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The First Week Of Lent

February 26, 2023

Pastor:

Father Hamish Currie

Parochial Vicar

(Associate Pastor):

Father Jeff Shannon

Parish Office:

Monday-Friday

8:30 AM to 12:30 PM

Office Admin Jennifer

Sunday Masses :

Saturday Mass: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 9am and 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.

Papal Blessing :

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

Knights of Columbus :

Ernie Console

CWL President :

Maureen Gooderham

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Liturgical Music / Choir :

Bruce Douville

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Bulletin Announcements :

Email yours to

pbcathedral@on.aibn.com

Before 11:00 AM Wednesday

Prayer Line :

Corona McNally



PRECIOUS BLOOD CATHEDRAL
VIDEO FORMATION NIGHT

Five **TUESDAY's** in **LENT**
from **6:30pm - 7:30pm** in the **GATHERING PLACE**
(Parish Hall)

“THE SEARCH” - VIDEO SERIES

Tuesday, Feb 28, -WHO DO YOU SEEK?
WHO ARE YOU?

Tuesday, March 7, - WHY A GOD?
WHAT'S OUR STORY?

Tuesday, March 14 - WHO IS JESUS?

Tuesday March 21- AM I SAVED?

Tuesday March 28 - WHY A CHURCH?

See you there!

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every **FRIDAY IN LENT @ 5:00 PM**
In the Church ,

Friday Feb 24, March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31



SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

JUNE 8th, 2023, Precious Blood Cathedral

PLEASE EMAIL THE OFFICE TO REGISTER YOUR
CHILD BY APRIL 15, 2023 at
pbcathedral@on.aibn.com

Please give your:

NAME

AGE

SCHOOL

Phone #:

A PREPARATION RETREAT WILL BE CONDUCTED
BEFOREHAND- More info to come!



CWL Upcoming Dates:

February 28th – CWL Executive Meeting – 1 pm, Gathering Place.
Please bring your Manual of Policy and Procedure

March 3rd- World Day of Prayer – 2pm, St. Jerome's Church

Follow our Diocesan Facebook page and Instagram account
here: Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/SSMCWL> /
Instagram: @cwlssmdiocese

The National CWL has brainstormed 52 words from our National Sisterhood Map (map on CWL website) www.cwl.ca
and described them to give us 'talking points' to share. Here is the next word.

ADVOCACY

Catholic Women's League members educate themselves on how to make their voices heard by government and work together to address social justice issues. Join us. Be an advocate and let your voice be heard!

Congratulations to all recipients of CWL pins for years of service.

A special thanks to the following ladies:

Beverley Dunn - 50 years,
Rita Murphy - 60 years,
Evelyn Theriault - 65 years
Dorothy Bonell - 75 years

Bishop Thomas Dowd and the Polar Plunge

Do you wish to see Bishop Thomas Dowd jump into the icy waters of Sudbury's Ramsey Lake on February 25, 2023? See the letters and posters displayed in your church for more information.

CHURCH OF CHRIST THE KING

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THE KING**



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If you have any questions.

