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Monday to Wednesday: 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

WEEKDAY LITURGY:

Monday to Thursday: 8:30 a.m.

SUNDAY LITURGY

Saturday: 4:30 p.m. & Sunday: 9:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 3:00 p.m. to 4:15 p.m.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Monday to Thursday: 7:00 a.m. to 8:15 a.m. (Confessions are available during this time)

PARISH REGISTRATION

Welcome to new parishioners. Please call the parish office to register.

BAPTISMS:	Julia Moffat	613-697-7966
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		ns prior to marriage date
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PASTORAL COUNCIL:	Joe Cousineau	
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SOCIAL ACTION:	Pat & Inez Gignac	613-526-0172

"You have made us for yourself Lord, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you."

PARISH SCHOOLS			
St. Augustine Elementary	1009 Arnot Road	613-225-8020	
St. Rita Elementary	1 Inverness Ave.	613-224-6341	
Frank Ryan Senior Elementary	128 Chesterton Ave.	613-224-8833	
St. Piux X High School	1481 Fisher Ave.	613-225-8105	

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PASTOR'S DESK - MARCH 23, 2025

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Patient Stewards

"He said to the gardener, 'For three years now I have come in search of fruit on this fig tree but have found none." - LUKE 13:7

We can all be like the barren fig tree at times. Do you cling to what you have, or do you generously share with others? How will you respond when God asks you what you have done with all the gifts He has given you? Remember, not only are we called to be generous; we are called to develop and nurture our gifts as Stewards; and return them with increase. We are called to be generous with all our gifts; especially the one that means the most to you.



Our Lenten journey continues to discover many areas for renewal. God has called us to make an inward pilgrimage. The world as we know it assures us attractions and distractions; even invites us to forget God! It is not easy for us to believe that the ultimate solution to our restlessness lies in a journey inward. The one journey that ultimately matters is the journey into the place of stillness, deep within oneself. To reach that place is to be at home. To fail to reach it is to be forever restless. To much inside us and around us invites us to forget this and it is too dangerous ever to forget this.

For you made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they find their rest in you. Book 1, Chapter 1 (St Augustine)

SILENCE AROUND THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

We have noticed that people are gathering after Mass to socialize near the Blessed Sacrament. The Blessed Sacrament is a place of profound reverence, where it is considered respectful to maintain a peaceful and quiet environment. It is not a place for casual conversation.

Parishioners are most welcome to gather either in the foyer at the back of the Church (Baseline Road entrance), or downstairs in parish hall after Mass.



Margaret Heaslip, Maureen Funai, Maxine Kelly, Lillian Bradley, Barbara Minshall, Paulette Chennette, Edith Pakenham, Paul O'Grady, John Leman, Sydney Massine, Maureen Clulee, Ava Marrongelli, Deacon Chris Moffat, Lynn Kealey-Webb, Frances Grandbois, Richmond Guillermo, Ken and Christiane Taylor, John Lebrun, Donna, Wanda Hartlin, the seniors at the Ravines and at Stirling Park, those who are isolated, lonely and scared and those suffering from mental illness, Covid, or RSV.

SCRIPTURE READINGS – MAR. 23RD

Third Sunday of Lent

First Reading: Exodus 3.1-8a, 13-15

Moses, you will tell the children of

Israel: I AM has sent me to you.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 10.1-6, 10-12

Our ancestor's experience in the desert under Moses is recorded to

instruct us.

Gospel: Luke 13.1-9

Unless you turn back to God, you

will perish as they did.

VIGIL LIGHT INTENTION FOR THE WEEK OF MAR. 23RD

The vigil light in front of the Blessed Sacrament is reserved for:

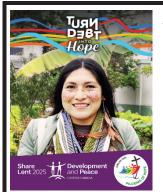
~~ preparation to receive graces & blessings during Michaela's pilgrimages ~~

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS MARCH 23RD – 3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

That like Moses, our young people will enter more deeply into conversation with the Lord in prayer as they seek to discover their vocations in Christ. We pray to the Lord.

SEARCH

The Search will start again on Tuesday, March 25th, and will go weekly until Tuesday, May 6th in the Parish Conference room, from 9:15 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. It starts with coffee, tea and light refreshments, followed by a 30-minute video, and then group discussion facilitated by Olivia Colasante. This video series is intended for individuals looking for deeper meaning in life and answers to life's deepest questions. Please share this invitation with anyone who would be interested. All are welcome.



External debt and ecological debt: Who owes whom?
Peru is facing an ecological debt crisis as extractive industries, often foreignowned, plunder its natural resources, harming the environment and human rights. These industries contribute to the unjust enrichment of the Global

North at the expense of the Global South. Thus, as countries in the Global South incur financial debts that further impoverish them, they are owed a mounting ecological debt by the Global North that is never settled.

Our partners, the Episcopal Commission for Social Action (CEAS) and the Institute Bartolomé de Las Casas (IBC) work closely with affected communities, advocating for justice and sustainable alternatives. This Lent, discover the work of CEAS and IBC by reading our Mini-magazine and watching our testimonial video at devp.org/lent.



$MAR. 23^{RD} TO MAR. 29^{TH}$

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

THIRD SCIEDING OF BEITT		
Sun.	9:00	Missa Pro Populo
Mar. 23	a.m.	
Sun.	10:30	For the 2 nd anniversary of deceased
Mar. 23	a.m.	Maximino Atienza by his daughter
		Teodora Atienza.
Mon.	8:30	For the repose of the soul of Sister
Mar. 24	a.m.	Anna Chan, Superior of the
		Servants of the Cross by Michele and
		Ronald Pion.
Tues.	8:30	For the intentions of Daniel &
Mar. 25	a.m.	Timothy Poirier by their
		grandmother.
Wed.	8:30	For the repose of the soul of Rosslyn
Mar. 26	a.m.	Cesar by Jacques Cesar.
Thurs.	8:30	For the intentions of Patrick Gignac
Mar. 27	a.m.	and for the intentions of Marion
		<i>Chow-Worn</i> by the Choy family.
Fri.		NO MASS ON FRIDAYS
Mar. 28		
Sat.	4:30	For the intentions of Cecilia
Mar. 29	p.m.	D'Amico by Margaret Paul.

COURTESY CORNER

<u>Canadian Martyr Relic Tour</u>: The major relics of the Canadian Martyrs—including the skull of St. Jean de Brébeuf and bones of St. Charles Garnier and St. Gabriel Lalemant—are traveling across Canada for the first time. They will be joined by a relic of St. Kateri Tekakwitha, the first Indigenous North American saint.

We invite you to visit **Notre Dame Cathedral** on **Friday**, **March 28**th, **between 3:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m.** to venerate the relics and seek the intercession of these great saints! There will be Mass at 6:00 p.m. celebrated by Archbishop Damphousse. After Mass, Fr. John O'Brien, the Director of the National Shrine, will briefly speak about the lives of these Saints. For more details on the national tour, visit: https://martyrs-shrine.com/relic-tour/.

<u>Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass</u>: For those celebrating 60 (or more), 50, 40, 30, 25, 20, 15, 10 & 5 years of marriage in 2025! At Notre Dame Cathedral on Sun., May 4, 2:30 pm. The registration form is now available at https://forms.office.com/r/jpBDLwD0Kg. Please register before Easter to ensure your place!

For questions, please contact Annmarie at annmarie.brown@ottawacornwall.ca.

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