

**St. James Parish Pastoral Council** – Father Ken O’Brien, Hugh Howard, Kevin Knox, Maggie Lavigne-Jukes, Wanda Tracey, Mike Donohue, Michael Kelly, Stephan Grasmuck, Beth Verheyen.

**Nativity of Our Lady Mission Pastoral Council** – Father Ken O’Brien, Howard Bernard, Marie Dionne, Sandy Nash, Irwin Sarazin, Michael Truskoski.

**St. Ann Parish Pastoral Council** – Father Ken O’Brien, Cecilia Curry, Tom Holly, Bardella Kelly, Moses Martins, Ann McIntyre.

**Parish Contacts – St. James**

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| Altar Servers              | Mark Searson     | 649-2225 |
| C.W.L. President           | Janice Doiron    | 633-2047 |
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| Custodian                  | Mark Tracey      | 628-2020 |
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**Celebration of Holy Mass during the week:**  
**March 28<sup>th</sup> – April 5<sup>th</sup>**

All week-end and week day masses are cancelled until further notice.  
Mass intentions will be re-scheduled when regular Church hours are back in place.



Those who have died, especially those who have no one to pray for them.

*Thank you for your continued support of your parish.*

*Reconciliation*  
at St. James is available before daily Eucharist.  
  
Saturday 4:45 – 5:15  
Sunday 10:15 – 10:45  
  
Nativity of Our Lady Mission and St. Ann’s Church before the Celebration of the Eucharist or by appointment.

*Baptism*  
Please contact the parish office at least one month prior to the desired date.  
*Marriage*  
Please contact the parish office **at least one year prior** to the intended date. No other arrangements should be made until the date for the church has been confirmed.

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**Tuesday—Thursday**

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# St. James the Less Church

## Nativity of Our Lady Mission

108 Chibekena Inamo, Pikwakanagan, ON

## St. Ann’s Church

50 McCauley Montain Rd., Cormac, ON

**Fifth Sunday of Lent**  
**March 29, 2020**



**Mass of the Lord’s Day**

**St. James, Eganville**

Saturday 5:30 p.m.  
Sunday 11:00 a.m.

**Nativity of Our Lady, Pikwakanagan**

Sunday 9:00 a.m.

**St. Ann’s Church** Tuesday 7:00 p.m.

**Mother of Perpetual Help Devotions:** Thursday mornings in conjunction with Mass.

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:** First Fridays from 9:00 a.m.

*Please remember those among our families and friends who are suffering the burden of illness or pain, especially:*

Marie (O'Brien) Swant  
Kevin O'Kane  
Esther O'Malley  
Orpha Breen  
Lisa Selle  
Patrick O'Kane  
Sharon Menard  
Larry Felhaber  
Kelly Haslett  
Claire Lavalley  
Emmett Duff  
Judith Commanda

May they experience the love and warmth they need that they may be healed in body and spirit.

**World Day of Youth,**

**Sunday, April 5<sup>th</sup>**

***“Young people must say to the world: It is good to follow Jesus! You bring us the joy of faith and tell us that we must live the faith always with a young heart.” (Pope Francis)***

My Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Each day in my prayers I am remembering all of you in St. James, Nativity of Our Lady and St. Ann's. Hoping all are well and using your time in self-isolation to deepen your relationship with the Father, Son, Holy Spirit and Our Lady. Equally important is keeping a watchful eye on an elderly neighbour and doing what you can for someone who needs a helping hand.

This Sunday, March 29<sup>th</sup>, we celebrate the Fifth Sunday of Lent. The Gospel reading is from the Gospel of John, 11:1 – 45. Within the Gospel there are two main stories that are related to each other, the raising of Lazarus, and his sisters Martha and Mary. When Jesus received word that Lazarus was very ill Jesus did not drop everything and run to see his friend. It was just the opposite, Jesus took His time because he knew that he would raise Lazarus from the dead. When he went to Bethany, he was met by Martha who was not pleased that Jesus was so slow to come.

The next conflict was with Martha and Mary. Martha was the one being very busy with doing all the work, while Mary was at the feet of Jesus listening to every word that He spoke.

These two situations have a lesson for every person. The raising of Lazarus from the grave points to the celebration of the forgiveness of sinners through the beautiful Sacraments of Baptism and Reconciliation and Peace. We should always, but especially during this time of isolation, spend time looking at our lives during an examination of conscience each day. How did I hurt my relationship with God by offending my neighbour?

The story of Martha and Mary, is one that we all know well. Martha was so very busy with all the different things that needs to be done to keep a home running smoothly. Even while Jesus was in their home, she was so busy getting something ready to feed Jesus, where Mary sat and listened to Jesus. During this COVID19 outbreak we have to be like Mary and listen to the Doctors, the different levels of governments, be isolated, etc. I think there are too many Martha's among the people. If we all listen and do our individual best to follow the rules, we will conquer this virus. Filled with faith and hope we will conquer the situation we find ourselves in at this present time.

Continue to watch out for your neighbour, give a helping hand at safe distance from each other.

I pray that God will keep us all safe, as we lift everyone up in prayer.

*Father Ken*

| Date  | Lectors | Euch. Ministers | Gift Bearers | Greeters | Collectors |
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| Saturday<br>Mass cancelled until further notice |         |                 |              |          |            |
| Sunday<br>Mass cancelled until further notice   |         |                 |              |          |            |

Sunday, April 5<sup>th</sup>, is the celebration of Palm Sunday, the Passion of Our Lord. With the Church presently being closed, there will be palms made available to everyone on the Sunday, outside at the main front entrance doors to the Church. The palms will already be blessed by Fr. Ken. We ask that you remember the elderly and those unable to leave their homes, and see that they have one for this Easter Season. Please remember to practice social distancing while at the Church doors, so that St. James can continue to aid in a solution to the coronavirus problem.

Prayer for Those Who Are Worried about the Spread of the Coronavirus  
*Father,*

*Worry and fear are not of Your heart. 1 John 4 reminds us that perfect love casts out all fear, and we pray Your perfect love upon the hearts of all those who are burdened with the fear of this virus. Lord, we know with no doubt that You are bigger than the threat of anything, especially illnesses. Please comfort those who are living in fear, please free them from the bondage that anxiety creates within. Remind them that You are still on the Throne and that You are still in control. Fully rain down the serenity that comes only from the Prince of Peace. Help those who are living in unease to trust You in this time so that in times to come we may rest assured that You will be faithful to be with us until the end of the age. We rest at the Throne of the Almighty such fears and cast them upon You (1 Peter 5:7), for Your burden is Light and Your Yoke is easy (Matthew 11:30), we know You cover us with Your wings (Psalm 91:4).*

*In Jesus' name, Amen.*



*Please Remember the Food Bank!*

