

Pastor: Rev. Father Hamish Currie

Parochial Vicar: Father Chadwick James Franklin

> **Parish Office: Monday-Friday**

9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Sunday Masses: Saturday Mass: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 9am & 11am

Weekday Masses:Morning Mass: Tues to Fri at 9am

Sacrament of Penance: Saturday: 4:15pm-4:45pm

Baptism:

Usually on the 3rd Sunday of the month. Please make arrangements one month in advance by contacting the Parish office.

Marriage:

Please make marriage arrangements 6 months in advance by contacting the Parish office.

Please allow at least 6 months for Papal Blessing to arrive after the request has been made.

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Email yours to pbcathedral@on.aibn.com Before 11:00 AM Wednesday

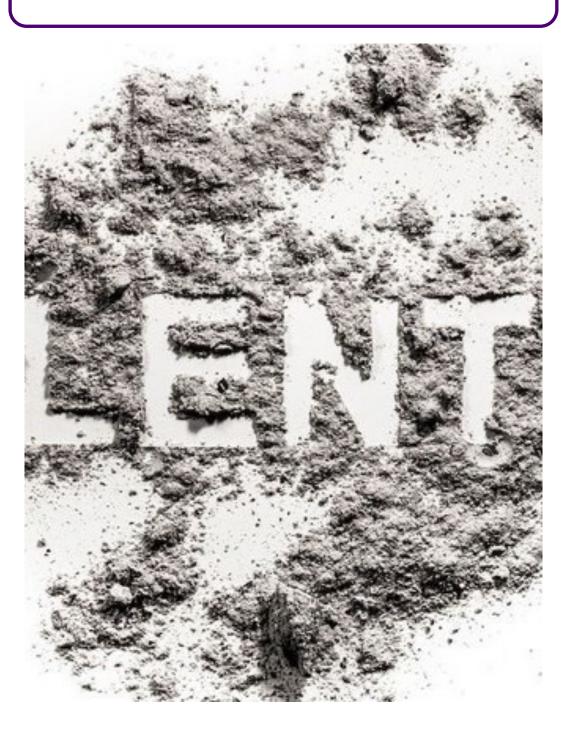
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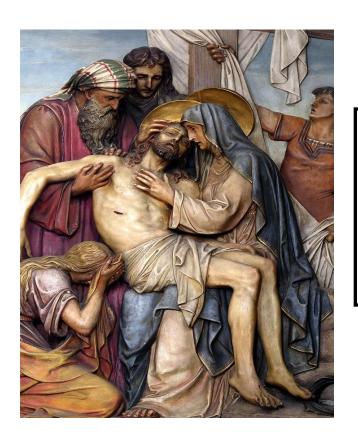
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First Sunday of Lent March 6, 2022





Stations of the Cross

7:30pm
March 6 to April 10, 2022

NO reservations required for masses

Precious Blood Cathedral Mass is every SATURDAY at 5 PM and SUNDAY at 9AM and 11AM Mass is open to Full Capacity

Daily Morning Masses - Tuesday to Friday
At 9:00am

Sunday Collections

February 26-27 2022 Weekend \$1621.00

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2022 Sunday Collection Envelopes are available for pick up in the Church office.

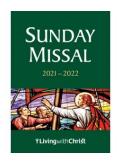
Weekdays Scripture Readings: Mar 7 to Mar 12, 2022

Day	Reading	Gospel
Monday	Leviticus 19.1-2, 11-18	Matthew 25.31-46
Tuesday	Isaiah 55.10-11	Matthew 6.7-15
Wednesday	Jonah 3.1-10	Luke 11.29-32
Thursday	Esther 14.1, 3-5, 12-14	Matthew 7.7-12
Friday	Ezekiel 18.21-28	Matthew 5.20-26
Saturday	Deuteronomy 26.16-19	Matthew 5.43-48

Coffee Sundays
The first Sunday of each month—join us after the
9am and I I am mass for coffee
in the Gathering Place.

Next Coffee Hour: March 6, 2022

Mask must be worn.



The Sunday Missals for the 2021-2022

are available to purchase in the office.

