



# St. Theresese Catholic Church

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FEBRUARY 16<sup>TH</sup> 2025 • SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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#### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday: CLOSED

Tuesday to Friday: 9:00AM - 1:00PM

#### WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday: 8:30AM and 4:30PM

Sunday: 9:00AM, 11:00AM and 7:00PM

#### WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday - Thursday: 7:00PM

Friday: 9:30AM and 7:00PM

#### CONFESSION

30 minutes before every weekday & weekend Mass

#### BAPTISM, MARRIAGE, FUNERAL

#### FIRST COMMUNION, CONFIRMATION AND SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Contact the Parish Office for details

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Superior: Mother Aurelia (905) 436-2308

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905-432-2882

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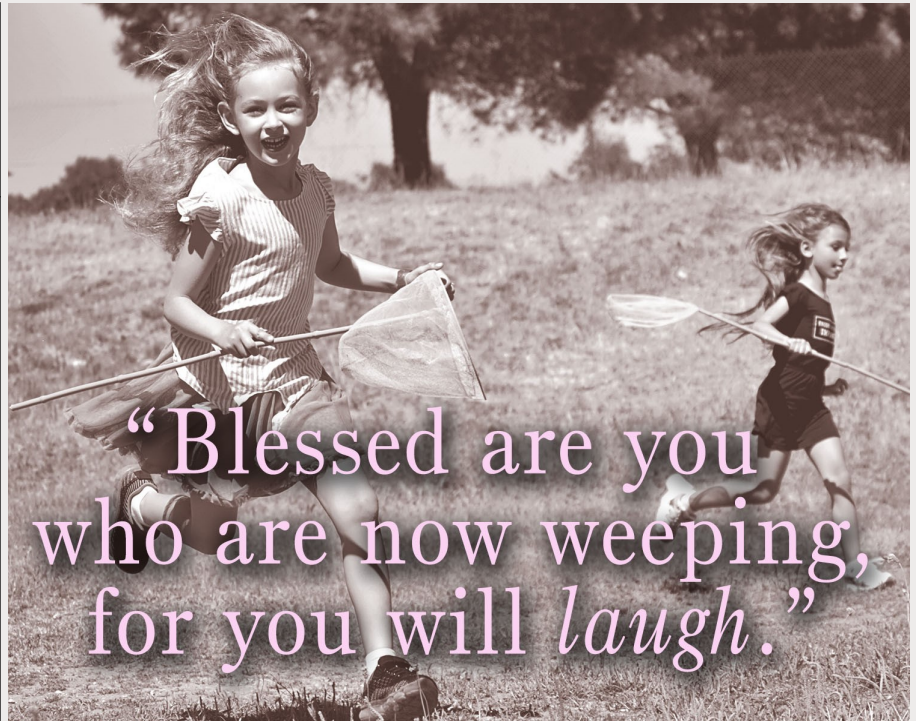
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• SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME •

## Woe is Me?

In Luke's version of the Beatitudes, he has only four blessings and he adds four woes. These woes correspond to the blessings: 1. the poor and the rich, 2. the hungry and the filled, 3. those who weep and those who laugh, and 4. the hated and the well-treated. Did you notice that all the things that we work forty or more hours a week to give to our family are considered "woes"? So is Jesus saying we should not have savings for the future, food for the kids, a happy, safe environment, or a good reputation?

I suspect that the disciples and the others listening to Jesus wondered the same thing. Jesus may have been exaggerating a little but he had a point. The values of this world are not necessarily the values of God's Kingdom. For example, self-reliance, usually considered a virtue, can be taken to an extreme of not relying on God for our needs, or for justifying the belief that poverty is the fault of the poor. Jesus himself is the extreme example of reversing worldly values: His death was not a tragic ending, but the saving action that brought us forgiveness and new life in the Resurrection.

So how do we experience the blessings of the poor, the hungry, the mourning, or the unpopular? Do we have the faith to let go of self-reliance and to trust in Jesus? How much money does it take to meet the needs of our family? How much do we really need and how much is just extra? Are we really helping our children if we give them anything they want? We teach them to do their best in school and sports. Do we also teach them to give to the poor or to help other children struggling with schoolwork? We buy them nice clothing; do we teach them to see Jesus in others? How can we say this is all too idealistic, and still claim to believe in the Resurrection?

