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FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

March 11th, 2018

*"The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want."*

Psalter IV



Parents wishing to baptize their children at Holy Family are invited to approach either Fr. Larry, Fr. Joseph, or Deacon Robert after any of the Sunday masses to obtain a Baptism package.

A reminder to all parents that baptisms are not celebrated during Lent, but will resume after Easter Sunday.

PREPARING FOR FIRST SHARING IN HOLY COMMUNION Parent Child Meetings



Parents are reminded to check the list posted in the parish hall and attend the assigned meeting with their child. The meetings will be held on the following dates:

Sunday	March 18	2:00 – 4:00pm
Thursday	March 22	7:00 – 9:00 pm
Thursday	April 5	7:00 – 9:00 pm
Sunday	April 8	2:00 – 4:00 pm

We ask that you arrange childcare for siblings so that you and your child, who is preparing for Holy Communion, may participate fully.

CELEBRATING THE LITURGY OF THE WORD WITH CHILDREN

We will celebrate a separate liturgy of the word with children during the 5:00 pm mass on March 17th, April 7th and April 14th and during the 12:00 noon Mass on March 18th, April 8th and April 15th. All children between the ages of four and eight are invited to attend. The leaders will guide the children in a celebration and reflection on the word of God.

If you would like to learn more about this liturgical ministry, or if you have any questions, please contact Catherine Ecker, our parish catechist: catechist@holyfamilybolton.ca

PREPARING FOR EASTER

Celebrating the Second Scrutiny

Today, during the 10:00 am Mass, we celebrate the second scrutiny with Isabelle, our elect. As we journey through Lent, we are in solidarity with the Elect and reflect on how the interior of our hearts and lives need to be healed so all that is good and upright may be strengthened. We continue to surround **Isabelle** with our prayers.

Also, we remember in prayer, **Ashleigh**, who is baptized and is preparing to be received into Full Communion with the Catholic Church, be confirmed and join us at the table of the Lord.

CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES

Did you miss the meeting in Lent?

If you and your sponsor did not attend the meeting in Lent, please contact Catherine, our parish catechist at: catechist@holyfamilybolton.ca

CELEBRATING THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION FOR THE FIRST TIME

A reminder to parents that once your child has completed the purple book, *We Prepare for Reconciliation*, you are to come together on a Saturday afternoon, between **2:00 and 4:00 pm**, so your child may celebrate this sacrament of healing for the first time. On the day of celebration, before you come to the church, gather as a family to review pages 53-55.

Your child is to bring the completed book to the celebration. We encourage you to come on the assigned date. Any remaining children should come on March 17th.

YEAR 'A' READINGS

The readings for
March 11th and March 18th
will be the readings
for Year 'A'.

CHANGE IN MASS TIMES!

Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday

March 25th and April 1st

The 8:30 Mass will begin at **8:15 am**.

SUGGESTIONS FOR THE FOURTH WEEK OF LENT

The Gospel today tells the story of the man born blind and his encounter with Jesus. Jesus describes himself as the light of the world and he tells us that we, too, are to be light for the world. On the day of our baptism we are reminded to keep the flame of faith burning brightly.

This week, find out the date of your baptism, mark it on your calendar, so that you may celebrate this anniversary each year. Pray for those who brought you to be baptized and for those who have nurtured you in faith.

We are encouraged to continue the practices of fasting, praying and giving. This week you are invited to pray for the different people you encounter. For example, you could pray for each cashier you meet, the bus driver, the other drivers who share the road with you and for all travelers.

You could fast from complaining, and feast on sharing good news; give your time to someone else, do an errand or chore without being asked; turn off the TV, computer, or cell phone and read with your child; listen to others. **Remember to tie a ribbon on the branches for each Lenten practice you embrace.**

LENTEN RETREAT HOLY FAMILY PARISH March 19th, 20th, 21st 7:00 – 9:00 pm

(Please note change in dates)

Join us in journeying with the Canadian Martyrs over three evenings, here at Holy Family. Each evening includes a reflection on the sacrifice of the Canadian martyrs weaved into the passion of Jesus. All are welcome and registration is not necessary.

LENTEN FOOD DRIVE



**FORTY CANS
FOR FORTY DAYS!**

We are challenged to bring 40 cans of food over the course of Lent to support our local food bank at the Exchange. Thank you!

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How do we "Live the Gospel" toward others when our daily lives are so busy? For some, it's volunteering at a soup kitchen, or it may be caring for an elderly relative. If we do not have the time to actively participate, we can support the many ShareLife-funded agencies within our community that bring the hands of Christ to those in need.

Next Sunday is the first ShareLife collection. Over the next week, reflect on your ability to help "Live the Gospel" through Catholic agencies, and make a decision to support our ShareLife parish campaign.

**March 18th is ShareLife
Sunday
Please give generously!**

**PASSION & RESURRECTION
NARRATIVES
Lecture Series**

Please join us as Fr. Joseph continues a series of lectures on the Passion narratives. We will continue March 12th. at 7:30 pm

After Easter, Fr. Joseph will begin the Resurrection narratives on Mondays April 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th, and May 7th, at 7:30 pm.

Pray! Fast! Give!



The EDGE is open to students
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**Saturdays 5:00pm Mass
Life Night follows**

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**ROOTED
For kids in Grades
3, 4, 5**

**Wednesdays
4:30 - 6:00 pm
Next ROOTED is
March 21st, 2018**

MOMS & TOTS

Moms, Dads and caregivers with babies and toddlers are invited very Wednesday morning, from 9:30am - 12:00 noon for refreshments and fellowship. Please join Deacon Robert and his wife Gabrielle for fun, frivolity and a "cuppa". Bring the kids. We have a great selection of toys and refreshments.



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**LIFE TEEN XLT
PRAYER AND ADORATION
Saturday March 17th, 2018
7:30 - 9:30 pm**

XLT is a gathering for people of all ages who want to see, know, and love God. We will share in praise and worship, hear about God's love from a speaker and spend time in Eucharistic Adoration. All young people, young adults and those young at heart are invited to join us.



Monday March 12th, 7:00 pm

†Irene Furbacher & her parents
Requested by Dasha Hrkal

Tuesday March 13th, 10:00 am

†Paulina & Angelo Sammut
Requested by Emma Bonnici

Wednesday March 14th, 7:00 pm

†Leticia Daowz Ruiz
Requested by Adriana Romero

†Renato Ortolan

Requested by Paul & Elaine Egan

†Maria Franchi

Requested by Paul & Elaine Egan

†Napoleon & Adelina Gileppo

Requested by Paulina

Thursday March 15th, 10:00 am

†Anna & Alessandra Prospere

Requested by their family

Friday March 16th, 10:00 am

†Jane & Michael Vela

Requested by Emma Bonnici

7:30 Solidarity Stations of the Cross

Saturday March 17th

5:00 pm

Sunday March 18th

8:30 am, 10:00 am, 12:00 noon

**SANCTUARY LAMPS
(March 7th - March 13th)
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