**Please email me at
pbcathedral@on.aibn.com**

Precious Blood Cathedral Mass

**SATURDAY at 5 PM
SUNDAY AT 9AM AND 11AM**

Mass is open to Full Capacity

**Sunday Collections
February 18th & 19th
Weekend**

\$2038.00

Thank you for your continued

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| March 4th & 5th, 2023 | <u>Greeter & Collection</u> | <u>Collection & Communion Ushers</u> |
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| <p>Saturday, March 4th</p> <p>5:00 pm</p> | <p><u>St Anne's Entrance</u></p> <p>Lucy Campbell</p> <p><u>Queen Street Entrance</u></p> <p>Sue St Jules</p> | <p><u>Collection & Communion Ushers</u></p> <p>Jim St Jules</p> <p>Femina Felix</p> |
| <p>Sunday, March 5th</p> <p>9am</p> | <p><u>St. Anne's Entrance</u></p> <p>Ayda Valderrama</p> <p><u>Queen Street Entrance</u></p> <p>Terry Lou Legros</p> | <p><u>Collection & Communion Ushers</u></p> <p>Maureen Gooderham</p> <p>Sandra Suurna</p> |
| <p>11am</p> | <p><u>St. Anne's Entrance</u></p> <p>Roseanne Breton</p> <p><u>Queen Street Entrance</u></p> <p>Richard Breton</p> | <p><u>Collection & Communion Ushers</u></p> <p>Tony Pino</p> <p>Richard Di Tommaso</p> |
| <p>March 4th</p> <p>5pm</p> | <p><u>Lectors</u></p> <p><u>March 4th</u></p> <p>Ralph Esposito</p> | <p><u>Eucharistic Minister</u></p> <p><u>March 4th</u></p> <p>Kathleen MacDonald</p> |
| <p>March 5th</p> <p>9am</p> <p>11am</p> | <p><u>Lectors</u></p> <p><u>March 5th</u></p> <p>Bill Denney</p> <p>Michael Currier</p> | <p><u>Eucharistic Minister</u></p> <p><u>March 5th</u></p> <p>Marie Bruno</p> <p>Fil Lettieri</p> |
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Saturday February 25, 2022 5pm

† Sharon Yadivisiak by Lawrence & Karen Hepditch

Sunday February 26, 2023 @ 9am

† Bob & Isabelle Denney by Bill & Gloria Denney

Tuesday February 28, 2023 @ 9am

† Tom McGuire By CWL

Wednesday March 1, 2023 @ 9am

† Tom McGuire by Lorraine & Don Pezzutto

Thursday March 2, 2023 @ 9am

† Tom McGuire by Rose & Andy McCormick

Friday March 3, 2023 @ 9am

† Tom McGuire by Corona McNally

The First Week of Lent

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On the **First Sunday of Lent**, we begin our Lenten journey, remembering how God re-established the covenant, after the flood, and we reflect on how Jesus began his public ministry with a retreat of forty days - led to the desert by the Spirit.

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 Thursday, when 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.

The **Second Sunday of Lent** offers us **Matthew's Gospel** of the Transfiguration. When the stammering disciples are overwhelmed at the reality of who Jesus really is they "were very much afraid. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Rise, and do not be afraid."

**Daily Morning Masses
Tuesday-Friday 9am**

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, the stranger, 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.

Prayer Line

Anyone wishing to have prayers for a special Intention, or someone who is ill, having surgery, for the deceased, or any other intention may contact Corona at 705.575.6975

**Weekday Scripture Readings:
February 27th - March 4, 2023**

| Day | Reading | Gospel |
|------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Monday | Liviticus 19.1-2,11-18 | Mark 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 11am mass for coffee in the Gathering
Place. Next Coffee Hour: March 5, 2023**



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If you know of someone who is in hospital or at home or at the Hospice that is in need of comfort from a shawl.

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The **2023 Northern Ontario Catholic Leadership Conference** will be held on **Saturday, February 25** at **St. Joseph-Scollard Hall** in **North Bay, Ontario**. Join youth from across Northern Ontario for a day of faith, music, sharing, talks and powerful witness featuring popular Catholic Speaker **Ken Yasinski**. This year's theme is **"Level Up - Find Your Purpose!"** Registration fee is only \$20 and includes all meals! The Conference runs from 10am – 8pm, and overnight accommodations are available for travellers. **All young people aged 13-19** are invited to register online at www.holynamestalphonsus.com/levelup. This event is presented by the Roman Catholic Diocese of Sault Ste. Marie.

2023 NORTHERN ONTARIO CATHOLIC LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

LEVEL UP

**SAVE
THE
DATE!**

FIND YOUR PURPOSE.



FEATURING KEYNOTE SPEAKER

KEN YASINSKI

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2023

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