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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 3, 2024 Third Sunday of Lent

Our readings call us to roll up our sleeves and persevere through the remainder of Lent by committing to a more faithful life with Christ.



In today's Gospel, Jesus purifies the temple area because it is being misused as a marketplace. He becomes angry at their lack of reverence for God. He spills the coins of the money changers and overturns tables, saying, "Take these out of here, and stop making my Father's house a marketplace."

Jesus witnessed the way people mistreated the temple — the place to worship God and God alone. He drives out evil and works to purify all that is sinful in that place. This is what Jesus wants to do for us this Lenten season. He wants to remove all impurity and evil in our lives and hearts so that we may have a proper dwelling place for the Holy Spirit. Let us ask ourselves, what areas of our life need cleansing? Let us name those areas and invite Jesus to purify us. He became man to carry our burdens and wipe away our sins. He has given us boundless mercy, but we must do our part to seek it and commit to living a more faithful life as a disciple of Christ. With this knowledge, let us seek to be purified from our sins so that our hearts might be a true temple of the Holy Spirit.

This season of Lent is only halfway done — there is still time to work through our shortcomings and purify our hearts for Easter morning. But let us not waste another moment. Let us name our shortcomings, seek God's mercy and invite Him to transform our hearts.

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## Parish Calendar

### Monday, March 4

8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - Michael Morra †  
Intentions of the Neary Family

### Tuesday, March 5

8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - Souls in Purgatory †  
6:30 p.m. - John & Margaret Doodeman †  
7:00 p.m. - RCIA

### Wednesday, March 6

8:30 a.m. (Livestream) -  
John & Margaret Doodeman †

Thursday, March 7 - No Mass

### Friday, March 8

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 9— CWL Gathering Mass

5:00 p.m. (Livestream) - Jack Barkwill †  
Pierette & Georges Cote † | Jenny Kenny †

### Sunday, March 10

9:00 a.m. - Maria & Giuseppe Quaresima †  
Maria & Antonio Ierace † | Biaggio Procopio †  
Serafina & Angelo Procopio † | Mary Viscek †  
Walter & Rose Bonasheski †  
11:00 a.m. - Mass for the People

## Offerings for January

Envelopes	\$ 39,640.80
Heating	40.00
Preauthorized Giving	10,580.90
Canada Helps	529.37
Interac e-Transfer	2,460.00
Renovations & Repairs	660.00
New Years	11,908.00
Christmas	730.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 66,549.07</b>

Thank you for your generosity

## Faith Formation & Catechesis



We welcome you to join our RCIA session on Tuesday, March 5th at 7:00 pm in our Divinity Room

## 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, talk to your priest or reach out to Fr. Greg at the church office, 905 684 5603 or email frgregoryschmidt@gmail.com.



St. Julia  
COUNCIL

## Catholic Women's League Corner: March 2 / 3

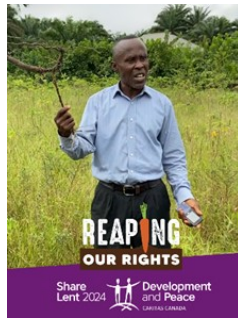


- Membership meeting: Wednesday, March 6 at 1 pm in the divinity room.
- Gathering Mass: Saturday, March 9 at 5 pm.
- Thank-you to all who contributed to our Unmentionables drive in February. Your donations were appreciated by the agencies who will distribute them.
- Join team St. Julia for our Plasma drive which will be open for the month of March. **You can make all the difference.**
- Thank you for your support.



### Denouncing oil pollution in Nigeria

- Nigeria is Africa's largest economy and biggest oil producer. Despite oil exports worth billions of dollars, millions of Nigerians remain in poverty and face food insecurity. In the south, pollution and contamination by the oil industry are causing great hardship.
- Development and Peace — Caritas Canada's partner Health of Mother Earth Foundation (HOMEF) defends farmers' rights and helps protect their lands.
- To learn more about the work of HOMEF, read our Mini-magazine and watch the video at [devp.org/lent](http://devp.org/lent).



### SHARE YEAR-ROUND MONTHLY GIVING

CREATE HOPE

- The best source of funding
  - Stable & predictable
- Small amounts help us dream big
- **The Matching Fund RETURNS!?**
  - From Ash Wednesday (February 14<sup>th</sup>) until Pentecost (May 19<sup>th</sup>) new Share Year-Round members will have their donation amounts **DOUBLED** for a year
  - Amount increases (from existing members) will be doubled!



\$35

makes it possible for an Afghan girl to remain in school.



Diocese of St. Catharines  
Where Faith Lives

On Saturday, March 16, 2024, in every parish church across the diocese a priest will be available from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. to hear individual confessions. No matter how long it has been, you are welcome to celebrate the Sacrament of Penance, which assists us in spiritual discipline as we turn away from sin and open our hearts to reconciliation and healing; or you can also simply come to pray before the Lord.

### Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for the Month of March

*For families in crisis.*

Let us pray that broken families might discover the cure for their wounds through forgiveness, rediscovering each other's gifts, even in their differences.

God created laughter...the ultimate cure for life's little hiccups



# Ways to Give to St. Julia Parish

## Pre-Authorized Debit (PAD)

- The easiest way to give, automatically debited from your bank account monthly
- Set it up once and never forget your offering
- Sustained offering for the parish through regular and consistent giving
- The debit will take place on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of each month (or on the next business day)
- Can be altered or stopped at any time

Click Here to print the form. Don't have a printer? Simply email or call the office and we will be pleased to mail you a form. Once completed drop off at the parish office or mail to:

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16 Adelene Crescent  
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## Interac e-Transfer

- Instant offering / transfer of funds from your bank account to St. Julia's account
  1. Log in to your online banking
  2. Click *Interac* e-Transfer
  3. Add contact name i.e. St. Julia
  4. Notify by *email*
  5. Contacts email address
    - Enter in our new **stjuliaparishstcgiving@gmail.com** email address
    - (you will only have to enter this in for the first time – St. Julia will then be a saved contact)
  6. Make your donation via your newly set up *Interac* E-Transfer

**Note:** *Please put your envelope number in the message line  
There is no password required for St. Julia to receive your donation*

## The Traditional Envelope

- Tried and true. Offered at the end of Mass or you can mail your envelope to:

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*Thank you for your continued generosity.*

**God bless you and those that you love.**