Charlie Byrne by Barbara and Kelly Byrne
<b>Friday</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	• † Parish All Souls Intention

## MARCH 21, 2021

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>5:00 p.m.</b>	• People of the Parish
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	• † Bill McCormick by Pat McCormick • Birthday Blessings for Molly Gordon by Alan and Anne Gordon
	<b>11:00 a.m.</b>	• † Jeannine Temelini by Rick and Marie Temelini • † Mary and † Brenda Volpe by Andre and the Volpe family • † Anne Clarke by Bill and Eileen Country

**Reconciliation** by appointment only

# HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY!

## REPONSORIAL PSALM

Let my tongue cling to my mouth if I do not remember you! – Psalm 137

## READINGS

First Reading – 2 Chronicles 36.14 – 17a, 19 – 23

Second Reading – Ephesians 2.4 – 10

Gospel – John 3.14 – 21

## ST. PATRICK'S DAY MASS

We will be livestreaming the 9:00 a.m. Mass on Wednesday, March 17

## POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR MARCH

Let us pray that we may experience the sacrament of reconciliation with renewed depth, to taste the infinite mercy of God.

## CONFESSION DURING LENT

There will be an opportunity for private confession with Fr. Paul or Fr. Tom on **Sunday, March 21, from 3:00 until 5:00 p.m. in the church.** You make an appointment with Fr. Paul for other times.

## NORMS FOR LENTEN OBSERVANCE IN THE OTTAWA-CORNWALL ARCHDIOCESE

- ❖ **Good Friday is a day of fast and abstinence.**
- ❖ Fasting binds all persons, 18 to 59 years, unless prevented by poor health. On days of fast, one full meal is allowed. Two other meals may be taken according to one's own needs. Eating between meals is not allowed, although fluids may be taken.
- ❖ Abstinence from meat binds all persons, 14 years and older, unless prevented by poor health. In the Archdiocese of Ottawa-Cornwall, the **consumption of meat is not allowed on Fridays during Lent.**
- ❖ Lent is a penitential season and religious practices such as daily Mass, Stations of the Cross, receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation, works of charity and justice, and acts of self-denial are encouraged.



*Scenes from the Life of St. Patrick*  
Published in 1603 by  
Flemish engraver Adriaen Collaert,  
The National Gallery of Ireland

## REFLECTION

Rejoice in the Lord! This Fourth Sunday of Lent is always about rejoicing. We rejoice because we have made it halfway through Lent! We rejoice because the Lord continues to call us His people and to draw us to Himself. We rejoice because we know that Jesus came in the flesh for us, died for us and is raised from the dead for us.

The readings today make us very aware that we are still sinful humans, called to grow in faithfulness and love. The first reading is from the Second Book of Chronicles and gives us the sad history that God's people were unfaithful and finally taken from their own land into exile in Babylonia. The story does not end there, however. Instead, this story gives us cause for rejoicing because God brings some of His people back to Judah, to Jerusalem, to rebuild the temple.

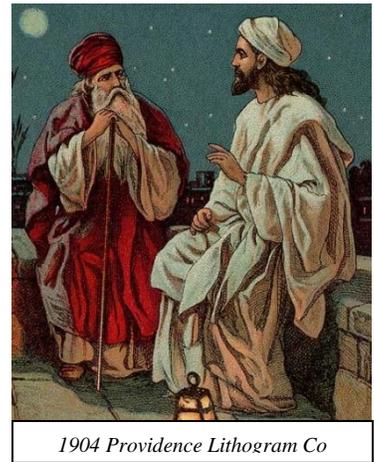
This reading shows a pattern that is repeated over and over in the life of our Jewish ancestors and also in the life of our Church. We humans find it difficult to remain faithful. When we are unfaithful, God allows us to suffer the consequences and then, quite often, at least a remnant will return to the Lord. Then there is rejoicing!

The second reading is from the Letter to the Ephesians and speaks again about our human failings and God's mercy. "God, even when we were dead in our transgressions, brought us to life with Christ. It is the gift of God."

Finally, today's Gospel from Saint John tells us "God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.... Whoever lives the truth comes to the light, so that his works may be clearly seen as done in God."

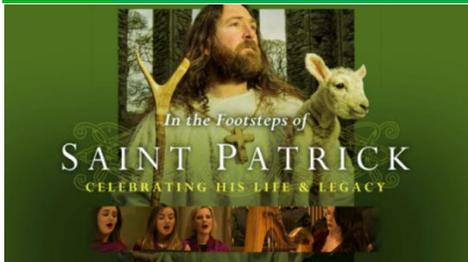
Our hearts are hardened, and our ears are closed and so often we do not listen to these words of the Lord. Even when we do listen to them, often we do not believe them. Today, on the fourth Sunday of Lent, when we should rejoice, let us open our hearts and listen to God. He only wants to tell us that He loves us and invites us to live a life of commitment to Him.

