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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:

Saturdays 4:30 - 4:55 pm

Sundays 8:30 - 8:55 am &

11 - 11:25 am

Baptism:

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Tues-Fri. 9:30 am -4:00pm

For parishioners to get mass intentions and other items.

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PARISH LIFE

Parish Secretary

Juanita Wootton-Radko

Choirs Saturday 5:00 pm

Adele Heins

Sunday 9:00 am

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Sunday 11:30 am

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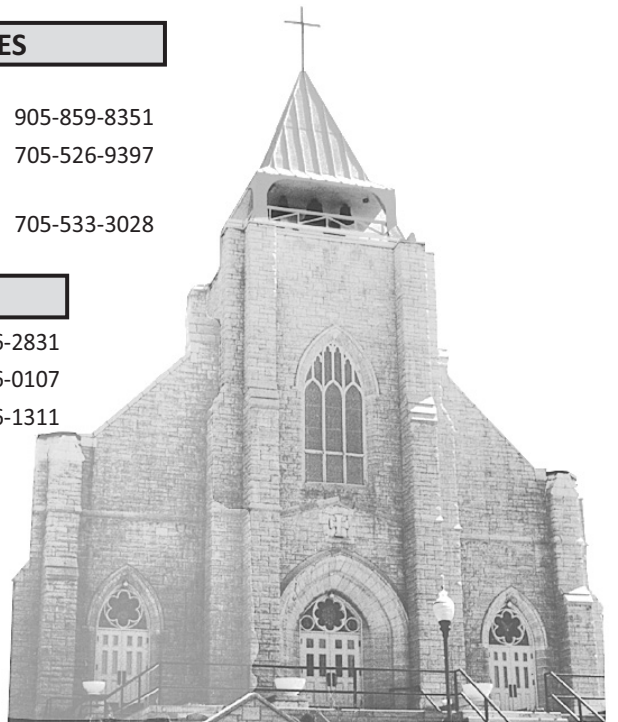
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FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT



Tuesday Feb 20th

12:05pm +Henry & Carol Landry

Requested by Elizabeth Landry & family

Wednesday Feb. 21st

12:05 pm +Shirley Fournier

Requested by Howard Fournier

Thursday Feb. 22nd

Chair of St. Peter, Apostle

12:05 pm +Norma Bernard

Requested by the Bernard & Rickard families

Friday Feb 23rd

11 am – Holy Hour

12:05 pm + Eugenio & Caterina Moscon

Requested by the Moscon family

Saturday, Feb. 24th

10:00 am Special Intentions for Rev. John Michael Lee, C.P.

Requested by Gord & Cathy McKay

Second Sunday Of Lent

Saturday Feb. 24th

5 pm +Frances Lyons

Requested by Lana Lyons

Sunday Feb 25th

9 am + Brenda Bylow

Requested by Colleen

11:30 am Mass for the People

The Pope's Prayer Intention for February

For the terminally ill

We pray that those with a terminal illness, and their families, receive the necessary physical and spiritual care and accompaniment.

Into the Desert

We have now entered into the season of Lent. The Gospel on this First Sunday of Lent (Mark 1: 12-15) presents Jesus being led by the Holy Spirit into the desert where he remained for many days. The desert is not a place where many people would like to go and stay. But what good was it for Jesus to stay for forty days in the desert? As his disciples, why are we being led also by the Holy Spirit into a kind of 'desert'?

First, it is in the desert that we are confronted with the truth of our poverty and nothingness – a privileged place that challenges us to live in humility and simplicity. The barren desert strips us of the things we attach ourselves to obsessively and sometimes even violently. Our inner struggles tempt us to go back to our life's comforts and securities – things that don't last.

Secondly, the desert helps us to acquire clarity and wisdom concerning the real value of things and the profound meaning of life, where we can more clearly understand the true purpose of God's spiritual and material blessings, be grateful for what we have, and generously share them with others. Also, being aware of our weakness, we learn to respect, appreciate, and love people, no matter how different they are from us.

