

6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



THIS WEEKEND

Saturday February 10th
4 pm Pro Populo

Sunday February 11th
9 am ** Speedy Recovery of Brock MacDonald
11 am + Stanislaw Chojna



SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Leviticus 13: 1~2, 45~46

Psalm: You are my refuge, Lord: with deliverance you surround me.

Second Reading: Corinthians 10.31 ~ 11.1

Gospel: Mark 1: 40~45

COUNTDOWN TO LENT



Please remember that **NEXT** Wednesday is a **day of Universal fasting and abstinence from meat. On Ash Wednesday (February 14, 2024), ashes will be distributed at both the 9:15 am and 6:00 pm Mass at St. Joseph's Church.** Also note that this weekend is the last Sunday that Alleluia is sung until the Easter Vigil.



It doesn't take a lot of time to prepare for the beginning of Lent. . . it just takes desire and focus. God can do so much with that. We can give God more of a space to touch our hearts if we begin to establish some simple patterns. We could wake up each morning, and for something like a half a minute to a minute, stand by the edge of our beds, and just ask the Lord for the grace to let this day be one in which I long for the beginning of Lent.

Perhaps we need to ask for specific help or graces to get ready to begin Lent. Whatever we try to say, our Lord can understand the Spirit trying to speak through our simple words. And all it takes is the time to find and put on our slippers. And each night, in the days ahead, we can practice giving thanks to God before we go to bed. This simple pattern, in the morning and evening can stir our spirits to look forward to and prepare for Lent, as a season of grace.

May our Lord bless us all on this journey ahead!

Stations of the Cross: Every Friday evening after the 6 pm Mass throughout Lent.

ARCHDIOCESE

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

When: Friday March 1st, 2024

Where: Beacan Presbyterian Church Beaverton @ **11 am** ~ lunch to follow.

ALSO Knox Presbyterian Church Gamebridge @ **7:30 pm** ~ light

Refreshments provided.

This ecumenical service is open to all men and women in the community and this year is written by the women of the Palestine.

Please see poster on bulletin board.

PARISH COMMUNITY

LENTEN PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Following this morning's Mass, the Knights of Columbus invite everyone to a pancake brunch in the hall. A parish celebration *before* the beginning of Lent!

A free will offering is appreciated.

SACRAMENTS

First Holy Communion: Parent's meeting is today, after the KOC brunch. Please meet upstairs in the church at 1:00 pm.

Confirmation: The next class is Sunday March 3rd.

LADIES OF THE PARISH

The February meeting for the Ladies is scheduled for Monday February 19th at 2:00 pm in the Hall. New members are always welcome.

INCOME TAX RECEIPTS

All parish tax receipts for the year 2023 have been mailed as of last Friday. Any donations made through the website of the Archdiocese of Toronto, you will receive a separate tax receipt from downtown. Thank you for your time, talents and your generous donations.

ALPHA IN A CATHOLIC CONTEXT COURSE

This course is an 11-week long series in which the faithful can learn about and deepen their faith in Jesus Christ in a friendly group environment. The third & fourth classes will be on **Thursday February 15th & 29th @ 6:30 pm** in the Parish Hall. We will gather for snacks, followed by a video from the series, a discussion and prayer.

MASS INTENTIONS

** living or + deceased.

February	Time	Mass for
Tuesday 13 th	6:00 pm	** Good health of Natty
ASH WEDNESDAY	9:15 am	+ Peter Edward Fortier
	6:00 pm	+ Fr. Jon Bromley
Thurs. 15 th	9:15 am	+ Souls of all the Priests
Friday 16 th	6:00 pm	** For a Speedy Recovery
Saturday 17 th	4:00 pm	** Adriana & Liliana
Sunday 18 th	9:00 am	+ Burns Family Souls
	11:00 am	** Speedy Recovery

PRAYERS REQUESTED FOR THOSE IN NEED OF HEALING

Jean Adams, Colleen Andrews, Irene Cantwell, Colette Bryson, Barry Giblin, Donna Giblin, Sandra Hopkins, Irene Karek, John Kearsley, Richard Kloepfer, Brock MacDonald, Ralph Slaney, Rosemary Thompros, Kathryn Werden, Marie Vandenberg & all the sick of the parish.

DONATIONS TO YOUR PARISH

Sunday Envelopes \$ 1,624.30
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Thank you for your kind & generous donation!