I don't expect everyone to go around saying "woe is me." Some of the happiest people are those who live simple lives of faith and trust in God. When we learn to trust the Lord and love one another, we not only can see Jesus in the poor or the lonely, he can also be seen in us.

By Tom Schmidt



## Baptism Preparation Class

Please note that the next preparation for baptism will be held in the Parish hall on: **Saturday February 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2025 at 11:00am**

## Children's Liturgy

Children's Liturgy will be not be offered at the 9:00 am Mass, this coming Sunday, February 16, 2025. We will resume on Sunday, February 23, 2025

## 2024 TAX RECEIPTS

2024 donation tax receipts will be ready for pick up starting on February 15th after each Mass in the **back of the church/lobby**.

They are organized in alphabetical order.

*Thank you very much for supporting our parish!*



## 2025 PARISH DONATION ENVELOPES



Parish donation envelopes for the 2025 year are still available for pick up at the **back of the church**.

Envelopes are organized alphabetically by last name. If you are unable to find your name, please call the office.

## Thank you!

We extend our sincere thanks to everyone who has dropped off wine, liquor bottles and beer cans to the storage shed beside the rectory garage!

The money raised by this initiative supports the Oblate's missions.

Please continue to drop off clean & completely empty bottles and beer cans to the shed.



## FREE Lenten Study

On-line Lenten study through **Science of Sainthood** begins soon and helps one understand prayer life.

<https://www.scienceofsainthood.com/>

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## DIOCESAN MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE



Just a reminder that our diocesan **Marriage Preparation**

**Course** will take place online on **Saturday May 10, 2025**

with presentations on video being sent out for three weeks previous. Any couples preparing for marriage, should go to the link below to register:

<https://www.peterboroughdiocese.org/en/life-and-faith/sacrament-of-marriage-preparation-online.aspx>

## "I believe..."

A seven-part catechesis series on the Nicene Creed, marking the 1700th anniversary of the Council of Nicaea



**February 13 | 7:00 pm | Holy Family, St. Albert**

**Council of Nicaea: What it is and why it matters**

Presenter: Deacon Cyril Kennedy  
Reflection by Archbishop Richard Smith

**March 13 | 7:00 pm | St. Charles, Edmonton**

**"I believe in One God"**

Presenter: Dr. Matthew Hoven

**April 24 | 7:00 pm St. Theresa, Edmonton**

**"I believe in One Lord Jesus Christ" - Part 1**

Presenter: Dr. Lorne Zelyck

**May 22 | 7:00 pm | Holy Trinity, Spruce Grove-Stony Plain**

**"I believe in One Lord Jesus Christ" - Part 2**

Presenter: Dr. Matthew Kostecky

**Sept. 25 | 7:00 pm | Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Sherwood Park**

**"I believe in the Holy Spirit"**

Presenter: Fr. Matthew Hysell

**October 23 | 7:00 pm | St. Thomas More**

**"I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church"**

Presenter: Dr. Pablo Irizar

**November 20 | 7:00 pm | St. Joseph Basilica**

**"I confess one baptism..."**

Reflection by Archbishop Richard Smith



The Catholic Archdiocese of Edmonton



Everyone is welcome!  
No cost - no registration required.  
Join in person at the host parish or watch on Livestream/recording on the ArchEdmonton YouTube channel.

The online link to join:

**Livestream:** [youtube.com/live/QC4\\_5hat-aq](https://youtube.com/live/QC4_5hat-aq)





# 24 HOURS FOR THE LORD

**Join Catholics from around the Diocese of Peterborough who will be adoring the Lord over a 24 hour period. Come gaze on the face of mercy and hope. He is waiting for you!**

**MARCH 7-8 2025**



## **Opening Holy Hour**

Friday, March 7th

Time: **9:30am**



## **Closing Benediction**

Saturday, March 8th

Time: **9:30am**

*Pope Francis invites us to take part in the worldwide initiative*

*“24 Hours for the Lord,” a time of grace and renewal.*

*This year, within the context of the Jubilee 2025, which is particularly dedicated to the theme of Hope, the Holy Father has chosen the words of the Psalmist as our guiding motto: “You are my hope” (Ps. 71:5).*



**I**n the Diocese of Peterborough, the event will take place on the eve of the First Sunday of Lent, from Friday March 7 to Saturday March 8.

