

First Sunday of Lent – March 6, 2022

Saturday, Mar. 5	5:00 pm	St. Carthagh's	Dianne DeMarsh
Sunday, Mar. 6 <i>(1st Sunday of Lent)</i>	9:00 am 11:00 am	St. Edmund's St. Carthagh's	Intentions of Mary Anne Mitchell Members of the Parish
Monday, Mar. 7	9:00 am	St. Carthagh's	No Intention
Tuesday, Mar. 8	9:00 am	St. Carthagh's	For the reposed soul of William Samuels, his surviving family and for the Popert family
Wednesday, Mar. 9	9:00 am	St. Carthagh's	No Intention
Thursday, Mar. 10	9:00 am	St. Carthagh's	Intentions of Mary Anne Mitchell
Friday, Mar. 11	9:00 am	St. Carthagh's	No Intention
Saturday, Mar. 12	5:00 pm	St. Carthagh's	Members of the Parish
Sunday, Mar. 13 <i>(2nd Sunday of Lent)</i>	9:00 am 11:00 am	St. Edmund's St. Carthagh's	Jacob & Margaret Kvas For peaceful resolution of the conflict in Ukraine

Please Remember in Your Prayers: All those who are sick, including: F. Boomhour, Neive Alderson, Norene Ruffilli, Amanda Lake, Ginger Kehoe, Margaret Dupuis-Ives, Terry Horrigan, Catherine Liggon, Debbie LaCroix, Presley Noble, Rob Montgomery, Margaret-Rose Wood, Michelle Fobert, Ben Paul, Carrie Young, Jeanette Prevost, Dale McTaggart, David Gohl, Susan Horrigan, Barb Greene, Roy Lamb, Doug Lessard, Carl Kehoe, Barry Tebo, Carolyn Saunders, Bill Cassidy, and Sarah Knill.

Please let us know at the office if you would like to add to or remove a name from the list of the sick.

Offertory Collections:

St. Carthagh's	February 26 & 27	Regular Sunday Building & Reserve Heat & Fuel	\$720 \$255 \$110
St. Edmund's	February 27	Regular Sunday Building & Reserve Heat & Fuel	\$1,310 \$241 \$120

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS OFFERING TO OUR CHURCHES

	<u>LECTOR</u>	<u>HOLY COMMUNION</u>	<u>USHERS</u>
St. Carthagh's			
Saturday, Mar. 12	Karen LaVallée	Carol Genereaux	Greg Donohue
Sunday, Mar. 13	Dan Dafoe	Joan McTaggart	George Scott
St. Edmund's	<u>LECTOR</u>	<u>ORGANIST</u>	<u>USHERS</u>
Sunday, Mar. 13	Patti Marlin	Beth Power	Gerry Cassidy Vince Cassidy

Lenten Seminar: Discover the “Power to be a Fearless Child of God.” Encounter the Lord who loves you through anointed talks, worship, and Adoration. This 5-week Lenten Seminar begins **Sunday, March 13, 2:00-3:30 pm** at St. Michael the Archangel and ends **April 10**. No charge. Registration not required.

The Way of the Cross Devotion: As part of our community Lenten exercise we shall have the Stations of the Cross 30 minutes before the start of the 9:00 am and 11:00 am Masses.

“Even now”(Joel 2:12)

The very first words of the Lenten Scripture readings are “even now” (Joel 2:12). The people of Joel’s time had experienced a tragedy but even after that terrible experience they had a “now” when they could return to the Lord with their whole heart (Joel 2:12). Like them, we are gradually and cautiously coming out of a pandemic that has disrupted every aspect of life. Additionally, the conflict between Russia and Ukraine, currently unfolding, opens yet another sad experience on the global stage. But no matter how bad the past has been or how fearsome the future may be, “now is the acceptable time! Now is the day of salvation!” (2 Cor 6:2). Thank God for the “now.” We may harbor hatred, resentment, unforgiveness and mistrust in our hearts, but now we have the opportunity to change all that. While we are on this earth, every “now” means there is hope. Eventually, each one of us will face a moment of decision, a “now or never.” This will be our last “now” on earth, our last opportunity to repent of sin and to love Jesus with all our heart. After this final “now,” there will be no reason to hope. We will have either eternal happiness or eternal damnation. So, we see how priceless are the gifts of Ash Wednesday, Lent, and this present moment on the way to eternity. We need to live these days as if they were our last days on earth. Let us focus on the pillars of prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A Lenten message from Archbishop Mulhall:

My Dear Faithful:

These first days of Lent present the Church with a magnificent invitation to enter into the mystery of our salvation in Christ. We begin a sacred pilgrimage towards Easter, knowing that the end and purpose of our fasting, prayer and almsgiving is spiritual purification and a deeper communion with God.

This year, our pilgrimage begins under the heavy reality of continued war and strife in so many parts of the world. Today, the Holy Father has asked us to pray and fast for peace in Ukraine and other countries. May these spiritual offerings bear fruit in the midst of the present suffering.

Please know of my prayers for all the faithful of the Archdiocese as we begin this Holy Season.

With prayerful best wishes, I remain,

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+Michael Mulhall
Archbishop of Kingston

Message from Algonquin and Lakeshore Catholic District School Board:

Protect and promote Catholic education... Ensure you are registered to vote as a Catholic separate school supporter.

Ensuring you are registered as a separate school supporter is important for the protection and preservation of Catholic education in Ontario. As a registered Catholic school supporter, you have the opportunity to elect trustees who will represent and address your interests and concerns at the school board level and at various levels of the government.

Registering your Catholic school support ensures your school board's assessment roll is accurate. This is important because:

- ❖ Your school board's assessment base is a public record of the breadth of support for Catholic schools.
- ❖ It helps track demographic trends for educational planning purposes.
- ❖ It guarantees your right to enroll your children in Catholic schools.