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Mass Schedule

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 8:30 a.m.
Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 9:00 a.m. (Children's Liturgy of the Word)
11:00 a.m.

Confessions

Saturday 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. or by appointment

Office Hours

Monday to Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

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March 12, 2023

Third Sunday of Lent

Today's readings on this third Sunday of Lent present us with the theme of "thirst" and show us that a stewardship way of life can both satisfy our spiritual thirst for Christ and help us to satisfy Christ's thirst for souls. Our first reading, from the book of Exodus, begins with the words, "In their thirst for water, the people grumbled against Moses." What little faith and lack of trust they show after all God has done to free them from slavery. But Moses cried out to God for help, and sure enough, God provided generously to satisfy their thirst. He continues to provide generously for us these many centuries later.



Our Gospel passage from John recounts the life-changing encounter Christ has with the Samaritan woman at the well beginning with His words to her, "Give me a drink." Then, He adds, "If you knew the gift of God and who is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him and he would have given you living water."

Christ is speaking the very same words to us today. These two verses encapsulate the call to stewardship. Christ asks us to "give him a drink" by sharing what we have with Him and with others for His sake. Yet, it is Christ Himself who provides the water — the living water that is His grace.

God has chosen to include us in His plan for bringing all people to salvation through Him. We live out our part in His plan through a stewardship way of life. This Lent, let us resolve to respond to His call with passion and commitment. Let us do our part to quench His thirst.

Stewardship Reflections by [Catholic Stewardship Consultants](#)

Parish Calendar

Monday, March 13

8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - Rita Markle †
Daniel Leo † | Special Intention

Tuesday, March 14

8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - Agnes Sisco †
Ned Sauve † | Julianne Misk †

Wednesday, March 15

8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - Joseph Huibers †
Special Intention

Thursday, March 16 - No Mass

Friday, March 17

8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - Yvonne De Rozario †
9:00 a.m. (Livestream) - Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 18

5:00 p.m. (Livestream) - Special Intentions
Harry & Ingrid Edmondstone †

Sunday, March 19

9:00 a.m. - Mass for the People
11:00 a.m. - Rosario Alzamora †
Josephine Kobe † | Joseph Bayuk †

Respect for Life

Mass

Feast of the

Annunciation

The Cathedral of

St. Catherine of Alexandria

Most Reverend Bishop Bergie presiding

Friday, March 24th, 7:00 p.m.

Reception to follow

Are You Being Called?

"But whoever drinks the water I shall give,
will never thirst."

Are you thirsting for an understanding of your vocation? If you think Jesus may be inviting you to the priesthood or consecrated life, contact Fr. Greg at the church office, 905 684 5603 or email frgregoryschmidt@gmail.com.

- * Thank-you to all who do generously contributed to our very successful drive for unmentionables.
- * Knit - Crochet - Pray, our new prayer shawl ministry will begin on March 29 at 2 pm in Divinity Hall. Bring your needles and some yarn. Donations for yarn are gratefully accepted.
- * Our drive for used eyeglasses has started. Glasses placed in the basket in the narthex will be donated to the Warehouse of Hope to be delivered where needed.
- * We are collecting milk bags - the outer bags of the 3 litre pack. These will be donated to be woven into sleep mats for our local homeless population.



Power of Forgiveness Retreat

Date: Fri Mar. 17 5pm -Sun Mar 19 1pm

Cost \$350

Led by: Anna Racine

Understanding forgiveness is the first key to being able to forgive. Learn how to identify the stages of forgiveness on the journey to letting go. Explore how to release negative emotions of hurt, anger, blame and hatred so you can live more fully alive. This Retreat will provide a caring and nurturing environment to work through the forgiveness process and begin to heal from your deepest hurts. You will be guided with tools that will enable you to move forward with the healing process.

**"Learn how the power of forgiveness
will set you free."**



Presenter: Anna Racine, adjunct faculty at Mount Carmel Spiritual Centre, ministers on the St. Thomas More Parish Bereavement Team. She was given the 2015 Niagara Catholic Award of Distinction for her 20 years of service in Church Ministry and with the Niagara Catholic District School Board.

Presenter bio at www.annaracine.org

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Colombia: defence of land and territory

Colombia is home to nearly 10 per cent of the planet's biodiversity, yet it is also one of the most dangerous countries for people defending their land and territory against exploitation.

Development and Peace — Caritas Canada's partner, the Asociación Campesina de Antioquia (ACA, Peasant Association of Antioquia) supports peasant communities affected by armed conflict in defending their lives and territories and in building a culture of peace through filmmaking and art.



This Lent, meet our solidarity visitor Raquel Soto, a participant in ACA's documentary filmmaking school.

Learn more at devp.org/lent.

Faith Formation & Catechesis



We welcome you to join our
RCIA session for

"Mary & the Rosary"

at 7:00 pm, Tuesday, March 14th
in Divinity Hall.

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