During this Lenten season, the 24-hour period is a sacred opportunity for parishes to offer a profound experience of God’s mercy. It is a time to remind the faithful that the doors of the Church—and the infinite mercy of God—are always open, ready to welcome and embrace even the most lost or weary among us.

Bishop Miehm encourages all parishes to respond with hearts united to this call, standing in solidarity with the global Church as “Pilgrims of Hope.” Let this initiative serve as a beacon of light, reflecting the hope we are called to carry and share with the world during this Jubilee year.

Parishes are asked to provide Eucharistic Adoration and organize special Lenten activities throughout all or part of this time. Particular focus should be given to communal penance services and opportunities for the Sacrament of Reconciliation, underscoring the profound hope and renewal found in God’s mercy.

In our website bulletin you can find our parish schedule for this 24 hours for the Lord. At the back of the church you can find a sign up sheet so you can put your name for your one hour adoration at your convenient time. I encourage every family and every individual parishioner to take part in this time of God’s mercy.



# CONVALIDATION *of* MARRIAGE

† *Bringing your Marriage into the Church* †

*“It is the presence of the Lord, who reveals Himself and the gift of His grace, that will render your marriage full and profoundly true.” (POPE FRANCIS)*

Convalidation ceremonies are specifically for married couples whose unions are not recognized by the Catholic Church and wish to have their marriage validated. This means that at least one partner must be Catholic and their marriage must meet the Church’s requirements for convalidation.

There are various reasons and circumstances that might lead Catholics to marry outside the Church. Regardless of these reasons and past circumstances, the Catholic Church invites couples to bring new meaning to their lives by embracing the vocation of marriage and serving as ambassadors of God’s love through the celebration of convalidation of marriage. Convalidation comes from a Latin word meaning “to firm up” or “to strengthen.” It is not a blessing of an existing union or a renewal of promises – it requires a new act of consent by each spouse and it is a celebration of the Sacrament of Marriage, sanctifying the union within the Church. The Church is committed to supporting couples who wish to enter into a valid Catholic marriage, offering them pastoral



and spiritual support as needed. Convalidation of marriage may be celebrated within Mass or outside of Mass, depending on each couple’s particular situation.

When couples seek to validate their marriage in the Church after having attempted marriage outside the Church, they are demonstrating that God is present and actively working in their lives. God wants to lead couples closer to Him and to each other, and sanctifying their union within the Church allows them to fully participate in its sacramental life.



**Couples wishing to plan a convalidation ceremony are required to contact the Parish Office at 905-436-2126 to schedule an appointment with a Priest to begin the process.**



Roman Catholic Diocese  
of Peterborough

## Office of the Bishop DECREE

In the name of God  
The Most Reverend Daniel J. Miehm  
Bishop of Peterborough

### PLENARY INDULGENCE

Whereas the Roman Pontiff, Pope Francis, has decreed 2025 to be a **Jubilee Year** for all the faithful, an extraordinary year as **Pilgrims of Hope**, beginning on December 24<sup>th</sup>, 2024, and concluding on January 6<sup>th</sup> 2026, and has proposed in the bull of indiction, **SPES NON CONFUNDIT** (HOPE DOES NOT DISAPPOINT, May 9<sup>th</sup> 2024) the Jubilee indulgence as a means of encountering God's mercy.

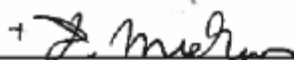
Whereas the Apostolic Penitentiary, in a decree dated May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2024, set out the norms for obtaining the plenary indulgence for the Jubilee Year, including the instruction that Bishops should designate churches and sacred places where the indulgence may be attained.

I hereby decree that in the Roman Catholic Diocese of Peterborough four churches throughout the diocese may be visited by the faithful to fulfill requirements for the indulgence – **St. Michael the Archangel**, 379 Division Street, Cobourg; **Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary** (St. Mary's), 40 Russell St. East, Lindsay; **St. Patrick's**, 89 Rain Lake Rd., Kearney and, principal among them, **the Cathedral of St. Peter-In-Chains**, 411 Reid Street, Peterborough.

