

THE SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14
(STS. CYRIL & METHODIUS)
(followed by Novena to St. Anthony)

5:00 pm

- + Audrey Shannon
- + Jacinto & Luiza Lima
- + Luis Da Costa
- + Lurdes & Gilberto Inacio

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15
8:00 am - Mass CANCELLED

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16
5:00 pm
(followed by Miraculous Medal Novena)
 + Antonio Machado

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17
8:00 am (8:30 - 9:30 am adoration & recitation
 of Divine Mercy Novena)
 + João Vicente

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18
5:00 pm
 + Maria Sousa
 + Patrick & Elizabeth Myers
 + Fr. Liborio Tavares
 + Betty & Keith Brown
 + Maria Sousa

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19
9:00 am
 + Antonio & Emilia Figueiredo
11:00 am - for the People - *pro populo*



If you are visiting today,
St. Patrick Parish welcomes you.

THE PATRON SAINT OF ENGAGED COUPLES & MARRIAGES

Saint Valentine is a 3rd Century saint whose feast is celebrated on February 14. While there is some confusion as to which of three possible martyrs named Valentine is the saint that is celebrated on that day, it's known that he was either a priest or a bishop in Terni, Italy, and that his love for God and his faithfulness was all-encompassing. Following Jesus' teachings closely, he also had a great love for mankind. It's believed that he committed the crimes of marrying Christians and helping Christians who were being persecuted by Claudius II, the emperor of Rome. Because he wouldn't renounce his faith and because he tried to convert the emperor, he was sentenced to and suffered a brutal death.

Among other things, he's known as the patron saint of love, young people, engaged couples and happy marriages. Although people can pray to St. Valentine at any stage in their relationship, he seems to be an ideal saint to turn to for young people in love and engaged couples. St. Valentine pray for us!

LAMP OFFERING

Lamp offerings may be made at either the Sanctuary Lamp or at The Lady Altar Lamp. The lamps will burn for one week and may be offered in memory of a deceased person, for the intentions of a living person or as a thank offering. The names will be published in the bulletin. A donation of \$10 per lamp is requested. For bookings March to December 2023, please contact the parish office.

LAMP OFFERING

February 12 - 18

February 19 - 25

SANCTUARY LAMP

+ The Alves Family

+ Gregory Stoyles

LADY ALTAR LAMP

+ Zefrino Oliveira

+ Hermina Azevedo

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

FEBRUARY 18 & 19

	5:00 p.m.	9:00 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
Lectors	P. Cooper B. Miller	D. Wylie B. Sousa	M. Benoit J. Frias
Communion	B. Seguin A. Miller	J. Bui J. Streppel	C. Bracken V. Umolac

OFFERTORY

FEBRUARY 5, 2023

Envelope Contributions	\$2,517.05
Loose Collection	\$ 502.75
EFT Donations	\$1,081.00
Total Collection – Thank you	\$4,100.80

FEBRUARY 12, 2023

ASH WEDNESDAY

Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of the Season of Lent. It is a season of penance, reflection and fasting which prepares us for Christ's Resurrection on Easter Sunday, through which we attain redemption. Ashes are a symbol of penance made sacramental by the blessing of the Church, and they help us to develop a spirit of humility and sacrifice. Mass with the Imposition of Ashes will be offered at **8 am and at 7 pm on Ash Wednesday, February 22.**

Please note, this is a universal day of fasting and abstinence from meat. To sum up the requirements, Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59 are obliged to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. In addition, all Catholics 14 years and older must abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and all the Fridays of Lent. Fasting means partaking of only one full meal. Some food (not equaling another full meal) is permitted at breakfast and around midday or in the evening - depending on when a person chooses to eat the main or full meal. Abstinence forbids the use of meat, but not of eggs, milk products or condiments made of animal fat.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER & DANCE

Everyone is invited to attend our first annual St. Patrick's Day Dinner & Dance to be held on Friday, March 17, 2023 at The Royal Canadian Legion - Galt Branch # 121 located at 4 Veterans Way, Cambridge.



Tickets for Admission:

\$25 per adult, children under 5 years \$12.50

Tickets are available at St. Patrick Parish Office. Must be purchased no later than March 1, 2023. To reserve your ticket, call or email the office at: 519-623-3773 or stpatrickscambridge@gmail.com

Admission Includes:

- Dinner
- Dancing to traditional Irish music (jigs, reels, waltzing)
- Doors open to ticket holders at 6 pm
- Dinner 7 pm
- Music & Dancing 8 pm - 12 midnight



Buffet Style Dinner includes:

- Your choice of chicken or fish
- Potatoes / dinner roll and butter
- Vegetables: your choice of carrots and/or beans
- Salad: your choice of Cole Slaw and/or Garden Salad
- Cheese & Pickle Tray assortment
 - Dessert with coffee/tea



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CWL MEETING & ELECTION NIGHT

The next Catholic Women's League meeting will be held on **Tuesday, February 14.** Just a reminder that this meeting is also election night for St. Patrick's CWL. All paid members are eligible to vote and the outgoing executive would very much like to see a full house that is ready to vote. Please join us.

HOW ALL SIN IS A FORM OF LYING

Bearing false witness against our neighbour means lying to our neighbour, deceiving our neighbour. But lying to our neighbour always begins with lying to ourselves. All sin does. The pattern for all sin is shown in the first sin, in Genesis 3, the eating of the forbidden fruit. This sin began by listening to the devil's lie, sin's false advertisement, the lie that this sin would bring joy and delight while obedience to God's command would bring misery or boredom.

The first step in barring the door to sin is refusing to listen to any false witness that contradicts God's revealed truth. Faith is this bar against sin. Therefore Scripture says, "Whatever does not proceed from faith is sin" (c.f. Romans 14:23). St. Paul contrasts sin with faith, not just with virtue, and contrasts faith with sin, not just with doubt. Believing the darkness of Satan's lie rather than the light of God's commandment was the beginning of the Fall and continues to be the beginning of every fall. We eat the forbidden fruit of falsehood with our minds before we eat any other forbidden fruit with our bodies and our deeds (Source: Peter Kreeft's, *Catholic Christianity*).

CONVALIDATION

Church law requires baptized Roman Catholics to marry before a bishop, priest, or deacon and two witnesses. Catholics who have married outside of the Catholic Church are encouraged to have their civil marriage recognized by the Church. This is called **convalidation**. The process does not cost anything, is often not very difficult and always helps the couple live their faith more fully. Please contact the parish office for more information or to arrange an appointment to begin the process of convalidating your civil union.

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

Monday	Rev. Francis Noronha, C.S.C.
Tuesday	Rev. Rafal Tomon
Wednesday	Disalced Carmelite Sisters
Thursday	Very Rev. Tim Uniac, C.R.
Friday	Rev. Pat Aiello, C.R.
Saturday	Rev. Chris Buda, C.R.

Families who pray together, stay together!