

3rd Sunday of Lent March 15th, 2020

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Reconciliation/confession is available every Saturday 11 am-noon at St. Ambrose Co-Cathedral.

MASS INTENTIONS March 14th- 22nd, 2020

Sat. **4pm** Anniv. Rose Purdy **and** Special Intentions

(Melbourne) Andrew Doucette

9am Parishioners Sun.

11:15am Special Intentions and intentions of

Philippe Ndeche

Mon. No Mass

Tues. **6:30pm** Odette Nickerson **and** Rosa Hattie

6:30pm William Letteney and Intentions of

Kenneth Jacquard

9am Victor McGuire and J Clifford O'Connell Thur. **9am** Special Intentions **and** Amos Surette 4pm Anniv. Eleanor Brush and Florence

(Blanchard) Zell

6pm (Melbourne) Gerald, Jerry and Neil DeViller

9am Intentions of Francis Cottreau and Paul

Hubbard

11:15am Parishioners

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BRING UP THE GIFTS in the offertory procession at a weekend Mass (if you are a family member of the person the Mass is for) please see the greeters at least 20 minutes before Mass begins.

Please note: The weekday Mass will be cancelled in the event of a funeral Mass. The Mass intention scheduled for that day will be offered at a later date.

FISH CHOWDER FRIDAYS: Will be taking place each



Friday during lent in the dining hall at the parish centre from 4:30-6:30pm. \$6.00 per person. Includes chowder, roll, tea or coffee. Please support our

youth who will be attending the Steubenville Atlantic conference this Summer. Thank You!

COFFEE SOCIALS: The coffee socials will be held next weekend after all the Weekend masses. Please note the pot lucks will resume in the fall and there will be no Coffee Socials for the Easter weekend.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS: Community



Breakfast: Sunday, March 15th from 9am -noon at the Knights of Columbus Hall. Adults \$7.00 and children under 12 \$3.50. Eat in or take out. The 4th Degree

meeting for Tuesday March 17th is cancelled.

COMING THIS LENT: PRESENCE: THE MYSTERY OF THE EUCHARIST. Beginning March 12 in the Dining Hall in the Parish Centre 7:00 p.m. God is with us. God wants to unite us to himself, to pour his love into us and to receive our love in return. God wants to be in communion with us. God wants this so much that God humbles himself, becoming truly and completely present under the appearance of simple bread and wine. Through the Eucharist, God gives himself and expresses his love for us – and by receiving the Eucharist, we love God in return. In exploring the story of the Eucharist, the question to ask is not "What is the Eucharist?", but "Who is the Eucharist?" March 19 – The Story of the Eucharist. March 26 – Bread for the Journey and April 2 – The Miracle at Every Mass. These videos will be repeated beginning Sunday March 29 at 10:15 a.m., downstairs in the Coffee & Creed room. Come and join us while the children are in their classes.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: will began on Friday,



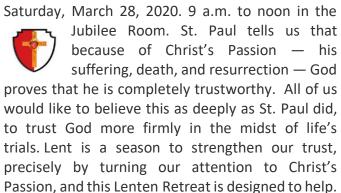
February 28 and will continue every Friday during Lent at St. Ambrose Co-Cathedral at 6:30pm. Each week, it will be led by a different group.

EASTER FLOWERS: Anyone who would like to make

a donation towards St. Ambrose or Our Lady of Lourdes Easter flowers in memory of a loved one may do so by either putting

your donation in an envelope with your number on it and placing it in the collection basket or you may make your donation at the parish office.

TROUBLE WITH TRUST: A Lenten retreat.



For further information please call Coleen 902 742-

4924 or Helen 902 742-6216.

PRAYERS FOR PERSECUTED CHRISTIANS: There will be Prayers for Persecuted Christians and a Presentation on the Holy Land on March 23rd 2020 at 7pm. This event will be held at St Thomas Aquinas Church 1725 Oxford Street, Halifax NS. Evening prayer with Fr. Brian MacMillan, KHS, presiding followed by the presentation by Archbishop Brian Dunn.

> **QUOTE OF THE WEEK:** The ordinary acts we practise every day at home are of more importance to the soul than their simplicity

might suggest. -St. Thomas More

NO HAND SHAKING AND NO HOLY



WATER: The diocese has asked that Peace we not shake hands at the Sign of Peace and not have Holy Water at the front of the church for the time being. -Fr. Henry

RECONCILIATION SERVICE: There will be a reconciliation service on Wednesday March 25th, at 6:30 pm at St. Ambrose. Why not make this Easter extra special with the feeling of deep forgiveness this

sacrament can give? Please note mass is at 9am that morning.

TAIZE SERVICE: Will be held March 22,2020 at 7:30pm at the Holy Trinity Church (61 William St., Yarmouth). TAIZE worship is non-denominations. It is simple, peaceful, with readings, reflection, prayer, music and meditative singing. All are welcome.

PROTECT LIFE: In recent weeks the federal government has tabled new legislation for euthanasia. They plan to remove the "reasonably foreseeable death" criteria. Doing so would impact the most vulnerable in our society. Disability activists are speaking out fiercely against this change because that criterion protects persons with disabilities from euthanasia. The Coalition for Health Care and Conscience are inviting their brothers and sisters in the faith to have their voice heard by taking part in a letter-writing campaign to their MPs. Postcards for this campaign are available and can be distributed to parishes upon request. You can also to https://www.canadiansforconscience.ca/ to learn how you can speak out for the vulnerable. For more information on these efforts contact Deacon Worthen at communications@cmdacanada.org



Please welcome into our Christian community Murphy Lovitt Goodwin who was baptised on Sunday March 8th, 2020.

Please keep Murphy and his family in your prayers.



Our sympathy is extended to the family and friends of Geraldine Marie Pothier Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon her.