

Second Sunday of Lent

March 8, 2020



March 9 - 15

Mon 9:00 am – Romnarine Mohan (Int)
Tue 9:00 am – Barb Fox +
7:00 pm – Pat & Al Gordanier (Int)
Wed 9:00 am – Shantie Sitahal (Int)
Thu 9:00 am – Cita Mohan (Int)
10:30 am Summit Place – Our Lady's Intentions
7:00 pm – Bill & Marlyn Schinbein (Int)
Fri 9:00 am – Patricia Luca +
10:30 am Kelso Villa – Ron McCoy +

Saturday – March 14

9:30 am Lion's Head – Special Intention
11:30 am Tobermory – Mass
5:00 pm Owen Sound – Laurie Byrne +

3rd Sunday of Lent – March 15

9:00 am Chatsworth – Frank Beirnes +
9:00 am Hepworth – Roger Mueller +
9:00 am OS – Bob Traplin +
11:00 am OS – Kelly McMaster +
11:00 am Wiarton – Bob Schwoob +
11:00 am Meaford – Russell Hodgkinson +
1:00 pm Cape Croker – Pro Populo
3:00 pm Latin Mass – Hilde Effinger +

From the Hamilton Diocese Prayer Calendar

This week we pray for:

Mon Fr. Francis Trzupek
Tue Fr. Edward Hampson
Wed Lay Parish Ministers
Thu Fr. Franjo Sprajc
Fri Fr. Peter Myer
Sat Fr. Donald Sanvido

*** Sacrament of Anointing & Communion to the Sick:**
Available upon request

What's Happening

March 9 - 15

Tuesday – Seniors' Cards 1:00 pm
Thursday – Teaching Thursdays 7:30 pm
Friday – Divine Mercy Devotion 3:00 pm
Friday – Stations of the Cross 7:00 pm
Friday – Catholic Young Adults Mtg. 7:00 pm
Saturday – Ultreya 9:00 am

From the Pastor's Desk:

During the holy season of Lent we are invited to “turn away from sin and be faithful to the Gospel”. Here are some practical ways of entering into this season and benefiting from it:

1. **Stations of the Cross** - this is an ancient practice of reflecting on the passion and death of our Lord. True friendship is proven when we are willing to be with our friend during his/her most trying moments. It is the same in our relationship with Jesus. When

we choose to be with Jesus during his most difficult and trying moments, we show that we are true friends. Stations of the Cross allow us that opportunity. We offer Stations of the Cross every Friday during Lent at 7pm at St. Mary's church in Owen Sound. If you cannot join us, perhaps you can pray this beautiful devotion at home. There are plenty of resources that can assist you on the internet. Also, most Catholic Prayer Books include Stations of the Cross. Please join us.

2. **Catechism Lectures** - it is not possible to be faithful to the Gospel if we don't improve our knowledge of what the Gospel teaches through the Catechism of the Catholic Church. We have a wealth of knowledge in our Catholic tradition, and it is there to aid us in knowing, loving, and serving our God; in following the Gospel. I offer presentations on the Catechism of the Catholic Church every Thursday evening at 7:30pm at St. Mary's church in Owen Sound. These 30 minute presentations aim at refreshing our knowledge of the faith. Topics like: Who is God? How do we know about God? Why do we have the Church? How do we pray? What are the Sacraments? Where do angels come from? And many others will be covered. If you are not able to join us in person, feel free to listen on our website. Just click on “Listen to our Catechism lessons” on the home page. Please join us.
3. **Confession** - turning away from sin requires an act of preparation, confession, and change. We have the great gift of the Sacrament of Confession that aims to this for us. During Lent it is most appropriate to celebrate the sacrament of Confession. This is especially important for those who do not make use of this Sacrament on the regular basis. At minimum we should go to Confession during Advent and Lent. Again, there are plenty of resources available on the internet to aid our preparation. Just search for “Examination of Conscience”, and perhaps you can add “for seniors” or “for youth” or “for married couples” etc. I like to compare Confession to Buckley's Cough Medicine: “it tastes bad and it works”.

With these few suggestions I wish all of us a fruitful Lenten journey.

Fr. Wojtek Kuzma

Parenting Tip of the Month - Lent is an important time in the Church and a great time for parents to talk to their children about it. Lent begins on Ash Wednesday and ends on Holy Thursday, a six week period where we set aside time to reflect on Jesus' suffering and dying, which ultimately led to His Resurrection and eternal life for all who believe and live the faith. Lent is a time for fasting, prayer and reflecting on how much God loves us. Talk to your kids about Jesus and how he tried to change the world; work together as a family to better yourselves as His followers;

consider giving something up for Lent and talk about how that small suffering can help relate to how Jesus suffered for everyone. Easter is a time of great celebration, use Lent to help your children understand why! (*Family Ministry Office – Hamilton Diocese*)

* In the Parish *

Teaching Thursdays – an opportunity to come together as a parish family and explore the depth of our Catholic teachings with our priests. These gatherings will follow our Thursday evening Mass from 7:30 to 8:30. Please come for Mass and stay for the presentation.

