

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 1st, 2026 ~ Liturgical Year A

Mass Intentions

✠ February 2nd, 2026 to February 8th, 2026
As we gather, let us remember and pray for . . .

Monday..... The Presentation of the Lord..... February 2nd

♥ For Vocation to the Priesthood (by Vince Addario)

♥ **Special Intention of Anne Marie Surin** (by Friends)

Tuesday..... February 3rd

8:00 am ✠ Gerry Kennedy (by a Friend)

✠ Elena Pizzacalla (by Linda Pizzacalla)

Wednesday..... February 4th

8:00 am ✠ Emma Mauro (by Family)

✠ Carmen DeRose (by Family)

Thursday..... St. Agatha, Virgin, Martyr..... February 5th

8:00 am ✠ Antonio Addario (by Vince Addario)

✠ Elpidio Pineda (by The Catechist Sisters)

Friday..... February 6th

St. Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs

8:00 am ✠ Pompeo Joseph Petrini (by Maria Petrini)

✠ Leonardo Serravalle (by Marcella Serravalle)

6:00 pm ♥♥ Mass in Honour of the Sacred Heart of Jesus ♥♥

✠ Familiari Gazzellone

Saturday..... February 7th

8:00 am ✠ Antonietta DiPardo (by Family)

✠ Peter Corrado (by Laura)

5:00 pm ♥ **Special Intention of Fr. Janusz Roginski**

(by Mike & Angela Braun)

✠ George, Blanche & David Keefer (by Karen & Lance)

✠ Philip Doyle (by George Saranchuk)

✠ Hugue Andre Chrysostome (by Friends)

✠ Ann Iamonaco (by Joseph & Janice Gabriele)

Sunday..... Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time..... February 8th

8:00 am ♥ ✠ The People of Holy Rosary Parish

9:30 am ✠ Mario Mastrangelo (by Carmela Mastrangelo)

✠ Donald Romano (by Donald & Carmel Ciancio)

11:00 am ✠ Carina & Mario Cecchini (by Family)

✠ Philomena McNeil (by Joan Devine & Family)

SANCTUARY LAMP:

This week's Sanctuary Lamp is donated in memory of
Rev. Piotr Golinski. The Sanctuary lamp is lit to remind us of
Christ's presence in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar.

Pope s' Prayer Intention for the Month of February

For children with incurable diseases:

*Let us pray that children suffering from incurable diseases and
their families receive the necessary medical care and support,
never losing strength and hope.*

**ARE YOU ON P.A.R. (PRE-AUTHORIZED
REMITTANCE)?** This is an **easy and convenient** system for
Church offering and also **to avoid your offertory envelope
number to be changed.** Please, call the Church office at
905-227-3178 for more information.

OPEN HOUSE – OLHR CES

Kindergarten Open House and registration at Our Lady of the
Holy Rosary – CES, **February 5th, 2026 – 9:30am to 6:00pm.**

**IV DOMENICA DEL TEMPO ORDINARIO / A
S. Severo; S. Brigida; S. Raimondo - 1° febbraio 2026**
*Le beatitudini capovolgono i criteri del mondo. La gioia
la costruiamo ogni giorno: non nel possesso e nella
chiusura, ma nel dono, nella mitezza e nell'operare per
la pace. Oggi ricorre la 48ª Giornata per la vita.*



Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Catholic Women's League

Note: **Afternoon** Meeting for February
Tuesday February 10 @ **1 pm** @ Holy Rosary Hall
Wear Red or Pink! Not a member?
Want to attend? We welcome you!
Info? Call Linda 905-227-1499

World Marriage Day and Recognition of Significant Wedding Anniversaries

All married couples, especially those
celebrating significant anniversaries in 2026 are invited to attend a
Mass commemorating the **2026 World Marriage Day.** Bishop
Bergie will preside at this special Mass on Sunday, February 8,
2026, at 3:00 pm, at the Cathedral of St. Catherine of Alexandria
(3 Lyman Street, St. Catharines). A reception will follow Mass.
**Married couples celebrating their 1st, 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or
60th+ wedding anniversary in 2026,** who would like to receive a
congratulatory certificate from Bishop Bergie, are invited to
complete a registration form available at the parish office or online
at https://saintcd.com/around_the_diocese/event/116.



Beef on a Bun Night is back with a new price for 2026!
The Knights of Columbus will be offering delicious beef
on a bun with all the fixings on **Thursday, February 12,**
4 pm to 7 pm, Holy Rosary Hall. Enjoy a hearty meal including
a fresh bun stuffed with slices of beef and gravy, coleslaw and
roasted potatoes for only \$14. The Beef-on-a-bun is held on the
second Thursday of each month. The format is takeout only. Cash
payments only.

FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH IS DEDICATED TO THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS.

There will be Mass in Honour of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus,
February 6th, First Friday of the Month at 6:00pm, at our
Parish. ***Please Join!*** Jesus promises that He will pour His
abundant blessings on the undertakings of all those who are
devoted to His Sacred Heart.

CONGRATULATIONS!!!

