

# THE SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

## MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

### TUESDAY, MARCH 7

(followed by Novena to St. Anthony)

**5:00 pm**

- + Antonio Tavares
- + Antonio Machado
- + Olga Dorez
- + Jacinto & Francelina DaCosta

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8

**8:00 am**

- + Anna Lecuyer

### THURSDAY, MARCH 9

**5:00 pm**

(followed by Miraculous Medal Novena)

- + Joseph Michael

### FRIDAY, MARCH 10

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

- + Gloria Raposo & Gloria Sousa Ferreira

## THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

### SATURDAY, MARCH 11

**5:00 pm**

- + Antonio & Palmira Melo
- + Emilia Figueiredo
- + Joe Vasconcelos
- + Maria & Ermete Vacca
- + Frances Hamill

### SUNDAY, MARCH 12

**9:00 am**

- + Louis DaCosta

**11:00 am** - for the People - *pro populo*

*If you are visiting today,*

**St. Patrick Parish welcomes you.**

### SPECIAL EARTHQUAKE COLLECTION

In response to the recent devastating earthquakes in Turkey & Syria and the recommendation of the Presbyteral Council, His Excellency Bishop Douglas Crosby has authorized a special collection in support of the victims of these recent earthquakes. Special envelopes are available in the narthex of the church. Please make all cheques payable to St. Patrick Church. Donations should be returned by next Sunday, **March 12, 2023**.



### 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, followed by Mass.** Please join us.

### OUR PATRONAL FESTIVAL



On **Saturday, March 18**, we will observe the Feast of St. Patrick and celebrate a Solemn Mass at 10 am. Incense will be used. Mass will be followed by a reception in the parish hall with plenty of traditional Irish treats. Please plan now to join us for this special celebration in the life of our parish.

### 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 April to December 2023, please contact the parish office.

## LAMP OFFERING

March 5 - 11

March 12 - 18

### SANCTUARY LAMP

+ Holy Souls in Purgatory

In Thanksgiving

### LADY ALTAR LAMP

+ Antonio Garcia

In honour of Our Lady

## OFFERTORY

FEBRUARY 26, 2023

Envelope Contributions	\$2,167.35
Loose Collection	\$ 469.35
EFT Donations	\$1,061.00
Total Collection – Thank you	\$3,697.70

## LITURGICAL MINISTERS

MARCH 11 & 12

	5:00 p.m.	9:00 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
<b>Lectors</b>	J. Kelly A. Kelly	B. Sousa D. Wylie	J. Frias W. Francis
<b>Communion</b>	C. Cooper C. McArthur	S. Braga J. Bui	M. Deska V. Umolac

MARCH 5, 2023



**RESTLESS HEARTS**

All of us, in our different ways, are personally engaged in a journey that grants an answer to the most important question of all – the question concerning the ultimate meaning of our human existence. The quest for the sacred is the search for the one thing necessary, which alone satisfies the longings of the human heart.

In the fifth century, Saint Augustine described that search in these terms: “Lord, you have created us for yourself and our hearts are restless until they rest in you”.

As we embark on this adventure of life we come to realize more and more that the initiative lies not with us, but with the Lord: it is not so much we who are seeking him, but rather he who is seeking us, indeed it was he who placed that longing for him deep within our hearts. ~ Benedict XVI

**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 5, 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

**Free Parking / Cash Bar / Door Prizes  
Child Friendly / Wheelchair Accessible**



**THE APOSTLES’ CREED**

During Lent we will be professing the Apostles’ Creed instead of the Nicene Creed. The origins of the Apostles’ Creed are believed to predate the Nicene Creed. It is universally recognized by most Western Christians as a shared statement of our faith in God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. The Apostles’ Creed may be used at any Sunday Mass, but the Church particularly recommends its use during Lent and Easter time. Why? Because the words of this ancient Creed have been used for centuries as the basis of our baptismal promises, and the seasons of Lent and Easter put a strong focus on baptism. During Lent we prepare those who will be baptized at Easter while readying ourselves to renew our own baptismal promises. As we recite the Apostles’ Creed, it will stir up in our hearts our commitment to Christ which was first made at our own baptism. It also helps to prepare us to renew our promises once again this Easter.

**SELF-FORGETFUL LOVE**

For some it can take half a life time to appreciate, through a million experiments, everyone of which proved the same result: that the way to happiness is self-forgetful love and the way to unhappiness is self-regard, self-worry and the search for personal happiness. Our happiness comes to us only when we do not seek it. It comes to us when we seek others’ happiness instead.

It is an embarrassingly common lesson to take so long to learn, but most of us are incredibly slow learners. We constantly try other ways thinking that perhaps the happiness that did not come to us the last time through selfishness will do so next time. It never does. (Source: Peter Kreeft.com/topics/three-ideas)

**DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR**

Monday	Rev. Michael Downey
Tuesday	Rev. Pawel Jamroz
Wednesday	Disabled Persons
Thursday	Rev. Msgr. Earl Talbot
Friday	Rev. Pablito Labado
Saturday	Rev. Duy Van Nguyen

**DAY OF PRAYER FOR VICTIMS OF SEXUAL ABUSE**

In 2019, His Excellency Bishop Crosby decreed that the Second Sunday of Lent each year would be observed in every Parish in the Diocese of Hamilton as a day of prayer for the Victims of Sexual Abuse. This year’s observance is on March 5, 2023. Let us pray for all victims of sexual abuse, that within their communities and families they may be healed, and they may again know peace. **Amen.**