



Most Precious Blood

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Centred in Christ, we are a welcoming community sharing our talents and goodness, joyfully celebrating and reaching out to all.

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Office Hours: Monday to Friday 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Weekend Masses:

Saturday Vigil - 5:00 PM

Sunday - 9:30 AM, 11:15 AM

Weekday Masses:

Tuesday 7:00 PM

Wednesday 8:30 AM

Thursday 8:30 AM

Friday 8:30 AM

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday 11AM - 12 NOON

Weddings: the couple is to contact the parish priest at least 9 months in advance of a desired wedding date.

Baptism: Contact the parish office

First Sunday of Lent

Jesus was tempted just as we are, but he knew how to respond. Jesus came to set us free so that we won't have to give in whenever we feel like doing or saying something that is wrong. Relying on Scripture and prayer, Jesus rejected Satan, just as we do at the time of our baptism.

So, our Lenten journey begins! We are reminded of turning away from sin and being totally dependent upon God. Are we willing to take this journey? Are we willing to give something up and to allow God to take more space within our hearts? Is there anything I may need to step away from so as to make room for God and other people?

This is a time to grow in holiness and in our relationship with God, ourselves and other people. This is the time to enter into a time of prayer, fasting and giving. Perhaps you and I do much of this on a daily basis. However, during this season of Lent I want to do it more intentionally, and focus on Jesus' journey as a way to grow closer to Him.

I need to see and accept my sinfulness and greater dependence of God so as to live out my baptismal call.

Let us grow together as a faith community that acknowledges our need for God in all things!

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT



MASSES OF THE WEEK

MASS INTENTIONS

March 10th – March 14th

Monday	- No Mass
Tuesday 7 PM	- Vida Korosec - <i>Mark & Anne Vrecic</i> - Florence Sinclair - <i>Neil & Yvonne</i> - Josef Mader - <i>Bagin Family</i>
Wed. 8:30 AM	- Mary Anne Gouthro - <i>Dominic & Lydia</i> - Joe Lobzun - <i>Bill & Bonnie Bailey</i> - Silvana Mocarski DeCecco - <i>Alida Rocheleau</i>
Thurs. 8:30 AM	- Tony Bortolin - <i>Giust & Michele Laino</i> - Geraldine Lanoue - <i>Bill & Bonnie Bailey</i> - Intentions of Alex Colautti - <i>Colautti Family</i>
Friday 8:30 AM	- Lorenzo Sementilli - <i>John & Mena Sementilli</i> - Marcella Facca - <i>Family</i> - Pat & Loretta Lauzon - <i>Darlene</i>



Mon. Mar. 10 th	- 2 PM Coffee House - 6:45 PM Health Council - 7 PM Youth Group - 7:30 PM Prayer Group
Wed. Mar. 12 th	- 1 PM Intercessory Prayer - 7 PM Bible Study
Thurs. Mar. 13 th	- 1 PM Quilting - 6:00 PM Choir
Fri. Mar. 14 th	- 1 PM Rosary Unborn - 6PM Soup - 6:30 PM Stations

"Nothing is really ours until we share it"

C.S. Lewis

"He who has two coats, let him share with him who has none; and he who has food, let him do likewise."

Luke 3:11

Youth Group "Take Action" Month

This past Monday we started our "Take Action" series with a lesson by Sister Linda on what it means to be a person of "Justice", what is social justice and what we can do as young people to help out our community. We focused on the See-Judge-Act model and groups made up skits on how Jesus would respond to particular social justice issues. We collected a huge amount of soap.

This Monday there is no meeting due to the March Break. Our next meeting will be on St. Patrick's Day, Monday, March 17th from 7-8:30pm. We will collect toothbrushes/ toothpaste for Street Help that night. There will be a guest speaker who just came back from the Philippines. We encourage everyone to wear green and we will also have some St. Patrick's Day fun!

Downtown Mission & Movie Youth Event

On Tuesday, March 11th the youth group will be heading to the Downtown Mission to get a tour and to be put to work by sorting clothes, food and doing some cleaning. We will have a quick lunch and then head out to see the movie "Son of God". Permission forms are due on Monday, March 10th by 4pm here at the church office. Please contact Christine if you have any questions.

First Eucharist Family Gathering

First confessions have been completed and now we move into preparing the children for First Eucharist. Our family gathering will be on Thursday, March 20th. The meeting will run from 6:30-7:30, so we are asking families to arrive by 6:15 to sign in. The children will be receiving their first lesson during this night and the work booklet, so it is very important that parents and children attend this gathering. If you have any questions please contact Christine as soon as possible.

Homeless in a Box ... Save the Date

Our 3rd annual homeless in a box will be taking place on Friday, April 1st for any youth in grades 5 through 8 beginning at 5:30pm and will run until 11pm. The Youth Stations of the Cross will take place during this time. Registration forms will be given out at youth group and will be available in the office at the beginning of April.

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE

"for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink..." Matthew 25:35

Did you know that one out of every 8 of God's children suffer from hunger? That's a total of 1 billion people on our planet. To die of hunger in our world of plenty denies the most basic human right: the right to enough food. We ask, "But what can we do that will make a difference?" Begin by keeping yourself informed on issues in the Global South. Do this through newspapers, TV reports, going to the Development and Peace web site regularly and read/hear the lived experiences of our poor brothers and sisters. Get involved as much as you can – join Development and Peace – it only cost \$5.00 a year. We are truly blessed here in Canada. Please plan your giving so it is not such a burden for you but is still a generous gift for the poor. Pray, pray, pray for peace and justice in this world.

D & P website – www.devp.org

Matthew Kelly in Chatham

Matthew Kelly, Catholic author who wrote; "Rediscovering Catholicism" will be in Chatham April 5th. If you would like to purchase tickets please call Holy Redeemer Parish at 519-627-2013 (x200).



Crystal Byerley, Velma Lefebvre, Jimmy Gloud, Linda Centofanti

OFFERTORY GIFTS

Last week the collection was \$ 4,569.20
Direct Deposit(avg. per week) \$ 1,031.00
Total Collection \$ 5,600.20

Building fund collection last week was \$80.00

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE

Building fund collection year to date is \$3,355.00

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

If you want to participate in the peaceful protest in front of Met. Hospital on Tecumseh Road, please pick up a sign in the office to use and then return.

SOUP AND STATIONS

We will be having soup and stations every Friday evening during Lent. Various service groups within the parish will be hosting the stations and providing soup. Soup will be served at 6 PM followed by the Stations of the Cross at 6:30 PM. This week sponsor is Catholic Women's League.



LENTEN FOOD DRIVE

During Lent, Society of St. Vincent de Paul requests food donations. Week 2: peanut butter & jam.

SALMON DINNER

The Catholic Women's League annual Salmon Dinner will be on Friday, March 28th. Adults \$13.00 and children eight and under \$7.50. One seating only at 5:30 PM so you will have the opportunity to attend stations of the cross in the church. Tickets on sale after all masses and in the office during the week.

Please pray for our Priests, Deacons and for Vocations.

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| Sun. Mar. 9th | Deacon A. Dedecker |
| Mon. Mar. 10th | Mrs. B. Hompoth |
| Tues. Mar. 11th | Mrs. J. Robinson |
| Wed. Mar. 12th | Rev. G. Bedard |
| Thurs. Mar. 13th | Rev. J. Kannath |
| Fri. Mar. 14th | Mrs. M. Heath |
| Sat. Mar. 15th | Rev. C. Gonzalez-Campos |

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