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March 31, 2019– Fourth Sunday of Lent

We are at the midway point of the Lenten Season. We wear rose vestments this weekend as a reminder of the joy we will experience in the Resurrection and the blessings we are receiving as we make our Lenten pilgrimage. St. Paul tells us in the second reading "in Christ, everything has become a new creation." Lent is all about becoming a renewed disciple. We recognize how the gifts of God's grace and mercy are sustaining us on our journey. The parable of the Prodigal Son reminds us of God's tremendous generosity of heart. The mercy of God is without limit. This is indeed a cause for joy.

St. Paul also reminds us our call to be reconciled in Christ so in turn we might become ambassadors of reconciliation. This is an important task in our world today. In the Sacrament of Reconciliation we have a joyful encounter with mercy. Be sure to avail yourself of this gift this Lent as a sure fire way to prepare for Easter.

Many thanks for the wonderful response to our Lenten Works of Mercy project. Our cupboards are filling up thanks to your generosity and we will be able to meet the needs of those who call upon us for assistance. Next weekend, return your Share Lent donations in the envelopes provided as we mark Solidarity Sunday and pray for those in developing nations.

Parish Team

Pastor:

Fr. Rob Rocheleau ext. 22

Coordinator of Youth Ministry

Maria Mollica ext. 23

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Custodian: Mike MacLellan

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Mass Schedule

Saturday ~ 5:00 p.m. Sunday ~ 10:00 a.m. Daily Masses ~ Consult inside

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday ~ 11 a.m. to Noon Weekdays by request

Baptism

Expectant parents are asked to contact the Pastor to discuss baptism.

Baptism preparation is required

Marriage

Contact the office at least eight months in advance. Marriage preparation is required.

Sacrament of the Sick

Communal Celebrations Seasonally. Individual anytime-contact Pastor for appointment.

Please Contact the office.

Office Hours

Tue., Wed., Thur., & Fri. 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Office is closed on Monday.

Vocations Calendar		
Please Pray for	Mass Intentions	
Monday, April 1 Fr. Alan Dufraimont	No Mass Today	
Tuesday, April 2 2:00 pm	Riverside Place	
7:00 pm Fr. Alan Momney	Janet Patihk- Her brother John Sabga & Family Maureen Gervais- Henry & Mary Bellemore Lillian MacMaster- Darla, Sandy & Kendall MacMaster	
Wednesday, April 3 10:00 am Fr. Robert Langlois	Tony Gugliotta- Maria Di Giorgi George Lewsaw- Janet Tocco	
Pastoral Minister	Martha & Jerome Perrier- Veronica Manera	
Thursday, April 4 9:00 am Fr. John Johnson	Violet Russette- Henry & Mary Bellemore Salvatore Scalia- His Wife & Family Rocco & Restituta Petrozzi- Pasquale & Antonia Muscedere	
Friday, April 5	Ints of Judy & Bob Haslam-Isabella McKeeve Krystyna & Czeslaw Cukierski- Their Family Gene Garant- Eileen & Family	
Saturday, April 6 5:00 pm Mrs. Virginia Eade Pastoral Minister	Intentions of the Parishioners	
Sunday, April 7 10:00 am Fifth Sunday of Lent Fr. Jose Seminati	Intentions of the Parishioners Isaiah 43.16-21 Philippians 3.8-14	

FIRST EUCHARIST: Classes have resumed on Thursdays at 6:30 pm in the Family Centre. Let us continue to keep the children in our prayers during this special time as they discover the

wonderful gift of the Eucharist. They will begin to receive after Easter.



FASTING AND ABSTINENCE: On Fridays during Lent, it is highly encouraged for all those who are able, and ABSTINENCE to fast from large meals and abstain from eating meat. These ancient

spiritual practices of self-denial help us to strengthen our resolve to better ourselves.

Youth Ministry: Youth group meets every Tuesday, 6:30 pm until 8 pm. What a wonderful way to meet other kids and journey together. Adult volunteers are always appreciated. We are grateful to our wonderful high school youth who do a great job leading the program.

LITURGIES FOR HOLY WEEK-MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Holy Thursday, April 18th Mass of the Lord's Last Supper @ 7:30 pm followed by time of prayer before the Blessed Sacrament in St. Francis Hall until 10 pm.

Good Friday, April 19th: Solemn Service of the Passion of the Lord-Veneration of the Cross and Reception of Communion @ 3 pm. There is just the one service today.