*Excerpted from. Fr. Fr. Abbot Philip Lawrence, OSB, Catholicforlife.com*



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## FAITH FORMATION - DISCOVER ST. PATRICK



With St. Patrick's Day just around the corner, focus on the patron saint of our parish by learning a bit more about his saintly life and his contributions to the Irish people. *In the Footsteps of St. Patrick* is an inspiring FORMED docu-drama and spiritual adventure that recreates Patrick's pilgrim journey through Ireland, using letters written by him, as well as Monastic records from the 10<sup>th</sup> Century. To watch this beautiful 30-minute video filmed in Ireland go to:

<https://watch.formed.org/in-the-footsteps-of-saint-patrick>. If you are not a FORMED subscriber yet, it is FREE and easy to join. Go to <https://formed.org> and *sign up as a parishioner*.

## STATIONS OF THE CROSS

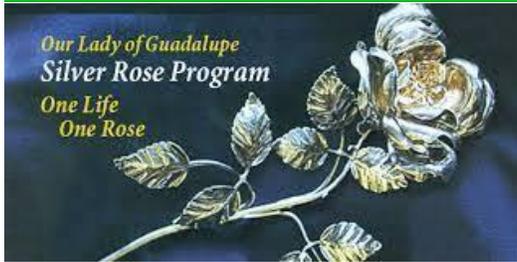
The Women's Retreat Team of Kingston, will be presenting a "Stations of the Cross Holy Hour" from **7:00 – 8:00 p.m. every Friday evening during Lent**. You are invited to join them for a time of prayerful and musical reflection and meditation on the Way of the Cross. This event is free. **CLICK HERE TO REGISTER**



## SHARE LOVE – SHARE LENT

Join Development and Peace each week of Lent to explore different aspects of their mission, featuring partners from Nigeria, Caritas Bangladesh, and Honduras. Please visit their website for more information and to register for webinars: <https://www.devp.org/en/region-events/sharelent2021>. or contact Stefany Dupont at [sdupont@devp.org](mailto:sdupont@devp.org). There will be a special collection for SHARE LENT in our parish, next **Sunday, March 21**.

## SILVER ROSE- KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS



Since 1960, the Silver Rose Program, originally called Operation Rose, has gathered Knights and Columbian Squires from Mexico, the United States and Canada under the mantle of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Americas. In the mid-1990s, it was adopted as a Supreme Council initiative, which grew to encompass multiple pilgrimage routes and to reaffirm the Order's commitment to the sanctity of human life.

This year, our Council at St. Patrick's will be receiving the Silver Rose from **March 17 to March 28**, thanks to the coordinating efforts of Michel Issa. It will be on display for our monthly online Rosary Recitation and on the altar during the weekend Masses of **March 20-21**. Should you wish to receive a special prayer card for this occasion, please contact Pierre Chartier at [fitt@rogers.com](mailto:fitt@rogers.com).

## LENTEN ONLINE HEALING MISSION

"I will restore you to health and heal your wounds." (Jeremiah 30:17) The mission will be led by Fr. Allan MacDonald, Fr. Francis Ching, and Fr. Ben St. Croix of the Companions of the Cross. Taking place **March 15, 16, and 17, from 7:00 - 8:15 p.m.** Register at [www.companionscross.org](http://www.companionscross.org)

## ENCOUNTER SCHOOL OF MINISTRY - OTTAWA CAMPUS

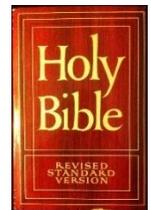
Witness the power of the Holy Spirit at work! Zoom Watch Party of the documentary "Fearless", followed by prayers for healing on **Tuesday, March 19, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.** For more information, contact Sr. Anna Chan at [ottawa@encounterschool.org](mailto:ottawa@encounterschool.org) or 613-729-8710.

## GOD SQUAD CONFERENCE 2021

'*St. Joseph, Sanctifier of the Hidden Life*' attend this online conference on **March 20, from 10:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. CST.** Free. Register at <https://godsquad.ca/2021-conference>.