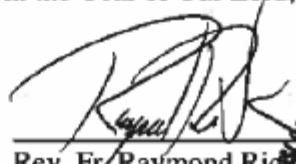
Further, I remind the Faithful that the granting of a plenary indulgence ordinarily depends on the following obligations being observed, as noted in the decree of the Apostolic Penitentiary of May 13<sup>th</sup> 2024:

- attend Mass and receive Holy Communion at one of the churches noted above during the Jubilee Year
- make a sacramental confession (within several days of the above-mentioned visit), and
- pray for the intentions of the Supreme Pontiff

Given at Peterborough, Ontario, this 12<sup>th</sup> day of December in the Year of Our Lord, Two thousand and twenty-four.

+   
+ Most Reverend Daniel Miehm  
Bishop  
Diocese of Peterborough

+DJM/rh

  
Rev. Fr. Raymond Ricci, J.C.  
Chancellor







## The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven,  
may the *faith* you have given us  
in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother,  
and the flame of *charity* enkindled  
in our hearts by the Holy Spirit,  
reawaken in us the blessed *hope*  
for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us  
into tireless cultivators  
of the seeds of the Gospel.  
May those seeds transform from within  
both humanity and the whole cosmos  
in the sure expectation  
of a new heaven and a new earth, when,  
with the powers of Evil vanquished,  
your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee  
reawaken in us, *Pilgrims of Hope*,  
a yearning for the treasures of heaven.  
May that same grace spread  
the joy and peace of our Redeemer  
throughout the earth.

To you our God, eternally blessed,  
be glory and praise for ever. Amen

Franciscus





# JUBILEE 2025

## CALENDAR OF MAJOR EVENTS



### December 2024

#### 29 December

10:30am: Opening Mass at the Cathedral of St. Peter-In-Chains, Peterborough.



### January 2025

#### 18 - 25 January

Week of prayer for Christian Unity

### February 2025

#### 2 February

11:00am: World Day for Consecrated Life Mass at St. Mary's, Lindsay. Reception to follow.

### March 2025

#### 7 & 8 March

24 Hours with the Lord.

### April 2025

#### 5 April

Diocesan Wide Confessions

#### 14 April

2:00pm: Chrism Mass at Cathedral of St. Peter-In-Chains, Peterborough.

#### 27 April

5:00pm: Youth Mass at Cathedral of St. Peter-In-Chains, Peterborough.

### June 2025

#### 25 June

12:10pm: Mass Celebration of Retired Priests at the Cathedral of St. Peter-In-Chains, Peterborough.

#### 27 June

Pilgrimage and Closing Mass for Year of the Sacred Heart at Sacred Heart Church, Trout Creek.

11:00am - 3:00pm: Adoration

3:30pm: Mass

Plenary Indulgence.



### July 2025

#### 20 July

10:30am: Mass Celebration of Local Cultural Groups at the Cathedral of St. Peter-In-Chains, Peterborough.

#### 27 July

11:00 am: 150th Anniversary Mass and Parish Celebration at St. Joseph's, Bracebridge



### August 2025

#### 10 August

10:30am: Peter Robinson Settlers Bi-Centennial Mass at the Cathedral of St. Peter-In-Chains, Peterborough.

#### 15 August

Marian Spirituality Celebration at St. Mary's of the Assumption, Huntsville. Mass and Reception



#### 17 August

9:00am - 2:00pm: 150th Anniversary Mass and Celebration at St. Mary's, Grafton.

### September 2025

#### 13 September

Diocesan Altar Servers Event

#### 20 September

Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Martyrs' Shrine in Midland.

### October 2025

#### 4 October

Jubilee Mass and Celebration of Lay Movements & Diocesan Groups.



## Hidden Blessings



In today's Gospel reading Jesus tells us that people who are poor, hungry, or sad are blessed! Do they sound blessed to you?

Bad things that happen to us have hidden blessings in them. If you are poor then your family and friends are more important to you than money and things. If you are hungry then you appreciate food more. If you are sad then sometimes it's easier to remember to pray.

But things that seem bad have another hidden blessing in them- when you are suffering, you can give your sadness or hurt to Jesus. Tell Him you are offering it up along with Him on the cross. He will give you grace to make your soul stronger. You can offer things up for other people too, and God will use your gift to help them!

Next time you feel unhappy about something, try to find the hidden blessing!



