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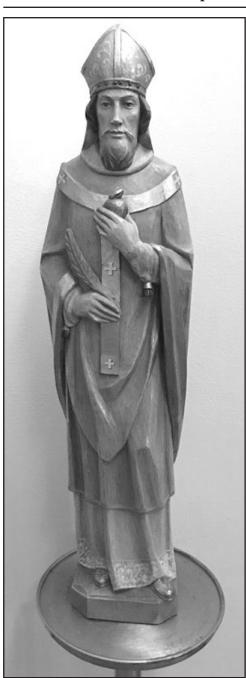
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#### **OFFICE HOURS**

Monday to Wednesday: 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

#### **WEEKDAY LITURGY:**

Monday to Thursday: 8:30 a.m.

#### **SUNDAY LITURGY**

Saturday: 4:30 p.m. & Sunday: 9:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

#### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 3:00 p.m. to 4:15 p.m.

#### **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Monday to Thursday: 7:00 a.m. to 8:15 a.m. (Confessions are available during this time)

#### **PARISH REGISTRATION**

Welcome to new parishioners. Please call the parish office to register.

BAPTISMS:	Julia Moffat	613-697-7966
CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP:	Antonella Couse	613-668-2400
(Mondays - 7:30 pm - Church Hall)		www.peopleofjoy.ca
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FINANCE COUNCIL:	Ray Gervais	613-228-6848
HEALING MASS:	Edna Dubroy	819-592-6377
(1st Friday of the Month – 7 pm - Church)	Antonella Couse	613-668-2400
HOLY SPIRIT HEALING CLINIC:	Michael Crane	613-834-5031
(Mondays – 1 pm to 4 pm – Church Hall)	www.ho	olyspirithealingclinic.com
HOSPITALITY (Coffee Sunday):	Anna Robotham	613-225-8523
	Margaret Heaslip	
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #	<b>16714:</b> Jeff Edwar	ds 613-729-4071
MARRIAGE:	Parish Office	613-225-7388
	At least 9 month	ns prior to marriage date
ORGANIST:	James Fraser	613-224-1382
PASTORAL CARE:	Parish Office	613-225-7388
PASTORAL COUNCIL:	Joe Cousineau	613-422-4387
PRO-LIFE:	Dolly Moyse	613-221-9178
SOCIAL ACTION:	Pat & Inez Gignac	613-526-0172

"You have made us for yourself Lord, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you."

PARISH SCHOOLS				
St. Augustine Elementary	1009 Arnot Road	613-225-8020		
St. Rita Elementary	1 Inverness Ave.	613-224-6341		
Frank Ryan Senior Elementary	128 Chesterton Ave.	613-224-8833		
St. Piux X High School	1481 Fisher Ave.	613-225-8105		

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#### PASTOR'S DESK - MARCH 9, 2025



#### **Stewards Blessed**

"I have now brought you the first fruits of the products of the soil which you, O Lord, have given to me." - Deuteronomy 26:10

This line from the Old Testament offers two challenges. First, do you give to God from your "first fruits" - the first and best that you have to offer? Or do you give from what you have leftover? Second, do you realize that everything you have and that everything you are has been given to you by God? We aren't owners of anything, we are merely **Stewards** of God's gifts. Pray for a grateful and generous heart, every day, in all circumstances.

Lent begins with Ash Wednesday. That smudge on our foreheads; reminds us to "turn away from sin and follow the Gospel". We leave the church marked with the sign of the cross. Be a witness to what it means to have ashes, a beginning but also a stark reality, "remember thou art dust... and unto dust you shall return". What will the 40-day Lenten season mean for you? Will it be different for you? We need to take this huge opportunity to enter deeply into prayer and reflection. Enter into a retreat experience; put aside other distractions. Enter the mystery of the Stations of the Cross with our Lenten theme this year, beginning on the first few days of Lent. We have daily mass at 8:30 a.m. with Adoration of Blessed Sacrament an hour before. What a great time for you to be open to surprises and a prayerful Lent.

**Mental Health awareness** was a highlight on a local TV news newscast this past Thursday (Feb. 27). There was a concerted effort to make people aware of the many areas for better health. OCSB has a caption: *Be kind to your mind*.

A thought occurred to me that we have Adoration every day here in the Church, from 7:00 a.m. until mass at 8:30 a.m. Approximately 8-10 people partake of this special time of prayer. Yes, prayer. How about yourself? Do you take the time in the day to meditate, pray the rosary or breviary? We also have Vespers every Thursday evening, at 7:00 p.m. Another great way to 'be kind to your mind'.



