THE SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

TUESDAY, MARCH 15

(followed by Novena to St. Anthony)

5:00 pm

- + Ricarda Alice Caetno
- + The Morais Family

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16 8:00 am

+ Luiza & John da Costa

THURSDAY, MARCH 17 (ST. PATRICK) 5:00 pm

(followed by Miraculous Medal Novena)

+ Mass for the People

FRIDAY, MARCH 18 (ST. CYRIL)

8:00 am (8:30 - 9:30 am adoration & recitation of Divine Mercy Novena)

+ Maria Conceicao Costa

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

SATURDAY, MARCH 19 5:00 pm

- + Leo & Aida Mapanao
- + Jacinto & Luiza Lima
- + Ida Ezekiel

SUNDAY, MARCH 20

9:00 am

+ Antonio Machado

11:00 am

Mass for the People - pro populo



If you are visiting today,

St. Patrick's Parish welcomes you.

SAINT PATRICK'S CONFERENCE OF THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

The SVDP sends a sincere "thank you" to all parishioners and schools who gave donations of money during 2021. The donations received



went to support individuals and families in need within St. Patrick Parish boundaries. Without your continued prayers and financial support the SVDP could not carry out its mission of serving and healing individuals and families within our community.

Currently SVDP is not accepting donations of food. The society is however continuing to collect monetary donations. Donations may be placed in the poor box at the rear of the church, by using a SVDP green

donation envelope and placing it in the collection basket or by mailing your donation directly to SVDP c/o St. Patrick Church.

OUR LENTEN STUDY SERIES

Please plan now to join us for two remaining Wednesday evenings during Lent in the parish hall from 7 - 8 pm as Deacon Terry and Fr. Khalid each present a pivoting Lenten-themed talk.

Deacon Terry Osmar

Wednesday, March 23:

"In the Desert"

Fr. Khalid Karomi

Wednesday, April 6:

"Did Jesus Command the Love of Enemies?"

AN OPPORTUNITY FOR ALMSGIVING

Fr. Joe is collecting donations of gently used and new clothing (sweaters, light jackets, shoes, pants, back packs, purses, socks, etc.) for men, women and children living in Welimada, Sri Lanka. Please bring your donated items to the church and leave them in the rear pews. Nandri! (Nandri means Thank You in Sri Lankan)

OFFERTORY March 6, 2022		
Envelope Contributions	\$3,550.00	
Loose Collection	\$ 377.55	
EFT Donations	\$1,1 4 8.00	
Total Collection – Thank you	\$5,075.55	

LITURGICAL MINISTERS MARCH 19 & 20			
	5:00 p.m.	9:00 a.m.	I I:00 a.m.
Lectors	P. Cooper	B. Sousa	J. Frias
Communion	C. McArthur	J. Bui A. Sousa	B. O'Brien R. O'Brien

March 13, 2022



ESSENTIAL FREEDOM: THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

The Ten Commandments contain a privileged expression of the natural law. They are made known to us by divine revelation and by human reason.

To transgress one commandment is to infringe the whole law. The Ten Commandments, summarizing the conditions of a life freed from sin, are a description of the *minimum* that love requires. These commandments guide our relationships. The first three are about our relationship with God and the remaining seven commandments guide us in our relationships with others and with ourselves. The Ten Commandments are:

- I. I am the Lord your God: you shall not have strange gods before me.
- 2. You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain.
- 3. Remember to keep holy the Lord's day.
- 4. Honour your father and your mother.
- 5. You shall not kill.
- 6. You shall not commit adultery.
- 7. You shall not steal.
- 8. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour.
- 9. You shall not covet your neighbour's wife.
- 10. You shall not covet your neighbour's goods.

(CCC # 2075 - 2082)

EASTER FLOWER DONATIONS

Donations are invited towards the flowers that will decorate our church and sanctuary during the Easter season. Special envelopes are available in the narthex. Donations should be placed in the regular Sunday collection basket at

any of the weekend Masses. All donations must be received by **Sunday, April 3** in order that the list of memorials and thank offerings may be included in our Easter bulletin.

DIOCES	DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR		
Monday	Rev. Francis Hubilla		
Tuesday	Rev. Gregory Merkley		
Wednesday	Lay Parish Ministers		
Thursday	Rev. Joseph Okoko, i.v.Dei.		
Friday	Rev. Robert Bulbrook		
Saturday	Rev. Christopher Tracey		

HEARING THE CALL TO A VOCATION TO SERVE THE CHURCH?

Contact Bishop Lobsinger at: gem@hamiltondiocese.com

SHARE LENT

The annual Share Lent Collection will be received on the weekend of **Sunday**, **April 3**. Every Christian has the responsibility to provide for the poorest of God's people at home and in the developing nations of the world. Please consider \$1 or \$2 a day during Lent as the basis for your offering. This annual collection is forwarded to D & P.

CONFESSIONS DURING LENT

Confessions are heard every Saturday from 4:30 - 5 pm, Friday from 8:30 - 9:30 am or by appointment. Additional confessions will be heard during Lent in the church on Tuesday, March 29 at 7 pm, Thursday, March 31 at 7 pm, Tuesday, April 5 at 7 pm, and on Thursday, April 7 at 7 pm. As well, on the weekends of March 19/20, 26/27 & April 2/3, Fr. Khalid Karomi, our priest in residence, will hear confessions during all Masses.

THE BLESSING OF EASTER FOOD: A CHERISHED CATHOLIC EASTER TRADITION

The blessing of Easter food has been a cherished Catholic ritual for centuries. Please plan to join us with your unique Easter basket for the blessing of Easter food on **Holy Saturday, April 16 at 1:00 pm** in the church.



Examples of some of the things you might find in a basket for blessing are:

- Decorated hardboiled eggs: representing new life and birth in the Resurrection
- Bread: symbolic of Jesus as the "Bread of Life"
- Butter: symbolic of the richness of our life in Christ
- Kielbasa, sausage or ham: symbolic of abundance and God's generosity
- Jelly Beans: symbolic of the sweetness and joy of the Easter celebration
- Lamb: representing Christ as the "Lamb of God"
- Wine: symbolic of Christ's blood shed on the cross
- Salt: symbolic of prosperity and justice and to remind us "You are the salt of the earth"
- Cheese: symbolic of the moderation Christians should have at all times
- Horseradish & pepper: symbolic of the Passion of Christ and the bitter herbs of the Passover
- Candles: symbolic of Christ as the light of the world Lastly, the basket may be covered with linen symbolizing Christ's shroud.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Through prayer, music and scripture, the Way of the Cross allows us to join Our Lord on His journey to Calvary - each Friday evening during Lent at 7 pm in the Church. Mass to follow. Please join us.