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CELEBRATIONS OF THE EUCHARIST

Monday - Saturday 5:30 PM

> Sunday 10:00 AM 12:00 PM

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 9:00am to 3:00pm Wednesdays - Closed

PARISH STAFF

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LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Altar Servers

Call the office

Eucharistic Ministers Catrina Bova

> Lectors: Genia Vanderkruk

10:00AM Choir

Susan McElcheran

Rehearsal: Thursday 7:30 PM

12:00 Noon Choir

Greeters/Ushers: Call the office

CELEBRATION OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM or by appointment.

BAPTISMS

Arrangements are made through the Religious Education office. Couples expecting a child are encouraged to contact the office before the child is born. Please contact Ext 1003, for

more information.

of the Sick: To arrange for a visit

MARRIAGE

Please call Fr. Bob or Fr. Alex at least one year prior to the planned wedding date.

Pastoral Visitation

Call the office Ext 1007

ORGANIZATIONS & ACTIVITIES

Catholic Women's League 4th Monday of the Month

> Children's Liturgy 10:00 AM Mass

Creation Care Ministry 2nd Tuesday of each month 7pm.

Development and Peace www.devp.org 3rd Monday of the month 7:00 PM

Merrymakers 3rd Thursday of the month 12:00 PM

> Knights of Columbus 1st Thursday of the Month

> > Parish Council Every two months

St. Vincent de Paul Society 2nd Saturday of the Month 1:00 PM

Second Sunday of Lent



Mass **INTENTIONS**

Monday, March 17

5:30pm Mary & Cyril Davis †

Tuesday, March 18

5:30pm John Sobie †

Wednesday, March 19

5:30pm The Parish Community

Thursday, March 20

5:30pm Deceased Friars. †

Friday, March 21

5:30pm Bebs Tuazon †

Saturday, March 22

5:30pm In Thanksgiving

Sunday, March 23

10am The Parish Community

12pm Int. of the Friars

SANCTUARY LAMP

(March 16 - 22)

This week's Sanctuary Lamp burns for the intentions of Adelina Banez.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

The Sick: Pope Francis, Nilton Alves Gomes, Ken Francis, Martin Rodrigues, Cecilia Salazar, Maryann Chard, Mark Szuba Virginia Kiflit, Mary Kelly

The Deceased:

Nancy Ocampo Al Jacob Mario Lo Bianco **Gerry Williams** Anna Bellini Kavals Blanca Cecilia Munoz Garcia Alicja Wrona

Birthdays in March:

Fr. Bob and Fr. Alex



The Friar's Nook

What is the meaning of the colours in the Mass? Let's discuss!

Throughout the year, we go through different episodes in the life of our Lord and in the history of salvation. In this journey in the Church, the colours and shapes of the liturgical vestments manifest these Mysteries that are present in the diversity of the liturgical seasons. Thus, there is a harmonious unity between everything that makes up the Holy Mass: words, gestures, actions and objects.

Each of the colours used for the vestments of the various feasts has a precise meaning. The most important are four: White (Easter), Green (Ordinary Time), Red (Palm Sunday, Good Friday and Pentecost) and Violent (Advent, Lent, Masses for the Dead). Let us explain them one by one.

White

Generally, white is associated with peace, serenity, purity or the divine. The Church has also understood this colour as a symbol of the holiness of God, so that in the liturgy of the Mass, we see the colour white in the Offices and in the Masses of the Easter season and of the Nativity of the Lord; also, in the celebrations of the Lord – other than his passion – of the Blessed Virgin Mary, of the Holy Angels, of the Saints who were not Martyrs, in the solemnity of All Saints, in the feast of Saint John the Baptism, in the feasts of Saint John the Evangelist, the Chair of Saint Peter and of the conversion of Saint Paul.

In the feasts of the Blessed Virgin, where white is usually used, the use of sky-blue ornaments is also permitted. The use of this colour is a privilege enjoyed by Spain and Hispanic countries, as well as by the Franciscan order, granted in 1883 by the Sacred Congregation of Rites.