Catholic Young Adults of Owen Sound meet again on **March 13**, Friday, at 7pm. We will begin with Stations of the Cross in the Church, and follow with a meeting. The topic discussed at the March meeting will be "How to live and share our faith in the secular world" All between the ages of 18 - 35 are welcome. Please join our Facebook page by going to Catholic Young Adults of Owen Sound.

Stations of the Cross – please join us for Stations of the Cross each Friday during Lent, at 7:00 pm in St. Mary's church.



St Thomas Aquinas CWL is having our second annual 'St Patrick's Day Luncheon' on **Sunday March 15th** after the 11:00 am mass. Tickets are \$10.00 each and includes, Irish Stew, Roll, Dessert and Refreshments! We have a limited amount of seating, so get your tickets in advance! **Tickets are on sale this Sunday March 8th** or call Ruth @ 519-534-2925 to reserve your seat. Thank you for supporting this fundraising event. Proceeds will help those in need in our Community.



During the **40 days** of Lent, the **Granottier Council, Knights of Columbus** challenge all to sacrifice and help others by donating **One Can** or non-perishable food or **\$1** per day to our local food kitchens and food banks. This program is inspired by Christ's 40 days of fasting in the desert. Donating is a great way to serve others in our community who are in need. One doesn't need to donate all "40 cans", 1 can help someone. Canned goods will be distributed to local Food Banks and Pantries through: **St. Mary's Catholic Charities**. Cash Donations will go to **OSHaRE** and **Safe 'n Sound**, with a portion going to the **Warton, Chatsworth and Meaford** area Food Banks (please indicate your choice) cash donations and cheques made payable to K of C Granottier Council can be put in the collection basket at Mass. **Thank you.**

St. Patrick's Day Shenanigans – Sunday, March 15th
at 5:00 pm, at the **K of C Centre**. Irish Beef Stew, Bread and butter, veggies, bread pudding, coffee, tea and cash bar. Tickets on sale after Masses at St. Mary's – adults \$15, children under 12 - \$5.



Alpha 2 is coming!! Beginning **April 14th** and every Tuesday through to June 23rd, from 6:00 to 8:30 pm, with a delicious hot meal provided. Alpha is a series of interactive sessions exploring the basics of Christian faith. Each session looks at a different question designed to create conversation. There is no pressure, no follow-up and no charge. It's just an open, informal and honest space to explore and discuss life's big questions together. Please reserve ahead: Application forms can be found in the church foyer, fill them out and drop them off at the church office, or drop them through the letter slot at the office door. You can also call the office or email smm@bmts.com to register.



* In the Diocese *

Lenten Reflection - All Are Invited to Learn, Experience and Share! **Sacred Heart Walkerton Parish** Social Justice Committee invites you to - A Lenten evening of Prayer, Mass and Social Action Reflection **with Monsignor Ted Slaman**, on Wednesday, **March 11th**. Rosary and prayers begin at 6:30 with Mass at 7:00. Presentation, Reflections & Social Action Experiences following Mass. Guest Celebrant and Facilitator Monsignor Ted Slaman will continue with Input and Social Action projects of his experiences following the mass, including this years themes of - "**50 years of Development and Peace, and Earth our Common Home**". Discussion & reflection for the evening will conclude with coffee social.

For the Sick, our fellow parishioners and family members who are in need of our prayers: for John Hogan, Patricia, Fr. Tom McReavy, John Lewis, Roberta Faria, Maddy Schwoob, Don Heenan, Horst Schuetz, Eileen Fortney, Doreen Raco, Helen Meyer, Caroline Fitzpatrick, Scott Fitzpatrick, Steven Scott, Shelley Curley, Patricia McMillan, Karl Fortney, Shannon Daultrey, Marjorie Forcier, Arthur Diaz, Sherri Maine, Paul Bagget, Doug Woolway, Coleen Warmington, baby Sutton and baby Kellen, Rosaleen Engel, Marilyn Schinbein, Becki Knisley, Joanne LaFlamme Talbot, June Peet, Mike Adams, Sharon Cantlon, Tom McDonnell, Maureen McTeague, Vern Finlayson, Fred Fries, Josh Cahoon, and Sean McTeague, - **We pray to the Lord.** If you or a loved one are in need of prayer, please call the office. **Each year – beginning in September - we will begin our prayer list anew.**



Donations from February 29 / March 1, 2020

Owen Sound	5,260
Meaford	1,448
Warton	863
Chatsworth	496
Hepworth	396
Lion's Head	241
Sauble Beach	228
Tobermory	195
	\$ 9,127

Weekly cost to run the parish \$11,734

God bless you for your generosity.