## THE AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE BIBLE CONFERENCE

Are you seeking to grow in your love and knowledge of God's Word? Join some of the nation's most dynamic Scripture scholars on **Saturday, March 27 starting at 12:00 p.m. (EST)** for a one-day event that will be streamed via Zoom! This virtual event is free for all registrants! To register, go to: <https://bibleconference.augustineinstitute.org/#registration>



## 'BY MY SIDE PROGRAM' FOR SEPARATED AND DIVORCED CATHOLICS

The 6-week sessions begin on **Saturday, March 27**. Registrants will receive a private link to join, prior to their first session. The women's sessions are **9:00 – 11:00 a.m.** The men's sessions are **12:00 – 2:00 p.m.** The program, led from a Catholic faith exploration perspective, is designed to help participants find reconciliation, peace and healing, by taking positive steps in their daily spiritual life. Further information and registration at: [www.bymyside.ca](http://www.bymyside.ca) or on Facebook at: [facebook.com/bymysideott](https://facebook.com/bymysideott) or contact Mary Jane Manley at (613-294-1308). The cost is \$40.

## LIVING FAITH DEVOTIONALS

Last year the parish was able to provide these quarterly booklets to parishioners at no cost. We can no longer do that, however, if you would like to receive these devotionals, you can do so, by contacting the publishers directly at: [www.livingfaith.com](http://www.livingfaith.com).

## ST. PATRICK'S DAY PILGRIMAGE

Every year, a group of men walk from St. Patrick, Fallowfield to St. Patrick's Basilica. 'El Camino Saint Patrick' is departing from our church at 10:00 a.m. The walk is 25K and takes approximately 5-6hours. Please contact Alvaro Sanchez at 613-447-9314 for more information and to register.

## MARYVALE ACADEMY GALA

This year's gala, entitled 'Abounding in Hope', will be virtual and will take place on **Friday, March 19 at 7:30 p.m.** Prizes will be drawn for registrants from the Ottawa region. [Registration](#) is FREE! or donate today at [maryvalegala2021.ca](http://maryvalegala2021.ca)



## ADMENTS TO BILL C-7 POSE A DANGER TO THE DISABLED AND MENTALLY ILL

The House of Commons has accepted the Senate's amendments to Bill C-7 (Medical Assistance in Dying), which make it much easier for vulnerable Canadians to access assisted suicide and euthanasia putting them at increased risk. The amendments are: 1. Allowing people to write advance directives for euthanasia. 2. Removing the restriction on euthanasia for people whose primary diagnosis is mental illness. The amendments have been sent back to the Senate for approval. Please register your concern to your Member of Parliament by using the following link from the Coalition for Healthcare and Conscience: [canadiansforconscience.ca](http://canadiansforconscience.ca)

## ROME AND JERUSALEM: CATHOLIC-JEWISH RELATIONS II:

Online, via Zoom from Assumption University, Windsor. Given by Dr. John Cappucci. This course will explore the relationship between Catholics and Jews from the eighteenth century to the contemporary era. On **Saturday, March 20, from 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.** Cost: \$57. For Information and/or to register, contact: [www.assumptionu.ca/learnforlife](http://www.assumptionu.ca/learnforlife); 519-973-7033; or [cbertrand@assumptionu.ca](mailto:cbertrand@assumptionu.ca).

## DEMENTIA RESOURCES



The pandemic has made life especially hard on those with memory loss/dementia and their families. Free and confidential help is available to answer your questions or concerns from Dementia care coaches with the Dementia Society of Ottawa and Renfrew County. Contact them at: 613-523-4004 or at [dementiahelp.ca](http://dementiahelp.ca)

## NEWS FROM THE PARISH OFFICE

- ❖ The office is open to the public from 9:30 a.m. until 3:30 p.m., Tuesday through Friday.
- ❖ Tax receipts for 2020 church donations have been sent out by email. If you haven't received yours yet, please call the parish office or email **Kym** at [office@stpatricksfallowfield.com](mailto:office@stpatricksfallowfield.com).
- ❖ Donation boxes are available for pick-up from the Monsignor Baxter Hall, during office hours.
- ❖ Please welcome Mariamanda (Amanda) Espinoza, our new bookkeeper. She is in the office on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Please direct financial matters to her at: [finance@stpatricksfallowfield.com](mailto:finance@stpatricksfallowfield.com).
- ❖ A problem with our bank has meant that **pre-authorized deposits for February were not made**. We are working to fix the problem. If you do not wish for the February and March donations to be withdrawn at the same time, please contact the office.
- ❖ Do you want to know what is going on at the Parish or receive the bulletin by e-mail? Keep in touch with us by signing up for Flocknote - a text or e-mail service that keeps you in the know. Visit [stpatricksfallowfield.flocknote.com](http://stpatricksfallowfield.flocknote.com) or text SPFALLOWFIELD to 514-900-0130 to join our Flock!
- ❖ If anyone is interested in helping us with cleaning after Mass or in other ways, new volunteers are most welcome. Please contact Anita MacNeil directly at: [aemac63@gmail.com](mailto:aemac63@gmail.com).



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*"May the strength of God pilot us, may the wisdom of God instruct us, may the hand of God protect us, may the word of God direct us. Be always ours this day and for evermore."*  
Saint Patrick

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