Fr. Alexander



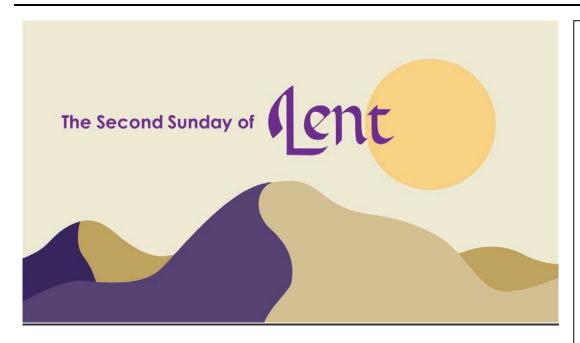






Turn Debt Into Hope

This year, the universal Church celebrates a Jubilee Year. It is a year in which Pope Francis invites us to "forgive the debts of countries that will never be able to repay them." (Spes non condundit, 16). Did you know? Development and Peace - Caritas Canada is responding to this call through the global Turn Debt Into Hope campaign and petition. Be sure to check the D&P brochure that you received in last week's bulletin, as well as the D&P bulletin board in the hall for more info. For more information, visit their website: devp.org. Thank you for your participation and continued concern.



Share your Lenten Intentions with us!

Parishioners are reminded to share their Lenten intentions, thoughts and prayers by writing them down on "intention slips" at the back of the Church. Everyone is welcome to place their filled in, tightly folded intentions in the baptismal font on the altar throughout Lent. Enter them as often as you'd like! On Holy Saturday, these intentions will form the kindling for the Blessing of the Fire outside of the Church.

Merrymakers Luncheon (Mar. 20)

The Merrymakers will be meeting this week and are excited to welcome you back! Eucharist will be celebrated in the Church at 12:00pm, followed by lunch in the Parish Hall at 12:30pm. Tickets are \$15 each and can be purchased in the hall after Mass this weekend. Consider joining this important group in our parish and bring a friend with you.

Stations of the Cross (every Friday during Lent)

A reminder that during the season of Lent, we will pray the Stations of the Cross following the 5:30pm Mass. Stations on March 21 will be led by our Religious Education team. Come and deepen your Lenten observance with this special devotion. All are Welcome.

Fair Trade Weekend (March 22/23)

Next weekend, **Development and Peace** is hosting its Fair Trade Weekend in the hall after the <u>5:30</u> and <u>10:00</u> Masses. (12:00pm Mass attendees are invited to drop in between 11:30 and 11:50am). Check out the **Solidarity Table** for ways in which you can stand together with our sisters and brothers in Lent – both here and around the world.

Presentation on Christian/Jewish Relations (Mar. 29)

In 2025, we are joining with the whole Church, as Pilgrims of Hope, in celebrating the Second Vatican Council's historic teaching of *Nostra Aetate #4:* The Catholic Church's relationship with the Jewish people. Come and hear from *Mia Theocharis* (Key moments in Catholic-Jewish Relations) as well as *Murray Watson* (Significant Links between Passover and Easter). Happening from 9:30am – 12:00pm in the Hall. Light refreshments Are included and the day is sponsored by the Sisters of Sion. We hope to see you!

Jubilee Walking Pilgrimage (Apr. 4)

Parishioners are invited to participate in a walking pilgrimage to Our Lady of Sorrows Parish (3055 Bloor St. West) on Friday, April 4. We will particiate in the reciting of the Rosary at 8:25am, followed by Mass at 9:00am. Parishioners may travel to OLS Church on their own by whatever means they wish, or you may join us in gathering at St. Joan of Arc Parish at 7:30am. Together, we will take the subway to Royal York. Please join us!

Your Gifts to God (\$)

| for March 8/9 | |
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| Expenses | \$6300 |
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| Envelopes | \$2580 |
| Loose | + \$744 |
| PAG (wk) | + \$1353 |
| Online | + \$53 |
| Received | = \$4730 |
| Short | - \$1570 |

**Ash Wednesday: \$1230

We require \$6300 a week in March (\$31,500 a month) to cover our basic expenses.

Thank you for supporting SJA's mission with your donations! Together, we are making our parish a place of grace for all – no exceptions.

HAPPENING AT ST. JOAN OF ARC

Mar. 20 – Merrymakers Mass & Luncheon (12pm)

Mar. 29 – Parish Presentation on Christian and Jewish Relations

Apr. 4 – Jubilee Walking Pilgrimage to OLS (7:45am)

Apr. 4 – St. Michael's Choir School Chorale during the 5:30pm Mass

Apr. 12 – Confirmation Rehearsal (2pm)

Apr. 15 – Parish Dramatization of the Stations of the Cross by BMTM Students (7pm)

May 3 – First Communion Rehearsal (2pm)

For these events and more, visit our virtual calendar at joanofarc.ca.



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