

First Sunday of Lent
Saturday, February 29th at 5:15 pm
Tanya Greenwood+ The Family

Sunday, March 1st at 9:00 am
For the People

Monday, March 2nd at 9:30 am
Dr. Stanley Pietak+ Bob Wilkins

Tuesday, March 3rd at 7 pm
Intentions of the Knights of Columbus and their Families

Wednesday, March 4th at 10:30 am
Mass at Briargate
Zelma Koenders+ (KofC)

Thursday, March 5th at 9:30 am
Michael Kearns+ Garry & Suzanne MacDonald
Divine Mercy at 3 pm in the Church

First Friday, March 6th at 9:30 am
10 am First Friday Devotions
Vernon Mulhall+

First Saturday, March 7th at 9:30 am
Denis LeBlanc + Noreen D'Eon

Second Sunday of Lent
Saturday, March 7th at 5:15 pm
Rhonda Nontell+

Sunday, March 8th at 9:00 am
For the People

Liturgical Ministries -
March 7th & 8th
Saturday, March 7th at 5:15 pm
Lector: M. Wilson;
Eucharist: F. O'Connor, P. Hoobin & M-L Hills.
Offertory Procession: B. Hutcheson & G. Northcott.

Sunday, March 8th at 9:00 am
Lector: P. Godfrey;
Eucharist: P. Godfrey, N. Scott & M. Seifred.
Offertory Procession: Children.
Helen Henderson: Antje;
Briargate: Tim. Children's Liturgy: Emily.



First Sunday of Lent: Lent is primarily the time of intense spiritual preparation for conquering our temptations, using the means Jesus used during his forty days of preparation in the desert for his public life. It is also the time for renewing our lives for the celebration of Easter with our Risen Lord who conquered sin and death by his suffering, death and Resurrection. Today's readings teach us that we are always tempted by the devil, by the world and by our own selfish interests. So, we need to cooperate actively with God's grace to conquer our temptations. As we begin Lent, let us use the traditional practices of fasting, prayer and almsgiving to provide us with the defence we need to fend off the advances of Satan.

Helping carry each other's cross

Each Lenten Sunday, please exchange your cross (from the basket) for a cross worn the previous week by someone else, without knowing who wore it or the personal cross that person is bearing. Simply pray for that person's situation. On Palm Sunday, all crosses will be returned to the basket at church. No crosses will be worn during Holy Week. Instead, we will be with Christ in His agony and passion, particularly in the cross He carried for us. Saint Luke reminds us of Jesus' words – "Take up my cross daily and follow me".

Lenten News

-Stations of the Cross on Friday nights in Lent
-Special Saint Joseph's day Celebration March 19th
-Lenten Holy hour, Sunday March 29th at 7 pm
-Holy Hour and Anointing, Sunday, April 5th at 3 pm
-Mass of Chrism, Tuesday, April 7th at 10:30 am

Project Homeland: Starts February 29th. **CarePaks** for soldiers serving abroad. Our CWL is collecting hard candy, gum, playing cards, toothbrushes, toothpaste, straight razors & razor blades, shaving cream, shampoo, hand soap, computer magazines, science magazines, pocket books, Sudoku books and Crossword Puzzle books. Place these in the container at the entrance to the church marked 'Project Homeland'. No chocolate or anything that melts. Cash or cheques appreciated (in a white envelope marked: **Project Homeland** and placed in the collection basket). **Please donate by March 15th.**

Knights of Columbus Project –

Many of you might know, the Knights of Columbus have completed yet another project for our parish! Several men, came forward to work on the hall kitchen. Stainless steel countertops, 3 sinks and taps were ordered and installed. Ben, Gord and Lyle volunteered several hours of labour and wood work to modify the cupboard doors as needed to complete this project. Congratulations Ben, Gord and Lyle on completing this huge project! A generous parishioner donated money to this project as well as the Knights of Columbus for the many finishing touches to complete this project. Shirley and Margaret were instrumental in this project as well!

Guest Preacher at Saint Mary's Cathedral: Father Jacques Philippe a Parish Mission on **The Eight Beatitudes** at 7:00 pm on Monday, March 1st, Tuesday, March 2nd and Wednesday, March 3rd.

World Day of Prayer: An ecumenical service, written by women of Zimbabwe, will be held in churches all over the world, giving us a chance to learn about Zimbabwe and to ponder our Christian mission to pursue justice, peace and reconciliation in the world.
1) **Friday, March 6th at 1:30 pm** at Saint Andrew's By-The-Lake United Church, 1 Redden Street (Front & Days), Kingston (for Blessed Sacrament's region); **OR**
2) **Friday, March 6th at 1:00 pm** at Saint Linus Church, Main Street, Bath (for Saint Linus' region).

Day of Prayer for Canada

Day of Prayer for Canada Thursday, March 19th; 9:00 am; 5:00 pm St. Joseph's Parish, Kingston. Parishes of the central deanery will offer a Day of Prayer for Canada. The regularly scheduled Masses are at 9:00 am. and 5:00 pm. Each hour, on the hour, between these Masses, parishes of the deanery have volunteered to pray the rosary of St. Joseph, sing the new hymn 'St. Joseph our Patron, and the Litany of St. Joseph, for his intercession for Canada. Blessed Sacrament's time slot is from 2-3 pm. Copies of the prayers and hymn will be provided. All welcome!!

Looking Ahead - Events & Meetings

BINGO

March 2 at 1 pm Mary Lou & Darlene
March 9 at 10 pm Lyle & Roger
March 16 at 1 pm Mary Lou & Susan
Volunteers: In an emergency and unable to attend your designated time? Please call: Donna at 613-546-9779 or 613-389-2009.

BINGO is at Community Spirit Gaming Centre, 900 Montreal Street, Kingston.
Please support our parish.

Prayer Group - Monday evenings at 6:30 pm (Helen Henderson)
Knights of Columbus - March 3rd at 7:00 pm
CWL - Tuesday, March 10th @ 7 pm
Euchre & Bridge - Tues., March 17th at 7 pm

Parish Council & Finance & Property Meeting
March 4th @ 7 pm

Catholic Women's League -
2nd Tuesday of the Month at 7 pm

Knights of Columbus General Meeting -
1st Tuesday of the Month at 7 pm

Knights of Columbus Executive Meeting -
Last Tuesday of the Month at 7 pm.

Intercessory Prayers
/////////Laurie Gartland

We also pray for our family members and friends who are chronically ill and for all whose sickness, impairment or personal situations keep them from joining us at Eucharist or from living a full and happy life. We also pray for our troops and all who are away from home. Pray for recently deceased & all the departed especially:
Graeme Swain

Parish Prayer Network - See the back cover for info! Please phone in or email any new prayer intentions **by Monday at 9 am** to ensure they are on the prayer network for that week.

~ IMPORTANT DATES ~
Parish Council & Finance & Property Meeting -
March 4th
+Birthright Baby Shower -April 14
+Garage/Bake Sale -April 25th