Sunday Missals-Living with Christ has all the prayers and readings for Sunday Mass and Holy Days (does not include weekdays)



Friday, March 11, 2022

†Ida Bruno by Marie & Anthony Bruno

Saturday, March 12, 2022

†Rita Cyr by Annette & Robert Dugas

†Bernadette McAndrew by Karen & Kevin

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†Albert & Angeline Suriano and Valerio & David Suriano by Marlene & Terry Zuccato & Family

Sunday March 13, 2022

†Bob Malone by Dawn Malone

†Velia Martin by Jennie Colizza

†Helen & Albert Raymond by Paula & Rod Smith



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Rosary Rally Procession

You are invited to attend a Rosary Rally Procession starting at Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish and walking over to the Cross at St. Basil's School on Saturday, March 19th, the Feast of St. Joseph.

We will meet at 11:15 a.m. in the parish parking lot and will proceed over to the Cross at 11:30 a.m.

At 12 noon, we will be praying along with many other Canadians from across our country who are also gathering at this time. Let us pray for God's peace in the world and for order in our Nation.

St. Joseph, Patron Saint of Canada, Pray for us.

For more information please call Claudette at 705-971-4244.

Please Note: It is preferable for you to leave your car at the Cross and drive with a family member or friend to Our Lady of Good Counsel to walk in the Procession.













The First Sunday of Lent

On the **First Sunday of Lent**, as we begin our Lenten journey, we recall in the reading from the **book of Deuteronomy** how God was faithful to Israel, leading them out of Egypt to a land of **"milk and honey." Luke's gospel** gives us the temptation of Jesus when he was **"led by the Spirit"** into the desert. Jesus resists the devil. **"You shall not put the Lord, your God, to the test."**

After last week's first four days, the next three weeks of Lent represent a period of instruction, originally designed for the Catechumens (those preparing for Baptism at the Easter Vigil). We can read these readings as a catechism of renewal for us all.

The first weekday reading of week one is the great giving of the Commandments: "Be holy, for I, the LORD, your God, am holy." Jesus gives the great parable about the last judgment - separating the charitable from the uncharitable: "whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me." Then, Jesus teaches his disciples to pray. He says that it is an evil generation that looks for "signs." He is the sign - a call to repentance. On the day we hear the desperate but faith-filled prayer of **Esther**, Jesus tells us to pray confidently. And he sums up the whole law and the prophets for us: "Do to others whatever you would have them do to you." Jesus says our holiness has to go beyond the letter-of-the-law holiness; it must touch our anger, our judgments of others, and be reconciled with those we've wronged. The holiness Jesus proposes for us calls us to love our enemies, even to pray for those who persecute us. We are called to love the way God does.



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Daily Prayer This Week

This first week of Lent is the time we are given to begin our Lenten patterns, to re-align our priorities, and to make use of more reflective time each day. It is a time to fast and abstain from those things that hinder our relationship with the Lord, and to consider being more generous to the poor.

As we make this beginning, we are offered some beautiful instruction about what is expected of us. These readings describe a very Jesus-like love. We can examine our care for the hungry, thirsty, naked, sick or imprisoned. We can reflect upon who in our lives needs us and whether we love them as we want to be loved. And we can look at the deeper things, like our anger or how we treat others, and our response to those who are our "enemies." What is most important this first week, beyond a sharper examination of our consciences, is to see this as a time for God's grace to work in us. So, it is a time to ask for the graces we are starting to see we need.

Each morning this week we can ask our Lord to help us focus this day on the neediest people around us. We can ask to begin new patterns this week by practicing special charity and love, where I haven't been so generous or kind before. The key is to ask and to be very specific. Then, throughout the day, we can keep talking with our Lord, in the "background" about these graces we ask for and the concrete circumstances we find ourselves in. It is in the particular events of our day that we will become attentive to our need for our Lord's presence and grace, as well as our need to choose a new pattern. Each evening, we can briefly review the day and recognize some missed opportunities to connect with the Lord or take advantage of a situation here or there, but most of all, we can thank the Lord for the moments of connection that have begun our Lenten journey.

One resource that may be helpful is the <u>Praying Lent</u> website with reflections on how we can set a different tone for our Lent by making choices about how we want our Lent to be and what we want God to do in us this Lent.