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MASS INTENTIONS

*As instructed by the Ministry of Health and the Cardinal's office Masses are cancelled.*

**Prayer for Our Doctors**

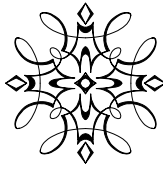
Jesus, Master Physician of all times, Your Divinity did not require a Ph.D. Eagerly, You resurrected the dead, Restoring the health of the sick. Be it physical or spiritual torment, None, were a great obstacle to You: For Your loving power is omnipotent. I ask for Your abounding healing love; Maintain my body and soul vigorous So I may fulfill my daily functions. The world will be conquered by You, All, afflictions will be dissipated!

**Prayer**

O God who are the only source of health and healing, the Spirit of calm and the central peace of this universe, grant to me such a consciousness of Your indwelling and surrounding presence that I may permit You to give me health and strength and peace, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Monthly Comparison for: February

| Offertory | 2018      | 2019      |
|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Envelopes | \$ 13,875 | \$ 13,631 |
| Loose     | \$ 4,153  | \$ 3,348  |
| PAG       | \$ 7,004  | \$ 7,075  |
| Total     | \$ 25,032 | \$ 24,054 |



*FRIAR'S NOOK*

After the homily at Mass is a time of transition. We begin with the Profession of Faith - the Creed. You may have noticed that during Lent those in the Rites of Christian Initiation of Adults or RCIA are dismissed at this point. This is because they have not professed the Creed with us formally and have not yet become one with the Catholic Church.

Historically the Liturgy of the Word was open to anyone the faithful and potential converts as well, but the Liturgy of the Eucharist is reserved exclusively for those fully received into the Church.

What follows is typically called the General Intercessions or Prayers of the Faithful but is formally called the Universal Prayers. They are "universal" because they are for the whole church and the world. This is not a time for particular personal prayers. As we prepare to celebrate the Liturgy of the Eucharist this should remind us that we are a universal church and not just simply a local congregation.

Although this is not technically part of Sunday Eucharist, the collection usually takes place after this. The collection, occurring at this time, should remind us that what we give, we give to the church universal. Our offering supports the church locally in the parish and it's ministries, but also supports the global church bringing the good news in word and action to the world. A cousin of mine once called me excitedly to tell me they were building a new church. "Guess how they're paying for it" she said. "We're paying for it!" I asked who did she think would pay for it, and she said the Church. Then I asked her who the church was, and she realized that it is us! Since we are the church, we can't expect someone else to do it for us. Then the gifts are brought up, usually the bread and wine and oftentimes the collection. The bread and wine are prepared for the celebration of the Eucharist.

We begin our eucharistic prayer with a preface that usually is related to the theme of the season. Then we sing out the Holy, holy, holy... to God - the Father, Son, and Spirit.

The prayer continues speaking of God's goodness and love for us up until the time of Jesus. Then, we move into the words of institution that is the words of Jesus at the Last Supper as he instituted the Eucharist. This is the greatest act of God's love and goodness that we have!

Till next week...

*Peace, love and joy,  
Fr. Bob*

**Please Pray for:**

**The Sick:** Brent Groh, Danny and Regina Bergin

**How can you “Live the Gospel” when life is so busy?**

Many people help those in need by volunteering at a local organization. But if your schedule doesn't allow for it, you can still make a huge impact in your community by supporting ShareLife-funded agencies. Next Sunday is the first ShareLife collection. Over the next week, please reflect on your ability to “Live the Gospel” by making a sacrificial gift to our parish ShareLife campaign. Next Sunday, March 29 is ShareLife Sunday. Please give generously.

**100th birthday of Pope Saint John Paul II.**

You are invited to celebrate the 100th birthday of Pope Saint John Paul II. Mark your calendar for the Canadian Pope John Paul II Day FLAG RAISING CEREMONY at the Nathan Phillips Square on Sunday, March 29th, Nathan Phillips Square: 2:00 PM. Also...on the anniversary of his birthday, May 18th we will have a Mass here at St. Joan of Arc at 7:00 PM followed by a reception. If you are interested in helping out please contact Fr. Ken at frken@joanofarc.ca or Extension 229.

**A Corona Virus Prayer**

*Jesus Christ, you traveled through towns and villages “curing every disease and illness” At your command, the sick were made well. Come to our aid now, in the midst of the global spread of the coronavirus ,that we may experience your healing love. Heal those who are sick with the virus. May they regain their strength and health through quality medical care.*

*Heal us from our fear, which prevents nations from working together and neighbors from helping one another. Heal us from our pride, which can make us claim invulnerability to a disease that knows no borders.*

*Jesus Christ, healer of all, stay by our side in this time of uncertainty and sorrow. Be with those who have died from the virus. May they be at rest with you in your eternal peace. Be with the families of those who are sick or have died. As they worry and grieve, defend them from illness and despair.*

*May they know your peace. Be with the doctors, nurses, researchers and all medical professionals who seek to heal and help those affected and who put themselves at risk in the process. May they know your protection and peace. Be with the leaders of all nations. Give them the foresight to act with charity and true concern for the well-being of the people they are meant to serve.*

*Give them the wisdom to invest in long-term solutions that will help prepare for or prevent future outbreaks. May they know your peace, as they work together to achieve it on earth.*

*Whether we are home or abroad, surrounded by many people suffering from this illness or only a few, Jesus Christ, stay with us as we endure and mourn, persist and prepare. In place of our anxiety, give us your peace. Jesus Christ, heal us. AMEN.*

***IN CASE THE PANDEMIC CONTINUES - MASS TIMES FOR TELEVISED MASSES.***

**DAILY MASS**

VISION TV 8:00 AM & 12 PM;  
JOY TV 10:30 AND 4:30 PM;  
HOPE TV 2:30 PM; YES TV  
1:00 PM; SALT AND LIGHT  
11:00 AM & 3:00PM

**SUNDAY MASSES:** VISION TV  
8: 00 AM ; JOY TV 10:30 AM;  
HOPE TV 2:30 PM ;YES TV  
10:30 AM..

**Healing Prayer**

Lord, look upon me with eyes of mercy, may Your healing hand rest upon me, may Your lifegiving powers flow into every cell of my body and into the depths of my soul, cleansing, purifying, restoring me to wholeness and strength for service in Your Kingdom. Amen.





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