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 Deacons: Anthony Ruta P.D.
 Timothy Dunlop P.D.
 William Carson P.D.

MASSES

Seating is on a first come first serve basis.

Weekday Masses:

Tuesday - Friday 12:05 noon
 Saturday 10:00 am
 Doors will open 15 minutes before mass begins

Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm
 Sunday 9:00 am
 11:30 am
 7:30pm

Holy Hour:

Friday 11:00 am
 Doors will open 15 minutes before Holy Hour begins

Confessions:

Saturdays 4:30 - 4:55 pm
 Sundays 8:30 - 8:55 am &
 11 - 11:25 am

Baptism:

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Twelve months notice and Marriage Course usually required

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Tuesday - Friday 9:30 am - 11:30 am & 2:30 - 4:30 pm

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PARISH LIFE

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	Sunday 11:00am Diana Swift
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CHILDREN & YOUTH MINISTRIES

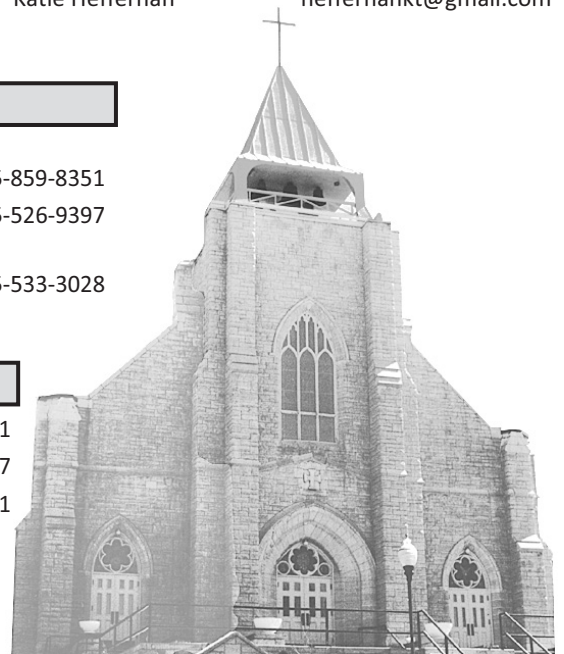
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OTHER SERVICES

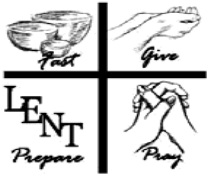
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SCHOOLS

Monsignor Castex School	705-526-2831
Sacred Heart School	705-526-0107
St. Theresa's High School	705-526-1311



FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT



Mass Intentions First Week of Lent

Tuesday February 23

12:05 noon + Eugenio & Caterina Moscon
Requested by John & family

Wednesday February 24

12:05 noon + Wladyslawa & Zygmunt Jastrzebski
Requested by Edward & Joanna

Thursday February 25

12:05 noon + Stefania & Francisek Soltys
Requested by Edward & Joanna

Friday February 26

Holy Hour

12:05 noon +Luigia Ingriselli
Requested by Rosa Ingriselli

Saturday February 27

10 am + Robert & Gail LeClair
Requested by the family

Sunday Masses Second Sunday of Lent

Vigil Mass - Saturday February 27

5pm + Peter Durkin
Vigil Mass Requested by Elsa, John Paul and Peter

Sunday February 28

9 am + Wladyslawa & Zygmunt Jastrzebski
Requested by Edward & Joanna

11 am Missa pro populo

7:30 pm + Robert & Gail LeClair
Requested by the family



Prayer Requests

Please pray for:

Shelley Smith; Anne Marie Radko;
Nadine Adams; Nellie Kwapis;
Sherry-Jane Jeffery; Josh;
Krista Bourgeois; Louise DeVillers;
Nicole Marchildon;

Please pray for our recently deceased relatives & friends:

Barbara Swales; Remi Baillargeon; Lucille Wylie;
Gordon D'Eri; Anita Dawe; William "Willi" Willfling;
Matthew Proulx;



The Pope's Prayer Intention For February: *Violence Against Women*

We pray for women who are victims of violence, that they may be protected by society and have their sufferings considered and heeded.

Thanks be to God, St. Margaret's Parish reopened and resumed the public celebration of mass after our second lockdown on February 16th. This re-open is in the RED ZONE (stringent) of the Simcoe Muskoka Health Unit/ Provincial Government COVID_19 Framework.

We are not out of the woods yet and must continue with much prayer and prudence to the adhere to Safe Worship Guidelines that were introduced in June 2020.

We continue our prayers of gratitude for the front-line workers who've for over a full year and continue now to serve their fellow neighbour showing many acts of love in the fight against the virus.

