

#### Pastor:

Father Roselle Cyrille R. Azares Deacons: Anthony Ruta P.D. Timothy Dunlop P.D.

#### **MASSES**

Seating is on a first come first serve basis.

#### Weekday Masses:

Tuesday - Friday 12:05 noon Saturday 10:00 am

#### **Sunday Masses:**

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

**Holy Hour:** 

Friday 11:00 am

**Confessions:** 

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For parishioners to get mass intentions and other items.

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#### **PARISH LIFE**

**Parish Secretary** Juanita Wootton-Radko

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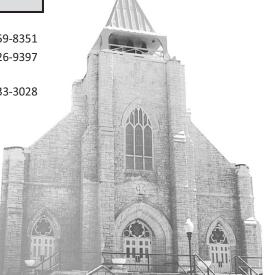
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## Tuesday March 28

12:05 +Joseph and Irena Czaplinski

Requested by Frances Ezman

## Wednesday March 29

12:05pm Special Intention for Rita Cote Requested by Theresa Laurin

## **Thursday March 30**

12:05 +Rose Maguire

Requested by Dolores Maguire

## Friday March 31

11am - Holy Hour

12:05 +Perpetua Graham

Requested by Dolores Maguire

Stations of the Cross 7:00

## Saturday April 1

10 am Special Intention requested by a parishioner

## **Palm Sunday**

## Vigil Mass - Saturday April 1

+Veronica Lavigne 5 pm

Requested by Bill Lavigne

## Sunday - April 2

9am +Rose and Charles Maguire

Requested by Dolores Maguire

11:30 am Mass for the People



## The Pope's Prayer Intention for March

For Victims of Abuse

We pray for those who have suffered harm from members of the Church; may they find within the Church herself a concrete response to their pain and suffering.

## **Stand in the Light**

Jesus told his disciples if they wanted to follow him they would have to give up many things in life. He told them that "foxes have holes and birds of the air have nests but the Son of God has no place to lay his head." He depended on the generosity of people like Martha, Mary and Lazarus. Jesus was very close to them, so when Lazarus was very ill, Mary sent a word to Jesus.

But Jesus deliberately delayed coming to Bethany because he indicated that the illness was not to end in death, but for the glory of God. Going to Bethany posed another problem since earlier, the Jewish authorities tried to stone Jesus. However, no argument could convince Jesus from going to see his friend Lazarus.

The gospel on this Fifth Sunday of Lent (John 11: 1-45) tells that when Jesus arrived in Bethany, Lazarus was already dead for four days. Jesus has brought back to life the daughter of Jairus and the son of the widow at Nain, but to bring back to life someone who has been dead four days is something else. Only God can do that. Jesus tells Martha: I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, even though they die, will live and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?

Jesus asks the same question today. Do we believe that the resurrection of our Lord can mend all brokenness in our lives and strengthen our faith? Today is a good day to examine ourselves and figure out what we can do to make our faith alive and begin to make a difference in our community.

When Lazarus was laid in the tomb, he was trapped, bound and unable to move. The power of Jesus freed him from that awful enclosure. So, we ask: what are the possible areas that still restrict us from following Jesus? Could it be our lack of trust in God's providence and mercy, our inclination to passing pleasure, our desire to control and manipulate things, or worse, fellow human beings, or something else? It is the Holy

Spirit that transforms the world and purifies the hearts and minds of people.

The compassion of Jesus knows no bounds. He knew the anguish and pain of Martha and Mary at losing their brother Lazarus. He took time off from his hectic schedule to see them and show them his love. We are asked to do the same with our family members and friends. We are to show compassion always, but especially in stressful times such as the loss of a loved one.

It is always a struggle to keep the faith alive in the midst of a broken world. We need the continuing reminder of the power of the resurrection of Jesus that can heal and transform us. He alone can give the peace that endures forever. When we come to receive our Lord Jesus in the Holy Eucharist, we are to receive him with grateful and joyful hearts. Further, let us proclaim to the whole word the Good News that Jesus is alive!

Grace and peace,

Fr. R C R A



Please remember the following people in your prayers: Sherry Archer; Abigail Brown; Romelda Morson; Nicole Marchildon; Stephen Roach; Lilah Bates; Shelley Smith; Nadine Adams; Peter Pattenaude; Bob Kokron; Brenda Bylow; John Jerome; Marshal Laurin

Please pray for our recently deceased relatives and friends: Norma Jivcoff; Verna Marchand; Deacon Bill Carson; Mary McCarthy;

Please contact the parish office with your prayer requests for so we may add them to the prayer list and respond.

# 2023 Holy Week/Easter Schedule

Palm Sunday marks the beginning of Holy Week. We encourage parishioners to enter fully into the spirit of these sacred days by participating in the church's liturgy.

## **Palm Sunday**

Saturday Vigil April 1 5:00 pm

Sunday April 2 9:00, 11:30 am

**Holy Week** 

Tuesday April 4 Mass 12:05 pm

Wednesday April 5 Mass 12:05 pm

## **Easter Triduum**

Holy Thursday April 6

**Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper** 7:00 pm Adoration at the Altar of Repose until 9:00pm

Good Friday April 7

Celebration of the Lord's Passion 12 noon

3:00 pm

Good Friday is a universal day of fasting and abstinence from meat.

Easter Saturday April 8

(No 10 am Mass today)

Blessing of Easter Food 11:00 am
Easter Vigil 8:00 pm

Easter Sunday April 9

Mass 9:00, 11:30 am

(Note: No confessions will be heard today.)

## The Pope's Prayer Intention for April

For a Culture of Peace and Non-violence

We pray for the spread of peace and non-violence, by decreasing the use of weapons by States and citizens.

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