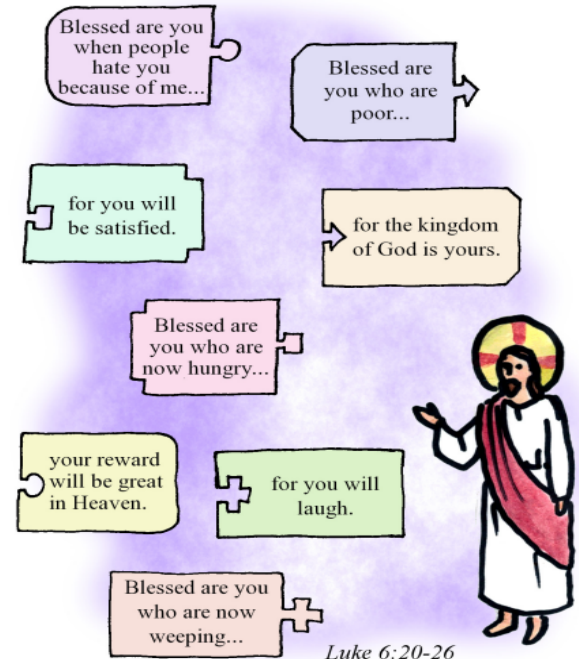
Answers to Cross-Word puzzle:  
Across: 3 who 5 trusts 8 cursed 10 year 11 that 13 barren  
Down: 1 green 2 is 4 this 6 stream 7 human 9 distress  
11 tree 12 he 14 beside 15 Lord 16 from 17 bush 18 in 20 it

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## The Kids' Bulletin

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
February 16th, 2025

Can you match up the pieces in this puzzle?



Luke 6:20-26

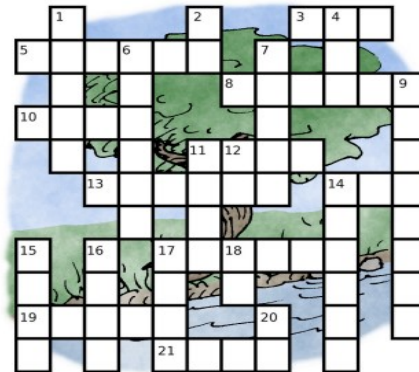
## Saint Bernadette Soubirous February 18



BECAUSE BERNADETTE WAS HONEST, SHE WAS ABLE TO BRING OUR LADY'S MESSAGES TO THE WORLD. THROUGH HER OUR BLESSED MOTHER TOLD THE WORLD THAT SHE WAS THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION-THAT SHE NEVER HAD ORIGINAL SIN. ARE YOU HONEST ENOUGH TO SHARE THE TRUTH ABOUT GOD?

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## Trust in the Lord Cross-Word



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Here is today's first reading, from Jeremiah.  
Fill in the blanks using the words from the list and fit them into the puzzle.

Thus says the Lord:

8a is the one who trusts in 7d 17a,  
3a seeks 4d strength 18d flesh,  
whose heart turns away 16d the Lord.  
12d is like a 13a 17d in the desert  
11a enjoys no change of season,  
14a stands in a lava waste, a salt and empty earth.  
Blessed is the one who 5a in the Lord,  
whose hope is the 15d.  
He 2d like a 11d planted 14d the waters that  
stretches out its 19a to the 6d;  
it fears not the 21a when 20d comes; its leaves stay 1d;  
in the 10a of drought it shows no 9d,  
but still bears fruit.





St. Therese Parish

# YOUTH

## MEEETINGS

FOR  
GRADE 7  
AND UP



EVERY  
FRIDAY  
AT  
7 PM



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# PRISON BREAK

## MARCH BREAK OVERNIGHT RETREAT

March 10-14 (ages 13-18) \$180  
March 14-16 (ages 18-30) \$100

[www.oblateyouthcanada.ca](http://www.oblateyouthcanada.ca)  
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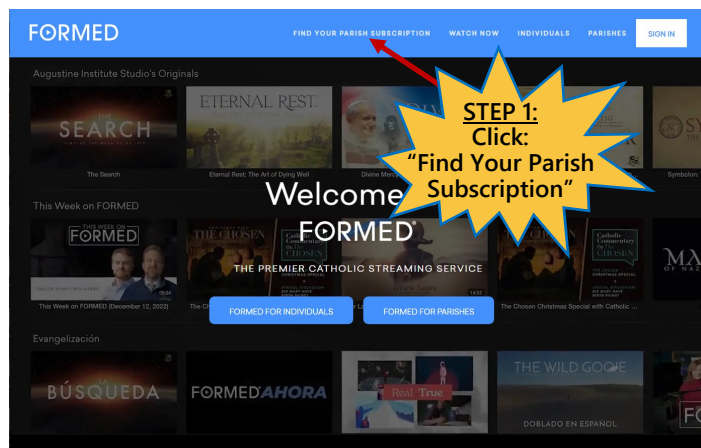