As we return to St. Margaret's to celebrate mass and the sacraments let us be reminded of a few things from the Safe Worship Guidelines:

- **Hand-Hygiene:** Parishioners will be asked to sanitize their hands upon entrance and exit of the building. Please be prepared.
- **Social Distancing:** Parishioners must remain 6 feet or 2 meters apart from fellow parishioners at all times. Parishioners are asked to promptly enter and exit the church, NO congregating in entrances, exits or the parking lot.
- **Masks:** Parishioners must wear a properly fitting mask at **ALL** times, while in the church building and on church property. Masks covering both the nose and chin must be on and in place **before** entering the building. Parishioners are not permitted to remove their mask once seated in a pew.

"I am my brother's keeper" Gen 4:9

Wearing a mask, sanitizing your hands and social distancing are concrete acts of charity towards our brothers and sisters in Christ. As Christians we called to do corporal acts of mercy. Let us move forward together in unison.

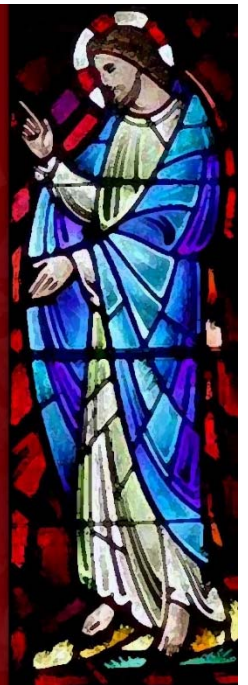
God of love,
you gave your life to free us from sin.
Help us to embrace the sacrifices
we make in wearing masks,
staying home, getting vaccinated,
and otherwise limiting our
freedoms to stop the spread of COVID.
May all of our efforts accelerate
the healing needed to usher us back
into life after the pandemic. Amen.



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**Reflection
for this
week
Into the
Desert**

'Tempted', in the Scriptures, means 'put to the test'. Jesus was led (in Mark, driven) into the desert to be put to the test. For a start, the desert itself put him to the test. A desert

gives you nothing to eat, it makes you feel utterly powerless, and it seems totally indifferent to your fate.

First, a superficial interpretation: The three temptations of Jesus correspond to these three facts about deserts. He felt hungry, and when he looked at the stones he saw bread. (A Hindu poet who used to write a lot about the moon fell into great poverty, and whenever he looked at the moon now he saw only a chapatti!) Secondly, the feeling of powerlessness tempted Jesus to power, and thirdly the uncaring desert made him imagine God sending "his angel to care for you." All this may only mean that the devil has a feeling for place! At any rate, temptations are never just disembodied ideas.

At an individual level we can all look around us and investigate our particular temptations. They will be related to our own time and place, to the things nearest us, to our hungers, ambitions and fears. And they are not always obvious.

The temptations of Jesus can be interpreted as not so much temptations to evil, as to limited kinds of goodness. How do you tempt a good person - with evil? No, he or she will not take that bait. You tempt them with goodness—but with some kind of short-term, self-defeating goodness. As we start this sacred season of Lent, we are encouraged to look with clear sight, enlightened with the Holy Spirit, at our temptations.

Grace and peace, Fr. Roselle



**WHAT IS
LENT?**

Lent is a time of **prayer and penance**, when Christ wants to lead us back to our baptismal promises of **dying to sin and of living for God**.

WHEN IS LENT?

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday and continues until the afternoon of Holy Thursday. It runs for about 40 days.

WHY 40 DAYS? The "40 days" (not including Sundays) of fasting, prayer, and penitence before Easter reflect Jesus' 40 days in the wilderness.

**WHAT SHOULD WE DO
DURING LENT?**

1. Turn away from our sins and turn back to God. Detach from habits and tendencies that are contrary to God's will. Lent is a time of conversion.
2. Open our hearts to our Father, so that we may live with Christ for God. Jesus is calling us to be people of praise and prayer, and living signs of his love for all.

"This time of fasting opens the gates of heaven to us. Let us welcome it and pray that when Easter comes we may share the joy of the risen Lord."
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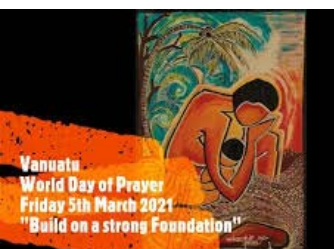
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World Day of Prayer: Friday March 5, 2021

On Friday March 5, 2021 we will celebrate the World Day of Prayer. The service has been prepared by the women of Vanuatu, a country of Islands near Australia. Due to COVID-19 the service which normally take place in a local place of worship will be virtual. Those wishing to join zoom service are asked to reach out to Sandra Morson from the CWL or the parish office to get all the information on how to join this event.

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