

# Fifth Sunday of Lent

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
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	• † Doris Coogan by the family
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	• Unannounced Intention
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>9:00 p.m.</b>	• † Sheila Berrea by Earl and Ann Burnett
<b>Friday</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	• Birthday Blessings for Chelsea Graham by Anne and Alan Gordon
MARCH 27, 2021		
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>5:00 p.m.</b>	• Fr. Paul – for a speedy recovery
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	• People of the Parish
	<b>11:00 a.m.</b>	• † Larry Walsh by Carmel and Wayne Baker • † Kathryn Gillis by Jean Kennedy • † Timoteo Largo, Sr. by Josephine Gonato
<b><u>Reconciliation</u></b> by appointment only		

## REPONSORIAL PSALM

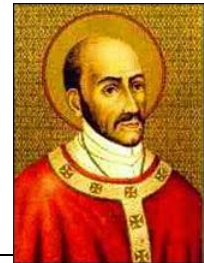
Create in me a clean heart, O God. – Psalm 51

## READINGS

First Reading – Jeremiah 31.31 – 34

Second Reading – Hebrew 5.7 – 9

Gospel – John 12.20 – 33



*Saint Turibius of Mogrovejo  
March 23*

## MASS TIMES FOR HOLY WEEK AND EASTER

**Palm Sunday** (March 27/28) Saturday at 5:00 p.m., Sunday at 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

**Holy Thursday** (April 1) at: 7:00 p.m. (no morning Mass).

**Good Friday** (April 2) at 3:00 p.m. (no morning Mass) and **Stations of the Cross** at 7:00 p.m.

**Easter Vigil** (April 3) at 8:00 p.m.

**Easter Sunday** (April 4) at 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Registration, which has now opened, is required for all these Masses, either through the parish website or by calling the parish office. There will be assigned seating for most of these Masses. Registration will close on **Monday, March 29 at noon.**

## 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.

## REFLECTION

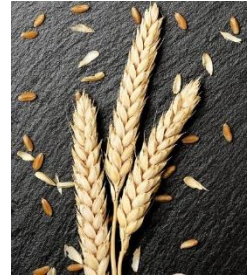
In the gospel Christ himself tells us: “*Now the hour has come for the son of man to be glorified.*” What glory is there in suffering? He is about to be arrested, punished and killed, yet he talks about his glory. Jesus saw beyond the clouds of pain and difficulties in order to behold success and eternal life.

He knew that his suffering and death would restore life to many. So, rather than be discouraged by the temporary situation of suffering, he was encouraged and motivated by the honest reward of eternal life. Hence, Christ offered his suffering and life in order to restore a broken covenant and eternal life for all who believe in him. Hence, he says: “*Unless a grain of wheat dies it remains a single grain, but if it dies it yields a rich harvest.*”

Unfortunately, many of us do not want to follow or like this path. Jesus invites us to be strong along the path of life. He wants us to be where he is. So, we must be ready to endure as he did. We must be ready to die as a grain dies in order to regenerate. Practically speaking, we die every day when we stand up for justices, when we stand for the truth and when we say no to sin, corruption and immorality. These “*daily deaths*” exhaust us physically, but they strengthen us spiritually.

Today, as we see Christ carrying out his priestly and intercessory role, we must find new courage to press on in the midst of trials, persecution, and even doubts. Also, we must learn from His experience, that suffering is necessary, and inevitable in life. This is because, just as Christ, we will be made perfect through it. Therefore, as we continue our walk with Christ this season, the thought of his own suffering and death must strengthen us daily.

*Excerpted from. Rev. Njoku Canice Chukwuemeka, C.S.Sp.*



## CONFESSION DURING LENT

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

## FIRST RECONCILIATION

Approximately 45 children will be receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time, on Saturday, March 27. Please pray for the children and their families as they prepare for their upcoming reception of First Holy Communion and as they grow in faith.

## SILVER ROSE- KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS

- ❖ The Silver Rose symbolizes the roses that St. Juan Diego presented to Bishop de Zumarraga after Our Lady of Guadalupe’s apparitions to him in 1531. The pilgrimage of the rose reaffirms the Order’s commitment to the sanctity of human life. This year, we are privileged to have the rose in our parish and on display during the **weekend Masses, on March 20/21.** Contact Pierre Chartier at [fitt@rogers.com](mailto:fitt@rogers.com), if you wish to receive a special prayer card.
- ❖ On **Wednesday, March 24**, the Knights are hosting a recitation of the Rosary **at 7:00 p.m.** This Rosary is dedicated to the Silver Rose of Our Lady of Guadalupe and will be a Zoom meeting. In order to ensure that our prayers will be secure, interested participants need to send an email to [RosarySt.Pats@gmail.com](mailto:RosarySt.Pats@gmail.com) to request an invitation. An invitation will be sent to all participants, ten minutes before the Rosary starts. Please have your requests for an initiation in by **6:30 p.m., on Wednesday.** Individual prayer petitions may be submitted with your email and will be included at the start of the prayer. For more information, and to submit your individual petitions, please contact Anthony Galveias at [RosarySt.Pats@gmail.com](mailto:RosarySt.Pats@gmail.com).



## FAITH FORMATION

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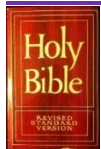
## HEART OF WORSHIP

Come and spend time with Jesus in adoration of The Blessed Sacrament. The evening includes a reflection by Fr. Allan MacDonald on the topic of "What Am I Missing?", as well as praise and worship music, and silent adoration. This will take place on **Tuesday, March 23, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.** at Holy Redeemer Parish. If attending in person, please register: <https://holyredeemerkanata.flocknote.com/signup/45023>. Or watch the live stream at: [facebook.com/holyredeemerkanata/](https://facebook.com/holyredeemerkanata/).

## INTERESTED IN BECOMING A DEACON?

The Archdiocese needs men with an unrelenting desire to serve God's people. Two information sessions will be held at St. Mary's Parish, **Thursday, March 25, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.**, and **Saturday, March 27, 10:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m.** Please contact Deacon Charles (Chuck) Fink at 613-880-7723 or [deaconfink@gmail.com](mailto:deaconfink@gmail.com) for more information or to register. COVID protocols **require** pre-registration.

## 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.

## VOLUNTEER THANK-YOU AND REQUEST

We have been blessed with the generosity and flexibility of so many people helping us keep the church open during this pandemic: cleaners, ushers, greeters, musicians, lectors, organizers and co-operative and supportive parishioners. As we enter our second spring, however, we are hoping that some more people will come forward to help with these tasks. In particular, we are hoping to



create a **tech team** to continue livestreaming of our regular Sunday Mass, as well as special celebrations that happen from time to time, such as extra Masses during Easter or Sacramental Masses. If anyone is interested in helping with any of these, please contact Anita MacNeil at [aemac63@gmail.com](mailto:aemac63@gmail.com).

## 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.
- ❖ A problem with the bank has meant that **pre-authorized withdrawals for February and March have not yet been 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 Amanda, our bookkeeper at: [finance@stpatricksfallowfield.com](mailto:finance@stpatricksfallowfield.com)

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*"Time is not our own and we must give a strict account of it".  
Saint Turibius of Mogrovejo*

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