

LITURGIES

Saturday, March 27

"Jesus was about to die to gather into one the dispersed child of God."

♦ **Confessions 12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.**
(in the Msgr. Maloney Room-by appointment only)

Mass 5:00 p.m. † Mary Marcella

Vocation Prayer – Rev. Piotr (Peter) Machnacki, S.A.C.

Sunday, March 28, PALM SUNDAY OF LORD'S PASSION

"The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ."

Mass 9:00 a.m. – Missa Pro Populo, (For the People)

Mass 11:00 a.m. – † Giuseppe & Valeria DiMattia, † Pasquale Luciani,
† Maria Girardi, † Ed Craftchick Sr., † Rosa Mendoza, Int. of the
Sisters of Immaculate Heart of Mary Mother of Christ

Vocation Prayer – Rev. Ranjan D'Sa, O.C.D.

Tuesday, March 30,

"One of you will betray me; another will deny me three times."

♦ **Confessions 6:00 p.m. – 6:40 p.m.**

(in the Msgr. Maloney Room-by appointment only)

♦ **Stations of the Cross - 6:45 p.m.**

Mass 7:00 p.m. – † Souls in Purgatory

Vocation Prayer – Rev. Maria Joseph Ahilan Alphonse, C.R.S.P.

Wednesday, March 31,

"The Son of Man goes as it is written of him..."

Mass at SJLC – † Jozef Jozwik & Jozefa Baranski (Not public)

Vocation Prayer – Sisters of St. Joseph of Cananda (C.S.J.)

Thursday, April 1, HOLY THURSDAY

"Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end."

7:00 p.m. - Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper

– Int for the new vocations to the priesthood from our parish

Friday, April 2, GOOD FRIDAY

"The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ."

3:00 p.m. - Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

Saturday, April 3, HOLY SATURDAY

"Jesus of Nazareth who was crucified; he has been raised up."

5:00 p.m. - Easter Vigil in the Holy Night of Easter

– Int of the adults and children waiting for their Sacraments

Sunday Collections:

March 14, 2021 Env. \$2194.00 + Loose \$254.55 = \$2448.55

March 28, 2021 Env. \$2826.45 + Loose \$172.00 = \$2998.45



THANK YOU,
for your generosity!
Your **gift** and **attendance** truly matters.

It is the **life** and **future** for our parish!

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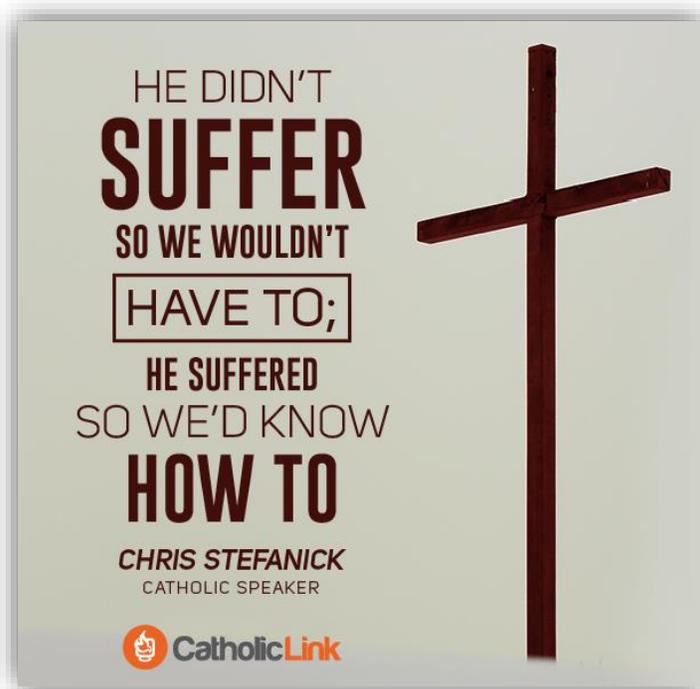
Please contact our Saint Vincent de Paul (SSVP) ministry for food vouchers, furniture, or other in-need inquiries,

