

Fifth Sunday of Lent

March 17th, 2024 ~ Liturgical Year B

Mass Intentions † March 18th to March 24th, 2024

Monday..... **NO MASS**.....**March 18th**

Tuesday Saint Joseph, spouse of The Blessed Virgin Mary – Patron of Canada & of the Universal Church.....**March 19th**

8:00 am ♡ Special Intention of Jessica & her child
(By Vince Addario)

♡ Special Intention of Nader & Evens-Nader Joiséus
(by Family)

Wednesday.....**March 20th**

8:00 am † Deceased members of the Ciolfi & Passero families
(by Carmine & Norma)

† Shirley Luciani (by Family)

7:00 pm 📖 Sung Evening Prayer with Men's Schola

Thursday**March 21st**

8:00 am † Clinton Paul (by Patricia)

† Louis Lizzotti (by Family)

Friday.....**March 22nd**

8:00 am † Domenic Scarfone (by Anna Arillotta)

† Giovanna Garofalo (by a parishioner)

7:00pm Stations of the Cross - Via Crucis **in English**

Saturday.....**March 23rd**

8:00 am ♡ Special Intentions of Baley Roman (by Carol)

† Giuseppe Marcone (by Maria Marcone)

5:00 pm † Antonio & Petrina Celestini

(by Maria & Lino & family)

† Deceased members of the Ruscio family
(by Theresa Ruscio & family)

† Michele Pizzacalla (by Linda Pizzacalla)

† Tony Bussi (by Mom Maria Bussi)

† Larry DalleSasse (by Edda DalleSasse)

† Nicola Frank Dell'Omo (by a friend)

Sunday.....**Palm Sunday of The Passion of The Lord**

.....**March 24th**

8:00 am ♡ † For The People of Holy Rosary Parish

9:30 am † Chiarina Serravalle (by Maria Falovo)

† Salvatore Zangari (by wife & children)

11:00 am † Tara Wright (by Patricia)

† Serafina & Vitterio Magno

(by Lou & Nancy Magno)

5^A Domenica di Quaresima (B)

17 Marzo 2024

Dio è fedele alle sue promesse. Credendo in questo, continuiamo il nostro cammino quaresimale con la certezza che Dio ci ama e che Gesù, suo Figlio e nostro fratello, ci ha redenti con la sua sofferenza e la sua morte in croce.

Today's Gospel shows us some Greeks who come to Philip and Andrew, the only apostles with a Greek name, and say that they want to see Jesus. They bring them to Jesus. The pagans of today come to us, Christians, asking to show them Jesus. To be a Christian means to be a witness. To those who ask to see Jesus, we need to answer with our word and life. We need to show him to them! To witness Jesus is not an option, it is our duty! It is an essential part of our identity as Baptized and confirmed Christians!

Some commentators say that Jesus doesn't really respond to the request of Greeks. Others instead argue that his response is in fact the best: to see Jesus means to see his suffering and his cross. Jesus didn't present a triumphant



image of himself, as a stoic or hero! To those who wanted to see him, he appeared fragile. He didn't show himself as an undisturbed hero who challenges death, but as a person with human emotions.

It is so also for us: Jesus wants to make himself visible in us through our humanity. Our world today is very similar to the Greek world of Jesus' times: based on the cult of success, on the acceptance of the audience. Today we try to hide images that show the other side of the coin: death, frailty, and failure. The Gospel invites us to assume another perspective: "When we put on the cross our ego, when we die to ourselves to allow Jesus to live in us, it is then that we can see the Kingdom of God spread around us." (Chiara Lubich).

Fr. Janusz Roginski, S.A.C.

SANCTUARY LAMP: This weekly Sanctuary Lamp is donated in memory of *Sylvio & Marietta Domanico*. The Sanctuary lamp is lit to remind us of Christ's presence in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar.

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for the Month of March

For families in crisis.

Let us pray that broken families might discover the cure for their wounds through forgiveness, rediscovering each other's gifts, even in their differences.

Lent 2024 One Church Thorold Ministerial March 20, 2024 – Carol Dueck, Trinity United

All Wednesday services will be held at St. St. John's Anglican, followed by fellowship & Light Refreshments.



TAIZÉ PRAYER SERVICE

Saturday, March 23, 2024 at 2 pm

Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Church

Presented by: Holy Rosary Choir, Cantors, Niagara Men's Schola, with the talents of Jadwiga Pomorski, violin, and Darren McLeish, piano/organ.

EASTER FLOWERS: Anyone who would like to make a donation in memory of a loved one for Easter flowers and decor is asked to include your loved ones' name on the "Flowers for Easter" envelope in your boxed set of Offertory Envelopes, or any other envelope marked "Flowers for Easter" with your name and address.





The CWL of Our Lady of the Holy Rosary

Presenting our

Butter Tart Festival and Spring Bake Sale

Sunday, April 7, 2024 from 9:00-12:00 noon

Spring Draw 50/50 tickets will be available

Please join us and enjoy a cup of coffee or tea!