Holy Saturday, April 20th: Easter Vigil @ 7:30 pm Easter Sunday, Day of the Lord's Resurrection April 21st: Masses @ 9 am and 11 am.



SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptisms will take place on Saturday, April 27th at 11 am following Easter. The next dates

are Sunday, May 19th and Sunday, June 23rd. Please make arrangements with Fr. Rob now for baptism. Future dates are in the works once our family of parishes comes together.

Works of Mercy & Love: Suggested for the 5th Sunday of Lent – April 6/7:

Annual Share Lent Collection for Development & Peace (cheques made payable to Our Lady of the Atonement)

Financial Update		
	Feb 2019	Year to Date
Operating Revenues	41,958.75	73,022.35
Operating Expenses	\$37,693.07	\$74,207.12
Total Operating Surplus (Deficit)	\$4,265.68	-\$1,184.77
Capital Revenues	\$2,339.29	\$4,060.95
Capital Expenses	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Capital Surplus (Deficit)	\$2,339.29	\$4,060.95
Loan Fund on Deposit	\$229,544.96	

OUR LENTEN JOURNEY

Please join us on Fridays for prayer before the Blessed Sacrament following the 9 am mass until noon. Adoration resumes at 6 pm with Stations of the Cross at 7 pm and ending with Benediction. This weekly time of prayer is an opportunity to come before the Lord in silence and listen prayerfully.

NURSING HOME VOLUNTEERS

Monthly masses:

Tuesday, April 2nd at 2 pm-Riverside Place Tuesday, April 9th at 2 pm-Heron Terrace

New volunteers are always welcome to join us as we reach out to those in the homes. Contact Robin in the office for more information.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

To assist us with proper recording, please consider writing your name on the space provided on the envelope. We have so many similar names we want to make sure we are accurate in our record keeping.

Good Friday Fish Fry April 19th

Please note that the Fish Fry will begin at <u>4:30</u> <u>pm</u>. That gives us time to properly celebrate the Lord's Passion with Veneration of the Cross at 3 pm. The doors of the Family Centre will not be open until the service in the Church is completed.

There is a Time for Everything under Heaven...

Let us all pray for all those who are in need of healing, at home, nursing homes or in hospital, and all those who care for them. Let us pray also for those who have died:

Eric Gouin, Fr. Henry Cassano
May the Lord comfort those who mourn them.

Upcoming Events

Tues. Apr 2	6:30 pm Youth Group 7:30 pm K of C General Mtg.
Thurs. Apr 4	6:30 pm First Eucharist Class
Fri. Apr 5	4:30-6:30 pm K of C Fish Fry
Sat. Apr 6	10 am Centering Prayer
Tues. Apr 9	6:30 pm Youth Group
Thurs. Apr 11	6 pm CWL General Mtg. 6:30 pm First Eucharist Class
Fri Apr 12	10 am Centering Prayer 4:30-6:30 pm K of C Fish Fry

40 Days for Life Closing Rally - Sunday, April 14th, @ 2 pm (along sidewalk bordering Tecumseh Rd outside Met Hospital)

Vigil hours: 7 am - 7 pm every day until April 14th **Pray to end abortion!**

To register call Laurie Eberhardt at 519-300-6792 or visit our website: **40daysforlife.com/windsor**

LENTEN DVD SERIES

This year we will offer two opportunities each week to watch a short video on Conversion. Bishop Robert Barron from Los Angeles (wordonfire.org) will use 6 Biblical figures and the story of their conversion to help us on our journey of conversion. The DVD will be shown on Tuesdays (6:30 pm) and Wednesdays (9:30 am) immediately proceeding the daily mass in church. Each session is 20 minutes and will offer us plenty of inspiration for our Lenten journey. Please join us!

Please note: because of the DVD series, you are asked to pray the rosary privately on Wednesday mornings rather than communally.

BINGO WORKERS GATHERING AND TRAINING

The session scheduled for Saturday, April 10th has to be post-poned. Stay tuned for a new date for this gathering. Thanks

GOOD FRIDAY

In the past we have been able to offer a service in the morning. Ideally there is to be only one service (unless there is a pastoral need) so that the entire community can gather together around the Cross. Recent years have shown a second service is no longer necessary. As well, moving forward with our 4 different parishes in three locations, there will, out of necessity, be changes in how we are able to serve and we will adjust our liturgies accordingly.





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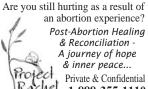
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