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## Episode 17: Liturgical Vestments, part 1

### SUMMARY

The vestments worn during Mass are sacramental signs. This suggests that they not only serve the practical purpose of covering street clothes, but that they also represent hidden realities. They signify that the celebration of the liturgy is not something ordinary, but that it takes us beyond the experience of daily life.

The Church teaches that most fundamental sacred garment is the alb. (The word has a Latin root which means white. “Albino” and “albumen” are English cognates.)

The alb is the long white garment worn by the sacred ministers. It recalls the new and immaculate clothing that every Christian has received in baptism: “see in this white garment the outward sign of your Christian dignity.”

Before the alb is put on, another sacred vestment, called the amice it put on over the head and around the shoulders to completely cover the ordinary clothing. For priests and deacons the amice covers the Roman collar. The amice symbolizes the helmet of salvation mentioned by St. Paul in the Letter to the Ephesians: “In all circumstances, hold faith as

a shield, to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. And take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.” The prayer said by the minister asks God’s protection as he performs his duties. The cincture is the rope-like belt tied around the waist of the minister. It signifies the minister’s commitment to the virtue of chastity. The prayer calls to mind the fruits of the Spirit noted by St. Paul in the Letter to the Galatians: “the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control.” (5:22)

These common, simple vestments, the amice, alb and cincture, clothe the minister, preparing him to enter into the sacred function.

Our task is to make our language less like this world and more like that of the world to come.

### Roman Missal

In the Church, which is the Body of Christ, not all members have the same function. This diversity of offices is shown outwardly in the celebration of the Eucharist by the diversity of sacred vestments, which must therefore be a sign of the function proper to each minister.

*General Instruction, n°. 335*



The sacred garment common to all ordained and instituted ministers of any rank is the alb, to be tied at the waist with a cincture unless it is made so as to fit even without such. Before the alb is put on, should this not completely cover the ordinary clothing at the neck, an amice should be used.

*General Instruction, n.º. 336*

#### IN THE TRADITION

“Then one of the elders spoke up and said to me, ‘Who are these wearing white robes, and where did they come from?’ I said to him, ‘My lord, you are the one who knows.’ He said to me, ‘These are the ones who have survived the time of great distress, they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.’”

Revelation 7:13-14

“Therefore, gird up the loins of your mind, live soberly, and set your hopes completely on the grace to be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ.”

1 Peter 1:13

#### THE TEACHING OF THE CHURCH

✠ “Thus we observe that when God institutes the Old Law, He makes provision besides for sacred rites, and determines in exact detail the rules to be observed by His people in rendering Him the worship He ordains. To this end He established various kinds of sacrifice and designated the ceremonies with which they were to be offered to Him. His enactments on all matters relating to the Ark of the Covenant, the Temple and the holy days are minute and clear. He established a sacerdotal tribe with its high priest, selected and described the vestments with which the sacred ministers were to be clothed, and every function in any way

pertaining to divine worship. Yet this was nothing more than a faint foreshadowing of the worship which the High Priest of the New Testament was to render to the Father in heaven.”

*Mediator Dei, n.º. 16*

#### IN THE PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Place upon me, O Lord, the helmet of salvation, that I may overcome the assaults of the devil.

*Prayer for the Amice*

Make me white, O Lord, and cleanse my heart; that being made white in the Blood of the Lamb I may deserve an eternal reward.

*Prayer for the Alb*

Gird me, O Lord, with the cincture of purity, and quench in my heart the fire of concupiscence, that the virtue of continence and chastity may abide in me.

*Prayer for the Cincture*

#### QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION

1. How do the liturgical vestments worn at Mass help us to recall the vision of heaven in the Eternal Banquet?
2. How can the clothing worn by the laity be an expression of their commitment to the Christian virtues?
3. What does our clothing demonstrate about the value of what we are celebrating?

