

FEBRUARY 14, 2021

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Today's readings prepare us for the penitential season of Lent.

In our Gospel, a leper knelt before Jesus and said, "If you wish, you can make me clean." Jesus reached out and touched this diseased man and healed him. He then encouraged the man to show himself to the priest and offer himself a cleansing, referencing what was commanded in the Law of Moses. By completing these rituals, this man might be reinstituted into the community.

Let us approach this holy season of Lent like the leper. By our faults, we have distanced ourselves from God and His community. The leper reminds us Who to go to so that we might be healed. Let us approach the Lord this season on our knees asking for forgiveness and healing from our offenses, saying, "If you wish, you can make me clean." There is no doubt that, if we have a contrite heart, Jesus will stretch out His hand in forgiveness and His mercy will touch our lives.

And like the leper, we too should go forth from being healed with a commitment to cleanse ourselves from the lasting effects of sin. Lent is a time to offer acts of reparation through Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving so that we might be purified in all areas of our life and walk with the Gracious Healer, Who sacrificed His life for our sake.

This holy season of Lent is an opportunity to be healed and cleansed on our journey as disciples of Christ. Let us consider what we can do to offer acts of reparation so that we might be purified and one day partake in the resurrection of Christ.



Stewardship Reflections by Catholic Stewardship Consultants

PARISH CALENDAR

Monday, February 15

8:30 a.m. - Livestream - Phyllis Henke †

Tuesday, February 16

8:30 a.m. - Livestream - Karl Tatzel †

7:00 p.m. - RCIA (Virtual)

Wednesday, February 17

8:30 a.m. - Livestream - Jane Oschypko
6:30 p.m.

Thursday, February 18

No Mass

Friday, February 19

8:30 a.m. - Livestream - Harold Wakil †

9:00 a.m. - Stations of the Cross
7:00 p.m.

Saturday, February 20

4:00 p.m.

5:00 p.m. - Livestream on YouTube
Richard Shanley † | Josette Saunderson †

Sunday, February 21

9:00 a.m. - Mass for the People
10:00 a.m. - Special Intention
11:00 a.m. - Aristide Tacinelli †

FAITH FORMATION & CATECHESIS

Interested in joining our RCIA session
at 7:00 pm, Tuesday, February 16, 2021 for
"Living Lent & Ash Wednesday"?
Please contact the parish office
to join the Google Meet.



POPE FRANCIS PRAYER INTENTION FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY

*We pray for women who are victims of violence,
that they may be protected by society and have
their sufferings considered and heeded.*

ARE YOU BEING CALLED?

"Do everything for the glory of God."
Your vocation is to give glory to God through
your very being. Is He choosing you to be a
priest or consecrated religious?
Contact Fr. Greg at the church office, 905 684 5603
or email frgregoryschmidt@gmail.com.





CWL St. Catharines Chapter Lent Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
**** See below for reading information			Feb 17 Ash Wednesday Do not give something up; do something new for the greater good	Feb 18 Go through your book collection. Donate to retirement or nursing homes or start a book club!	Feb 19 "Adopt" a CWL Member who does not attend meetings & call them	Feb 20 Say the Rosary for those who are lonely and sad
Feb 21 Read Easter books to children (even via Zoom)	Feb 22 Clean a room this week and donate old clothes to St. V de Paul or a refugee center	Feb 23 Clean out vases, trinkets, knick knacks and flower pots and donate to St. V de Paul store	Feb 24 Introduce a person via email or phone to an active group in your parish	Feb 25 Feed the birds	Feb 26 Clean your cloak closet and donate coats to a shelter	Feb 27 Please recite the Prayer to Saint Rita ****
Feb 28 Build a Lenten Cross	March 1 Clean out all your old glasses and drop off to an optician who sends them to third world countries	Mar 2 Wave to someone who walks by your window	March 3 Put the radio on and listen to music	Mar 4 Buy a Tim Horton's Gift Card and give it to a homeless person	Mar 5 Put your cell phone away for the day and focus on what is around you	Mar 6 Pray the Rosary for those who are alone due to COVID
Mar 7 Make a Lamb of God craft	March 8 Pray for those working during the Covid Pandemic	Mar 9 Send St. Patrick's Day cards to those who are unable to attend Mass	3/10/2020 Pray to St Camillus; patron saint of the sick, hospitals, nurses & physicians	3/11/2020 Go for a walk	3/12/2021 Thank your priest for all his efforts during this difficult time	Mar 13 Please recite the Prayer to Saint Rita****
Mar 14th Watch Mass on line	Mar 15 Call a relative you have not spoken to in awhile	Mar 16 Have a Mass said for the those feeling isolated	Mar 17 Donate old towels and blankets to pet shelters or rescues	Mar 18 Pray for those who have lost their lives due to COVID	Mar 19 Order spring bulbs to plant in May and attract bees which we need to save	Mar 20 Pray the Rosary
Mar 21 Make a Lamb of God craft	Mar 22 Start a Novena to St. Rita**** Finish a project you have not touched in a while	Mar 23 Novena Day 2 Take a leap & learn Facebook, or Instagram. Join the National CWL groups and learn more	Mar 24 Novena Day 3 Take an hour of silence & reflect on your Blessings	Mar 25 Novena Day 4 Mail Easter Cards to whoever you think needs a smile	Mar 26 Novena Day 5 Start or continue a Prayer Shawl Ministry	Mar 27 Novena Day 6 Please recite prayer to St. Rita
Mar 28 Palm Sunday Novena Day 7	Mar 29 Novena Day 8 *** If possible bring Palms to those were unable to attend Mass	Mar 30 Novena Day 9 Reflect on this Novena and what it meant to you	Mar 31 What can you think of to help make a positive impact today	Apr 1 Really look and see the spring blooms, offering hope & new beginnings	Apr 2 Good Friday Think of all the times Jesus carried you this year and thank him	Apr 3 Pray the Rosary
Apr 4 Easter Jesus is Risen						

Novena to St. Rita - You may find this here: <https://www.praymorenovenas.com/st-rita-novena-2>

The Patron Saint of Loneliness - St. Rita was a woman from the Middle Ages who became a nun after her husband was murdered. She is considered the patron saint of abused women, loneliness, spousal abuse, sterility, bad marriages, and widows. It is probably because of her association with widows and abused that she assumed patronage of all lonely people.

Prayer to St. Rita - Holy Patroness of those in need, Saint Rita, so humble, pure and patient, whose pleadings with thy Divine Spouse are irresistible, obtain for me from thy Crucified Christ my request (mention it here). Be kind to me, for the greater glory of God, and I promise to honor thee and to sing thy praises forever. Oh glorious St. Rita, who didst miraculously participate in the sorrowful Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ, obtain for me the grace to suffer the resignation the troubles of this life, and protect me in all my needs. Amen

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