

First Sunday of Lent



First Sunday of Lent February 18, 2018

† - For the repose of the soul of the person(s) indicated

Saturday 17th February

4:30 PM Sunday Vigil Mass: † John and Joe Cornwall by Liz McCracken

Sunday 18th February

8:00 AM † Joseph Szkolny by his estate
9:30 AM Intentions of Dalton McIntyre by Carol Gaboury
11:00 AM Pro Populo — For Parishioners
12:15 PM † Bernice Corcoran by Peter, Christina and family
† Barbara Bell by her aunt Judy St. James and family
† Willy McCaffrey by D. Moore
† Suzanne Levesque by Matthew Dineen
† Edward (Ed) Keeley by Hanni and friends
† Royal Galipeau by Thomas and Joan Rooney

9:00 PM For personal intentions, by Thelma Gleeson

Monday 19th February (Ontario Family Day)

7:00 AM Special intention
8:00 AM † Fritz Kibel by his daughter, Irene Kibel
12:15 PM Graces and blessings for Stephen and Marianne Hall
by Mary Hall

***4:30 PM *No Mass* — Basilica closes after the noon-hour Mass**
Tuesday 20th February

7:00 AM Suffering souls in Purgatory by the Hodgins family
8:00 AM Holy Souls in Purgatory
12:15 PM Intentions of Joseph Main by Ben Walker
4:30 PM † Maria Angela Tavares de Medeiros by Jaffer Majeed

Wednesday 21st February

7:00 AM † Bob O'Neill by Elizabeth Lowden and family
8:00 AM † Willy McCaffrey by D. Moore
12:15 PM † Maria Angela Tavares de Medeiros by Jaffer Majeed
4:30 PM † Henrietta Pound by the Pound family

Thursday 22nd February

7:00 AM † Suzanne Veilleux by Monique Simard
8:00 AM † Alfred Berube by the Tardif family
12:15 PM Intentions of Andy Doyle by Rose
4:30 PM Second anniversary of Brian Geraghty by Rose

Friday 23rd February

7:00 AM † Willy McCaffrey by D. Moore
8:00 AM 34th Anniversary of Msgr. J. Leo LeSage, Pastor,
St. Patrick's parish, 1951-1961
12:15 PM Anniversary of John LeBoldus by Leon and Leah LeBoldus
† Emmanuel Dawood by his mother
† Patrick Mervin Salgado by his sister, Maria
† Maria Angela Tavares de Medeiros by Jaffer Majeed
† Andriy Ryzhyy by Frank Cedar
† Alma Tremblay by Dorothy and Shauna Graham
4:30 PM Intentions of Peter and Lois Nauta by a parishioner

Meditations on Holy Mass First Sunday in Lent (Year B)

First reading: Genesis 9.8-15 CCC 2569

God's covenant with Noah when he was delivered from the flood.

Second reading: 1 Peter 3.18-22 CCC 632; 845

The waters of the flood prefigured the baptism which now saves you.

Gospel: Mark 1.1-15 CCC 422; 538; 333. 541, 1423, 1427, 2612

Jesus was tempted by Satan; and the Angels waited on him.

In the *first reading* the sacred author portrays the flood in the time of Noah as a prefiguring the cleansing waters of baptism. In baptism in Christ, sin is washed away. Through Christ's death and resurrection, we become capable of repentance and turning to God. Our ongoing repentance makes our baptism fruitful in our own lives. In his *Gospel*, St. Matthew introduces Christ calling us to "repent, and believe in the good news." In the *second reading*, St. Paul links Noah with Christ, the Saviour who "now saves you — not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as appeal to God for a good conscience through the resurrection of Jesus Christ." God offers us salvation, but we must freely accept this invitation with a renewal of hearts and minds focused on Jesus Christ. Jesus alone can free us from sin and its morbid effects.

Before Mass: Jesus went into Galilee. There he proclaimed the Good News from God. 'The time has come,' he said, 'and the kingdom of God is close at hand. Repent, and believe the Good News.' (*Lauds*)

After Mass: Keep watch over us, eternal Saviour. Do not let the cunning tempter overcome us, for you have become our helper at all times. (*Vespers*)

Parish News

Celebrants and Homilists Next Weekend: Saturday 4:30 p.m. — Fr. Stephen Amesse; **Sunday** 8:00 a.m. — Msgr. Kevin Beach; 9:30 a.m. — Fr. Stephen Amesse 11:00 a.m. — Msgr. Kevin Beach; 12:15 p.m. — Fr. Stephen Amesse; 9:00 p.m. — Fr. Callistus Nakhwala

THE BIBLE AND THE SACRAMENTS: Journey through Scripture with us. Know why we are Catholic and join with us, each Wednesday, **thru April 4th** from 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. (Scavi). For more information, call Jim Cairney at 613-229-9484 or e-mail at j-l-cair53@sympatico.ca

Saint Patrick's Basilica Dance: Saturday, 17th March, 5:30-10:30 p.m. Irish music & dancing, Irish stew & refreshments and cash bar. Early bird tickets: adults \$25 each, students and adult volunteers \$20, children under 12 free. All tickets purchased after Friday, March 9th are \$30 each. Saint Patrick's Basilica, lower level. Door open 5:30 p.m. Dinner 6:00 p.m. Music and Dancing 6:45 p.m. Tickets available on-line, and at the Book & Gift Shop starting the 10th February. In coming weeks, check church noticeboards and parish bulletin for more information.

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