Phone: 226-208-6846

REGULAR OFFICE HOURS

The office is open Tuesdays, Wednesdays, & Fridays from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm, with a break from Noon – 1:00 pm., on Thursdays until 6 pm. *There are safety protocols in place, access in-person is limited. We try to make arrangements over the phone when possible. Please give us a call first. Thank you!*

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HOLY WEEK LITURGIES

- **PALM SUNDAY** – REMEMBERING LORD'S PASSION
MARCH 28, (at all weekend Holy Masses)
- Palms will not be blessed and distributed in the church due to the Pandemic restrictions. You can obtain a blessed palm from the office during office hours.
- **HOLY THURSDAY** – THE LAST SUPPER HOLY MASS
APRIL 1... 7:00 PM
- **GOOD FRIDAY** – THE LITURGY OF THE PASSION
APRIL 2... 3:00 PM
- **HOLY SATURDAY** – EASTER BASKET BLESSINGS
APRIL 3... 12:00 PM
- Drive-thru, blessing by the office door! Enter parking lot from East Ave. and exit to Colborne Street. Priest will be available until the last person arrives. Palms may be available.
- **HOLY SATURDAY** – EASTER VIGIL
APRIL 3, 5:00 PM
- **EASTER SUNDAY**
APRIL 4, 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM



REGISTRATION is required for all Holy Week liturgies. Please follow the instructions from our website. As directed by the Vatican and decreed by our Bishop the celebrations of the Holy Week are adopted to the Pandemic protocols. There will be no singing or handouts available. But even in a simple form the essence of the Holy Week mysteries remains the same. And it is unique in the scale of the whole year. Join us to live it!

CONFESSION AT A LATER TIME

Please be reminded of the Apostolic See Decree:

"Where the faithful should be in the painful impossibility of receiving sacramental absolution, it should be remembered that perfect contrition, coming from the love of God, loved above all else, expressed by a sincere request for forgiveness (one which the penitent is able to express in that moment) and accompanied by the votum confessionis, that is, by the firm resolution to receive sacramental confession as soon as possible, obtains the forgiveness of sins, even mortal ones. (cf. ccc. N. 1452)"

Where Do Souls Go Between Death and the Resurrection?

The Resurrection that we believe in does not happen at the time of our death. It is not as though each person is resurrected at (or shortly after) the time of his or her physical death. If that were the case, billions of people would be living the resurrection life in their spiritual bodies even now. But the resurrection is not an individual event. It is what is sometimes referred to as the “general resurrection,” meaning that everyone will be raised at the same time.

The resurrection, and the reconstitution of our bodies into spiritual bodies to be reunited with our spirits, will take place at the time of the second coming of Christ, which is the end of human history. Notice that in the parable, the ten bridesmaids were waiting for the groom. And the analogy for us is that we live in the age of the Church when the Church, (the Bride of Christ) waits for her Groom to return. When He does return, it will be time for the wedding.

[...] When a person dies, his or her spirit leaves the earthly realm, which is bound by time, and, we might say, enters eternity. But the body remains in the world of time and three-dimensional space. Spirit and body are separated from the moment of death until the resurrection, which will take place at the end of time (Ratzinger, Eschatology, p. 252). But although they are separated in the interim, each spirit is eternally and inseparably connected to the same body it had in life, in spite of decay.

[...] Those who die in Christ are alive in Christ, and by virtue of their union with Christ, they can hear our prayers when we pray to them. They remember us, and they can pray for us. But they are temporarily separated from their bodies.

(Excerpts from catholicexchange.com/where-do-souls-go-between-death-and-the-resurrection, from the book “What Really Happens After We Die.” by JAMES L. PAPANDEA)

PREVENT AND PROTECT!

Most of the church grounds have been open to the public since the church was erected. There is only a small private backyard at the rear of the rectory. I wish we could keep it that way.