To **Mr. RYAN ROSE,** the
Winner/Gagnant, of the 50/50,
January 2026, Draw Prize.
Ticket number is:



When I was preparing myself for today's homily I found a very interesting article on happiness by Scott Young. He asked: «How many times have you caught yourself thinking that you would be happy when/if? "I'll be happy when I achieve my goal." "I'll be happy if I get more money." "I'll be happy when I have a boyfriend/ girlfriend/ spouse." "I'll be happy if I have better friends" ». Then he sharply observes: «The problem is that solving problems doesn't make you happier. Happiness isn't reality but **a way of interpreting reality**. If you can't find happiness right now, then solving a million problems won't uncover it. » Then he sums up with a Buddhist quote: "There is no way to happiness. Happiness is the way." Challenges and problems create the means for growth and happiness not the obstacles to them.

At first it seemed to me very enlightening! That is what Jesus meant when he said: "Blessed are the poor, those who mourn, who hunger and thirst etc." You are happy in any kind of circumstances, just look at the difficulties as an opportunity for growth and more happiness! Just change your mind, your way of viewing the situation. But then I realised that it can be done all by myself, without anybody's help! All is needed is just a little shift in focus in my mind! And I asked myself: is it really what Jesus meant? Why then does the prophet Zephaniah say: "Seek the Lord, seek humility"? There must be something more than that in Jesus' answer!

To St Paul and St Matthew, Jesus' faithful disciples, to be poor, weak means to be chosen by God. Here is the first difference: God plays an important role in our happiness! Moreover, according to the beatitudes our dependence on others seems to be an indispensable condition for happiness! Why is it so?

We may think that offering help to others is noble, but accepting help from others is humiliating. While the former underlines our ability in something, the latter points out to our weakness in something! It's embarrassing!

Not in the eyes of God! He created people different on purpose: so that they may exchange their gifts, so that they may give and receive, so that they may be interdependent on each other. You can give only when there is somebody who is willing to accept the gift. Whenever such connections between people are opened, we are happy! We can offer something to others and be completed by others; we can love and be loved in return!

What is your beauty worth when there is nobody to admire it? What is your talent worth if there is nobody to whom you can serve with it? The world is full of promising, brilliant people whose talents nobody appreciated and who ended up taking drugs or drinking alcohol!

Really happy are those who are in friendship with God and people. Happy are those in whom God lives and in whose hearts there is place for others. The situations described in beatitudes are not mind-switches but rather heart-openers: they open the gates to human hearts. Every situation in which we have to depend on somebody else is a chance to inviting God to our lives, it is a chance to be friends with somebody else.

Our hell begins whenever we try to be independent from everybody, when we think that we can do it on our own; when we feel powerful enough to do it by ourselves. Then our happiness is over. The devil claimed such independence and power at the beginning of times and ended up as the most unhappy creature in the universe. There is no happiness without God! There is no happiness without others! Happiness is like a river that springs out from God and flows from heart to heart! Are you ready to let it flow through your heart?

Fr. Janusz Roginski, S.A.C.

Live Christ, Share Christ Prayer Assembly & Teaching Series

Experience a profound strengthening of your Catholic faith as LCSC Prayer Assembly & Teaching Series resumes, inviting you on Saturday, February 21st from 1-4pm at the Parish Hall, where fellowship, spiritual growth, and refreshments completely free of charge. Open to all who seek spiritual nourishment.

EMMAUS YOUTH ADULT MINISTRY (Tuesdays, 7-9pm, St. Denis Church)

This Tuesday, February 3rd, 2026, the young adults of the diocese invite you to **join us for prayer, formation, and fellowship at St. Denis Church, 230 Lake Street, St. Catharines**. For more information, contact Fr. Daniel at corso.danielanthony@gmail.com or follow us on Instagram@emmaus.ya

The Fundraising Committee Team would like to address a heartfelt "**Thank You**" to those who participated and continue to participate in all the activities to help raising money for the Church Basement Renovation. If you have not send your e-transfer yet, we would like to hear from you. THANK YOU!

First Annual Overnight Winter Retreat. High School Youth are invited to the Diocese of St. Catharines' First Annual Overnight Retreat starting at 6:30pm on February 12, 2026 and ending at 2:00pm on February 13, 2026. The retreat will take place at Jericho House (10845 Rathfon Road, Port Colborne ON). The cost of the retreat is \$100.00. Please register at <https://form.jotform.com/260156619738061>. For more information, contact Francesco Capisciolto, Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministry, 905-684-0154, Ext.204 or youth@saintcd.com.

➤ We welcome, with great joy, our newly baptized, **Jeremiah Riaz and Eleanor Isabelle Riaz** who joined our Parish family. May God bless these new members and their families as they live as followers of Jesus Christ.

Called to *Serve*
Hospitality Ministers

Our brothers and sisters who serve the parish community in the capacity of ushers and greeters are much more than collection takers and distributors of the weekly bulletin. They are representative of our overall community. In addition to welcoming visitors, they assist new parishioners and help with the elevator to help all parishioners experience an accessible environment. If you would like to join our Hospitality Ministry Team, you are invited to participate in our Hospitality Workshop on **Saturday, February 28th at 9:00 am in the Church**. Call the Parish Office for more information.

We extend sincere condolences and prayers to the family and friends who mourn the recent loss of **Daniel Bertrand Meloche**. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen!

♥Most Sacred of Jesus, have mercy of us!♥