#### FOR FURTHER READING

Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments, *Redemptionis Sacramentum*, March 25, 2004.

# PRAYER WITH MARY, MOTHER OF JESUS THE PRINCE OF PEACE, FOR THE END OF THE WAR IN UKRAINE.

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St. Therese would like our parish families to begin continual prayers for the end of the war in Ukraine.

The statue of Mary will accompany one family for a period of one week.

After one week another family will be able to pick up the statue at the end of Mass on Sunday.

To schedule the pickup of the statue, please contact the parish office.

Families who take the statue of Mary home are asked to say the following prayers  
and one decade of rosary for peace in Ukraine.

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God of peace, God of mercy  
We pray for the people of Ukraine,  
We lament the violence that has come to their country.  
We ask for comfort for those who mourn, hope for those who despair and  
compassion for all who suffer.  
We plead for an end to violence and aggression in their land  
We pray for the people of Russia,  
We give thanks for those who protest for peace and pray for ongoing courage  
We ask for a change of heart in those who commit acts of aggression and  
war against their fellow citizens and neighbours  
We pray for Russians who will suffer because of sanctions and war  
We pray for leaders around the world  
We pray that world leaders might work for an end to war and for establishing of peace  
We seek wisdom for those who are making life and death decisions  
about how to respond to violence and threats of violence  
We ask for courage for those who campaign for peace.  
We pray for aid workers and journalists  
We give thanks for the willingness of aid workers to work in situations  
of war and unrest in order to meet the needs of others  
We ask for safety, wisdom and compassion for all working to alleviate suffering  
and heal the wounded  
We pray for journalist and media organisations reporting the situation in  
Ukraine and Russia, may they report truthfully and compassionately.  
We pray for peace  
We lament violence around the world  
We plead for the ceasing of violence and the establishment of peace  
We pray that you might give us a desire for peace and a  
willingness to work and hope and pray for peace each day. Amen

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## OLDEST UKRAINIAN PRAYER TO THE BLESSED MOTHER (1037 A.D.)

We fly to Your patronage, O Virgin Mother of God.

Despise not our prayers in our needs,  
but deliver us from all dangers, since you alone are pure and blessed.  
O most glorious Ever-Virgin Mary, the Mother of Christ our God,  
accept our prayers and present them to Your Son and our God,  
that for the sake of You, He enlighten and save our souls.



# **MASS INTENTIONS**

## **SATURDAY February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

8:30AM Intentions of the Daughters of St. Mary of Leuca

4:30PM God's blessings on Paul Holy on his birthday • Req. by his Family

## **SUNDAY February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

9:00AM † Antonio Scanga • Req. by the Knights of Columbus

11:00AM God's healing for Bob Taylor • Req. Joan Flood

7:00PM Members of our Parish

## **MONDAY February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

7:00PM † Chris Pestano • Req. by Family

## **TUESDAY February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

7:00PM † Castrense & Winston Veloso • Req. by the Veloso Family

## **WEDNESDAY February 19<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

7:00PM God's blessings on Belden Sequeira • Req. by Anthony & Jeniffer Sequeira

## **THURSDAY February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

7:00PM † Josiah Sequeira • Req. by Anthony & Jeniffer Sequeira

## **FRIDAY February 21<sup>st</sup>, 2025**

9:30AM † Hannah Sequeira • Req. by Anthony & Jeniffer Sequeira

7:00PM † Antonio Scanga • Req. by Family

## **SATURDAY February 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2025**

8:30AM Intentions of the Daughters of St. Mary of Leuca

4:30PM † Theresa Yaskolskie • Req. by Jennifer, Edward & Bianca Herbacz

## **SUNDAY February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2025**

9:00AM † Antonio Scanga • Req. by Trevine & Deirdre Joachim

11:00AM † Iolanda, Lidia & Giovanni Amendola • Req. by Carmela Cupelli

7:00PM Members of our Parish

## • PARISH PRAYER REQUESTS •

*Please pray for those who are sick,  
and those who love and minister to them:*



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Angela Extross  
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Gwen Traynor  
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Kathleen Corkum  
Kazai Campbell  
Luk Wong

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Michel Cascon  
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