Unfortunately, there are too many troubling incidents going on around the church, at least since 2019 when we recorded a few broken windows and decided to install CCTV cameras. This however has not been enough. Particularly the area between the church, rectory and hall is most vulnerable. The monument of the Holy Family is located there. To protect and defend the status of this place there was no other option but to put up a fence and exclude this part from public use. It is still available for parishioners, especially for walking to church on weekends. We hope to see families and children coming back to a safe place for prayer and relaxation. At both gates you can find a locked mailbox for safe deposits. If you drop a donation off, please let us know, give us a call, leave a message, or email us, so we can retrieve it as soon as possible. / Your Pastor

DIVINE MERCY FEAST

Due to the Pandemic restrictions, we will observe the Novena only on the days when the weekday Holy Mass is celebrated in the church, April 6, 8, and 9. The prayer will be said after the Holy Mass is finished. Please say the prayers privately on other days. **Confessions will be available on Saturday, April 10 from 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm only.** Instead of the usual special service at 3:00 pm, we will mark the Divine Mercy Feast at all weekend Masses April 10-11. The situation is far from normal and for everyone’s safety we want to avoid any risk.

LITURGIES

Sunday, April 4, EASTER, THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

“According to the scripture: Jesus must rise from the dead.”

Mass 9:00 a.m. – Missa Pro Populo, (For the People)

Mass 11:00 a.m. – † Filomena & Antonio Castagna, † Peter & Josephine Mitchell, † Anthony DiDomizio, † Tito & Antonia Imola, **Int. of John Sharp**

Tuesday, April 6, Easter Octave

“Mary Magdalene announced to the disciples: I have seen the Lord.”

♦ **Confessions 6:00 p.m. – 6:40p.m.**

(in the Msgr. Maloney Room by appointment only)

♦ **Mother of Perpetual Help Prayers - 6:45 p.m.**

Mass 7:00 p.m. – † Sarah Close

Vocation Prayer – Rev. Fernando Ferreira Pinto, C.S.Sp. and Rev. Louis Lenssen, C.R.S.P.

Wednesday, April 7, Easter Octave

“The disciples recognized the Lord when he broke bread with them.”

Mass at SJLC – † Souls in Purgatory (Not public)

Vocation Prayer – Oblates of Mary Immaculate (O.M.I.)

Thursday, April 8, Easter Octave

“...the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day.”

Mass 9:00 a.m. – † Lucyna Wiosna

Vocation Prayer – Rev. Allen Varlacki

Friday, April 9, Easter Octave

“Jesus took the bread and gave it to them and did the same with the fish.”

Mass 9:00 a.m. – † Madeline Epps

- Holy Hour

(begins after Mass, confessions not available)

Vocation Prayer – Rev. Paul Edmondstone

Saturday, April 10, Easter Octave

“Jesus said to the disciples: Go in all the world and proclaim the good news...”

♦ **Confessions 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.**

(in the Msgr. Maloney Room-by appointment)

Mass 5:00 p.m. – † John Baptist Nguyen Kien

Vocation Prayer – Rev. Jerzy Tomon

Sunday, April 11, DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

“After eight days Jesus came and stood among them.”

Mass 9:00 a.m. – † Mafalda Tuori, † Donatella DiRamio, † Pasquale Luciani, † Helen O’Neill, † Eileen McNeill, Int. of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Mass 11:00 a.m. – Missa Pro Populo, (For the People)

Vocation Prayer – Rev. Francisco Sordo

SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION

“... Even though our churches remain open many of us are reluctant to return. The virus is in and out, and then it returns, as we could observe in some city’s schools in the past days. I do not think we are ready to take the risk and invite the children and their families to church to begin their preparation for the Sacrament of First Holy Confession and Holy Communion, their first touch of the “real presence”. We must give it some more time, until it will be possible to safely attend church and experience Jesus by TOUCHING the reality of the Sacraments and the Community. The advent for Jesus in the Eucharist will be longer but the joy even greater. Do not worry dear students your day will come.”

WE NEED YOUR HELP, PLEASE!

As you know to ensure safety of parishioners, we require reservations to all weekend Holy Masses. The system is easy, and everyone is checked in on arrival. We have a group of volunteers who help with the check-in at the door and ushering to the seats. Perhaps you will consider lending us a hand. We also need readers for weekend Holy Masses. We provide training and necessary preparation. It is stress free! Join us!

The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul Brant Thrift Store has a position available for Volunteer Coordinator (volunteer position) at the store. Learn more at www.ssvpbrant.ca or the SSVp Brant Facebook page. Email: ssvpbrant@gmail.com.