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	Mass Schedule	Diocesan Bishop	Most Rev. Gerard P. Bergie D.D.
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 8:30 a.m. Saturday 5:00 p.m.		Pastor	Fr. Greg Schmidt frgregoryschmidt@gmail.com
Sunday	9:00 a.m. (Children's Liturgy of the Word) 11:00 a.m.	Chaplain—Niagara Health	Fr. Stephen Innamorati fr.s.innamorati@gmail.com
Confessions		St. Catharines Site Deacon	
Saturday	3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. or by appointment	Deacon	Deacon George Newman
	Office Hours	Director of Music	Dr. David Holler
Monday to Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.		Maintenance	Jim Salmon
		Administration	Christine Buckley Cheryl Wood

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March 17, 2024 - Fifth Sunday of Lent

As we are nearing the end of our Lenten journey, our readings today remind us of the goodness that our God has to offer us. In today's Gospel, Jesus announces that the "hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified." All that He came to do on this earth was soon to be fulfilled. When we reflect on what Jesus says in this passage, He tells us a great deal about how we should be living as disciples of Christ. He clearly states, "unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit."



We are called to detach from our own desires and entrust our lives to all that God has in store for us. Without self-denial, we might miss occasions God has given us to produce good fruit. We have been practicing this throughout our Lenten season through fasting. One way to continue this effort after Lent is by taking advantage of the countless opportunities God presents to us to sacrifice our desires for something much greater — whether waking earlier to spend time in prayer, fasting from a favorite comfort on a weekly basis or taking the time to check in on a friend or family member instead of turning on the TV, just to name a few. It is important that we continue to make room for God and the good things He wants to produce in us all year long.

As our Lenten journey soon concludes, may we consider the ways in which we might continue the practice of self-denial by offering small, daily sacrifices to the Lord

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Parish Calendar

Monday, March 18 8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - Shirley Favero † Harry & Ingrid Edmondstone †

Tuesday, March 19 8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - Joseph Petric † Special Intention 6:30 p.m. - Joseph Kobe † | Josephine Kobe † Joseph Bayuk † | Special Intentions 7:00 p.m. - RCIA

Wednesday, March 20 8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - Denis Morris School Mass Frank, Anne & Marcel Niesink †

Thursday, March 21 - No Mass

Friday, March 22 8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - Cliff Booker † 9:00 a.m. (Livestream) - Stations of the Cross 6:30 p.m. - Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 23

5:00 p.m. (Livestream) - Marlene DeRose † Maria Szeideman Sr. † | Jenny Kenny † Terry Adamson † | Adel George Wakil †

Sunday, March 24

9:00 a.m. - Maria & Giuseppe Quaresima † Maria & Antonio Ierace † | Biaggio Procopio † Serafina & Angelo Procopio † | Norm Zwierschke † 11:00 a.m. - Mass for the People May God give you: For every storm, a rainbow. For every tear, a smile. For every care, a promise. A blessing in each trial. For every problem life sends, A faithful friend to share. For every sigh, a sweet song, And an answer for each prayer.

Are You Being Called?

"Did I not assure you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?"

Do you believe Christ may be calling you to see the glory of the Blessed Trinity through a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life? Talk to your priest or reach out to Fr. Greg at the church office, 905 684 5603 or email frgregoryschmidt@gmail.com.



Catholic Women's League Corner: March 16 / 17



- The deadline for registration payment for the AMM is Monday, March 18 at noon.
- The Prayer Shawl/Rosary Making Group will meet on Wednesday, March 20 from 2-3:30. Newcomers are always welcome.
- Those interested in working on the Extravaganza 2024 committee will meet at Cat's Caboose at noon on Wednesday, March 20.

We welcome the following children into our Catholic family and wish them God's blessings:

Astoria Clare Valentina DiFelice Donald Modilim Dominic Modilim Kenneth Edwards



Blake Edwards Javi Sarabia Meehan Adaline Gray Noah Langelaan

Baptismal Prayer

Lord surround these children with goodness, lead them in Your light each day; Help them walk the path You've chosen, guide their steps along the way.... Teach them, Lord, to trust Your wisdom, with a faith forever new; Keep them from all harm, and bless them with your grace and gladness too.



Solidarity Sunday—This Lent, please give generously

- This Solidarity Sunday, Development and Peace Caritas Canada's Reaping our Rights campaign invites you to give generously and thanks you warmly for your generosity.
- Your donation transforms the lives of some of our most vulnerable sisters and brothers across the world.
- "Development and Peace Caritas Canada accompanies, supports and respects our institutional autonomy. It creates a climate of trust. I thank our sisters and brothers in Canada for their solidarity, a solidarity that generates life opportunities, that accompanies the dreams of women and men, of families, of communities and territories. Thank you!" — Eva Colque, Executive Director, Fundación NUNA, a partner in Bolivia
- Help create hope and dreams of the communities we support in the Global South by giving to your Share Lent parish collection or at devp.org/give. Thank you for your solidarity!



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