Calling All Book Lovers!!!! - Spring Book Sale

April 12-14 from 11a.m.-3 p.m.

Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Church Hall

Donations being accepted in the hall

on Saturday April 6 from 4:00-5:00p.m.

& Sunday April 7 from 9:00-12:00noon

For other times please contact Kim Kuchar at 905-732-6601

Do not leave your donations outside of the church hall!

Save the date!! Family Pasta Night at Club Belvedere

Thursday April 18 from 4:00-7:00p.m.

Eat in or Take-out available

More details to follow!



Mark your calendar for the **second Thursday of each month**. The format is takeout only from **4 to 7pm**. Beef on a bun, roasted potatoes and coleslaw for only \$12. Hope to see you there on March 14th.

Save the date for our annual Garden Fest April 12-14!

High quality fertilizer, grass seed and compost will be available for sale. Save your bottles for the bottle drive. **Community BBQ on Saturday from 11-3pm**. All proceeds to selected charities.



GOOD FRIDAY- MARCH 29, 2024

THE PASSION ACCORDING TO JOHN

Bishop Gerard Bergie - Good Friday is a day we remember the Passion of our Lord. This year we invite you to join Bishop Gerard Bergie, Bishop of St. Catharines for his reflections on the journey of our Lord to the cross as told by the evangelist John.



HOLY SATURDAY, MARCH 30, 2024

THE GLORIOUS MYSTERIES OF THE ROSARY - *Father Peter Turrone* - Holy Saturday is a

time for quiet reflection on the gift that is Jesus Christ. This year we invite you to join Father Peter Turrone as he reflects on The Glorious Mysteries of the Rosary.

www.dailytvmass.com Watch or Listen Online Anytime
youtube.com/dailytvmass www.dailytvmass.com



Parish Lenten Reconciliation Service followed by Individual confessions on Thursday, March 21st, 2024 at 7:00pm.

NEXT WEEKEND March 23rd and 24th

We remind all parishioners that our Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord celebrations will begin at the hall for a procession with palms to the Church.

The 2024 Niagara Foundation for Catholic Education Annual Benefit Gala in support of students in need and scholarships will take place **Thursday, March 21, 2024** at Club Roma Event & Conference Centre (125 Vansickle Road, St. Catharines). Tickets are \$100.00 per person and may be purchased online at www.niagaracatholic.ca or by cheque. Call 905-735-0240, ext. 214 for further information.



Week 5: March 17 – Solidarity Sunday

This Lent, please give generously

This Solidarity Sunday, Development and Peace — Caritas Canada’s Reaping our Rights campaign invites you to give generously and thanks you warmly for your generosity. Your donation transforms the lives of some of our most vulnerable sisters and brothers across the world.

“Development and Peace — Caritas Canada accompanies, supports and respects our institutional autonomy. It creates a climate of trust. I thank our sisters and brothers in Canada for their solidarity, a solidarity that generates life opportunities, that accompanies the dreams of women and men, of families, of communities and territories. Thank you!” — Eva Colque, Executive Director, Fundación NUNA, a partner in Bolivia Help create hope and dreams of the communities we support in the Global South by giving to your Share Lent parish collection or at devp.org/give. Thank you for your solidarity!

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION: There will be a

Learning & Prayer Session for **Confirmation** Candidates on Tuesday, March 19 at 7:00pm in the Parish Hall.

FIRST COMMUNION PREPARATION: There will be a

Learning & Prayer Session for **First Communion Candidates and their Parents** on Wednesday, March 20th at 6:30pm in our Parish Hall. Families will sign up for an interview time following this Session.

FEAST OF ST. JOSEPH (March 19): On this Solemnity of St. Joseph, Principal Patron of Canada and Patron of the Universal Church, let us pray for his intercession as we face these challenging times:

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,

Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man. Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen.

FROM FORGIVENESS TO HEALING

**Come and Celebrate the Sacrament of Penance
DIOCESAN DAY OF RECONCILIATION**



On Saturday, March 16, 2024, in every parish church across the diocese a priest will be available from 10:00am – 2:00pm to hear individual confessions. No matter how long it has been, you are welcome to celebrate the Sacrament of Penance, which assists us in spiritual discipline as we turn away from sin and open our hearts to reconciliation and healing; or you can also simply come to pray before the Lord.

<u>Weekly Offering</u>	<u>CAD</u>	<u>CAD</u>	<u>CAD</u>
<u>Weekends</u>	<u>25-Feb-24</u>	<u>03-Mar-24</u>	<u>10-Mar-24</u>
In Church offertory:	\$ 3,750.50	\$ 3,748.80	\$ 5,443.65
Online Offertory:	1,075.00	988.40	1,041.48
Church Maintenance	235.00	85.00	60.00
Basement Renovation	110.00	160.00	70.00
Initial Offering	40.00	-	20.00
New Years	70.00	-	90.00
Easter	50.00	10.00	-
Total	\$ 5,280.50	\$ 4,992.20	\$ 6,725.13