Thirdly, the desert invites us to hear the 'beating of God's heart'. God's heartbeat is you and me. In the desert's silence, we listen to God, loved by him, know his will and follow it with humility, generosity, courage and fidelity. It is when we have drawn our hearts so close to the Lord that we achieve real communion with Him. And only then we can experience lasting peace and joy.

Like Jesus, we do not always stay in the desert. We leave it to carry our God's mission – Jesus' message of repentance and faith – in situations and places where the Holy Spirit leads us. As we continue to make the world a living sign of God's Kingdom, it is important to constantly remind ourselves of the necessity to keep on going back to the desert. Like Jesus, we may always find the time and that quiet yet challenging place in which to pray, so that we can truly love and serve God in others.

Grace and Peace,

Father R C R A

Adult Faith Formation Series

A light lunch will be provided after each session—free-will offering gratefully accepted.

Passion of Jesus Christ

Sat. March 2 and 9th 10:45 am – 11:45 am
Go deeper in your faith this Lenten season with Fr. Wayne Bolton's in-depth speaking series illustrating the Passion narratives of the gospels.

Celtic Spirituality

Sat. March 16 10:45 am – 11:45 am
Fr. Wayne Bolton covers monasteries, missionaries and the sacred spaces of the Emerald Isle.

Kindergarten Registration at SMCDSB

Is your child turning 4 in 2024? If so, it's time to register for Kindergarten!

We encourage parents who want to register their child for Kindergarten to visit the website at smcdsb.on.ca for welcome videos and registration information.



Please remember the following people in your prayers: Marie Logan, Lisa Wright, Judy Martin, Mark Charlebois, Michael Pontze, Frank Whitkins, Dottie Whitkens, , Bob Dorion, Carol Quesnelle, Barrett Smith, Alex Latondress, Malachy Maguire; Nick Tardif, Lynda Stanek; Lloyd Leroux; Mary Fletcher; Sherry Archer; Abigail Brown; Romelda Morson; Nicole Marchildon; Stephen Roach; Lilah Bates; Shelley Smith; Nadine Adams; Peter Pattenaude; Brenda Bylow; Marshal Laurin, John Gunther, and Marilyn Dalton

Please pray for our recently deceased relatives and friends: Vincentia Bee, Julia Vanbiesbrook, Bob Kokron, Rev. Noel Whelan and Rev. Manfred Schmid.

St. Vincent de Paul Update **February 2024**

The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul, St. Margaret's Conference report for **2023**:

- At the food bank, we served over 2,000 people, including 653 children.
- On each visit, they receive a food supply to last five to seven days.
- Food drives & our thrifty shopping (\$31,000 cost) has kept our pantry well stocked
- At Christmas expenditure was over \$44,000; we completed 148 applications assisting many individuals, couples and families, including 174 children
- Accommodation, utilities expenses assistance amounted to \$29,000

None of the above activities would have been possible without the generous donations from parishioners and individuals totalling \$52,900. Other notable contributions are ShareLife (\$16,000) and Metro Richelieu \$18,541 through Midland Food Basics collecting \$2 food bank donations by the cashiers. This kindness reflects the awareness of the essential needs of our community.

In regard to furniture and household items, we have formed a collaboration with the Knights of Columbus who co-ordinate the pickup and delivery. This has been a rewarding partnership.

The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul provides food and financial assistance on a non-discriminatory basis regardless of race, religion, gender or sexual orientation. Our dedicated volunteers work tirelessly in providing this much needed service. There are no paid employees.

Thank you for your generous contributions. With continued financial support, we know we can continue to serve our mission and helping those less fortunate.

World Day of Prayer

Friday March 1, 2024 2:00 pm

The prayer service has been prepared by the women of Palestine. The theme is "I Beg You...Bear With One Another in Love" Ephesians 4:13

Please join with the churches of Midland and gather for this service. *Refreshments will be served.*

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