Margaret Heaslip, Maureen Funai, Maxine Kelly, Lillian Bradley, Barbara Minshall, Paulette Chennette, Edith Pakenham, Paul O'Grady, John Leman, Sydney Massine, Maureen Clulee, Ava Marrongelli, Deacon Chris Moffat, Lynn Kealey-Webb, Frances Grandbois, Richmond Guillermo, Ken and Christiane Taylor, John Lebrun, Donna, Wanda Hartlin, the seniors at the Ravines and at Stirling Park, those who are isolated, lonely and scared and those suffering from mental illness, Covid, or RSV.

### SCRIPTURE READINGS – MAR. 9<sup>TH</sup>

#### **First Sunday of Lent**

First Reading: Deuteronomy 26.4-10

This is how the chosen people are to confess their faith.

Second Reading: Romans 10.8-13

This is how believers in Christ

profess their faith.

Gospel: Luke 4.1-13

Jesus was led by the Spirit into the Wilderness: there he was tempted.

#### VIGIL LIGHT INTENTION FOR THE WEEK OF MAR. 9<sup>TH</sup>

The vigil light in front of the Blessed Sacrament is reserved for:

~~ the Brule family ~~

## $\frac{PRAYER\ FOR\ VOCATIONS}{MARCH\ 9^{TH}-1^{ST}\ SUNDAY\ OF\ LENT}$

For all men and women being chosen by Christ to follow Him as priests, deacons, sisters and brothers, that they will persevere in the face of temptations against faithfulness to their call, we pray to the Lord.

#### Support St. Patrick's Home Shamrock Sale

The parish will be selling Shamrocks in support of the residents at St. Patrick's Home. A box containing shamrocks is on the table at the back of the Church. The Shamrocks are available for free-will donation, which may be placed in the Shamrock donation box. Please consider donating to this worthy cause, just in time for St. Patrick's Feast Day.

#### Turn Debt into Hope: sign the petition!



A signature to Turn Debt into Hope. Next Sunday, March 16, you will be invited to sign the global Turn Debt into Hope campaign petition that calls for an end to unjust debt. With inequalities widening as rich countries continue enriching themselves by exploiting the resources of

the poorest countries, we respond to Pope Francis's call: "In the spirit of this Jubilee Year, I urge the international community to work towards forgiving foreign debt in recognition of the ecological debt existing between the North and the South of this world. This is an appeal for solidarity, but above all for justice." (Message for the World Day of Peace, January 1, 2025) Help us reach the Canadian goal of 100,000 signatures, which will feed into the global goal of 10 million signatures. Sign now at devp.org/debt. Thank you for your solidarity!



#### $MAR. 9^{TH} TO MAR. 15^{TH}$

#### FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

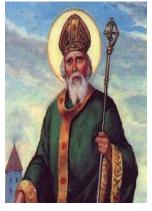
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Sun. Mar. 9	9:00 a.m.	For <i>the repose of the soul of Robert Arnott</i> by Melodie Gabriel.
Sun.	10:30	For the intentions of Silas and
Mar. 9	a.m.	Jaxon.
Mon.	8:30	For <i>deceased benefactors</i> by Father
<b>Mar. 10</b>	a.m.	Jonathan Kelly.
Tues.	8:30	For the repose of the soul of Sister
Mar. 11	a.m.	Anna Chan by Melodie Gabriel.
Wed.	8:30	For the repose of the soul of Antonio
<b>Mar. 12</b>	a.m.	Di Giacomo by the Cousineau family.
Thurs.	8:30	For the Richard family, living and
Mar. 13	a.m.	deceased by Matthew Richard.
Fri.		NO MASS ON FRIDAYS
<b>Mar. 14</b>		
Sat.	4:30	For <i>friends and family</i> by Father
Mar. 15	p.m.	Jonathan Kelly.

#### **2024 INCOME TAX RECEIPTS**

2024 income tax receipts are now available for pickup on the table, located at the back of the Church. Receipts are in alphabetical order.

#### **Mail Out Requests**

Receipts will be mailed upon request. Please call the office: 613-225-7388.



#### St. Patrick's Day Pilgrimage 2025 Monday, March 17<sup>th</sup>

Come walk with us!
Enjoy Fellowship, Prayer and
Reflection. Celebrate 9:00
a.m. Mass at St. Patrick's
Church (Fallowfield) and
pilgrimage to St. Patrick's
Basilica, Ottawa. The 28 km
walk will take approximately 8

hours and will conclude with a reception and refreshments in St. Patrick's Scavi (lower-level hall). Check for Pilgrimage details, such as route, optional starting points at the following signup link: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/St-Patrick-Pilgrimage">https://tinyurl.com/St-Patrick-Pilgrimage</a>

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