

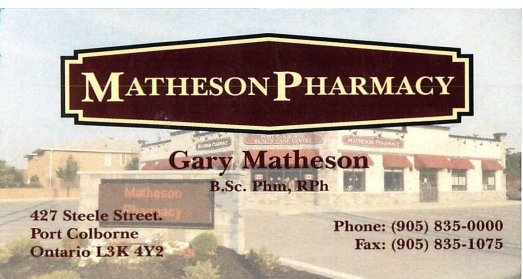
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**MARCH 3RD THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT**



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Office Hours: Wednesday 8:30AM—4:30PM

Holy Mass Schedule:  
The Day of the Lord begins Saturday: Vigil 4:00PM  
Sunday: 9:00AM & 10:30AM  
Weekdays: 8:00AM or as announced

Sacrament of Penance (Confession)  
Tuesday—Saturday: 7:00 AM –7:45 AM  
Saturday: 3:00-3:45PM  
Sunday: 8:00-8:45AM  
By appointment

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick:  
Please contact the parish priest during serious illness or before surgery.

Sacrament of Baptism: By appointment.

Sacrament of Marriage:  
Please contact the parish priest as soon as possible. Pre-marriage classes are mandatory.

Eucharistic Adoration:  
First Friday of the Month: 8:30—9:30  
First Saturday of the Month: 8:30—9:30

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**3RD SUNDAY OF LENT**  
March 3rd, 2024 – Year B

**Mass Schedule & Intentions: Feb. 24h–March 3rd**

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|-----------------------------|---|
| <b>Saturday</b><br>8:00 AM  | <b>March 2nd</b><br>†Kiesha Embrey by Lynn & Pat Dyson  |
| 4:00 PM                     | <b>Vigil of the Third Sunday Of Lent</b><br>† Dave & Irene Stepanchuk by family                             |
| <b>Sunday</b><br>9:00 AM    | <b>March 3rd—Third Sunday of Lent</b><br>†Dubravka Habjan by Angeline & Frank Habjan                        |
| 10:30 AM                    | All Parishioners  |
| <b>Monday</b><br>8:00 AM    | <b>March 4th: Third Lenten Week</b>   |
| <b>Tuesday</b><br>8:00 AM   | <b>March 5th: Third Lenten Week</b><br>†John Pasko by Markovich family                                      |
| <b>Wednesday</b><br>8:00 AM | <b>March 6th: Third Lenten Week</b>   |
| <b>Thursday</b><br>8:00 AM  | <b>March 7th: Third Lenten Week</b>   |
| <b>Friday</b><br>8:00 AM    | <b>March 8th: Third Lenten Week</b><br>Souls in Purgatory by Alba Farkas                                    |
| <b>Saturday</b><br>8:00 AM  | <b>March 9th Third Lenten week</b><br>†Roger Graveline by Ron Graveline                                     |
| 4:00 PM                     | <b>Vigil of the Fourth Sunday of Lent</b><br>† Marla & Emanuel Abela by C.& G. Burrison                     |
| <b>Sunday</b><br>9:00 AM    | <b>March 10th—Fourth Sunday of Lent</b><br>Health & Blessings for Scott Evans<br>By Angeline & Frank Habjan |
| 10:30 AM                    | All Parishioners  |

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE CARITAS  
CANADA

This is an opportunity to offer alms to those most in need through the annual Share Lent campaign. In collaboration with its partners in the Global South Development and Peace has selected Great Hope as the central theme for the next 5 years. This year's specific theme, Reaping our Rights, echoes Pope Francis's words in Laudate Deum: "Everything is connected" and "No one is saved alone." Consequently, we are asked to consider human rights, and environmental rights, ensuring their full respect not only within Canada but also across the world. Consider giving generously on March 17, the 5th Sunday of Lent.

**Daylight Saving Time starts**

This coming Sunday, March 10th, we have to bring our clocks one hour forward.



**THE VINEYARD**

The Vineyard, our diocesan newspaper has gone digital. If any of our parishioners would like a free online subscription, send an e-mail to [vineyard@saintcd.com](mailto:vineyard@saintcd.com)

**Every Lenten Friday:**



**Noon— 3:00 p.m. Eucharistic adoration**

**6:00 p.m. Way of the Cross**



**SEPARATED & DIVORCED HEALING MINISTRY**

This support group meets every 2nd and 4th Monday of the month (except holidays) 7 - 9 pm Mount Carmel Spiritual Centre 7020 Stanley Ave. Niagara Falls In person and Zoom meeting 905-356-4113 or 905-684-0415 or Email [separatedanddivorced@saintcd.com](mailto:separatedanddivorced@saintcd.com)



**SACRAMENT OF PENCE**



On Saturday, March 16, 2024 in every parish church across the diocese a priest will be available from 10:00am to 2:00pm to hear individual confessions. In our church there will be Eucharistic Adoration during this time. 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.



**PASCHAL TRIDUUM SCHEDULE**

- March 28th - Holy Thursday:** 6:00 PM– Holy Mass
- March 29th—Good Friday**
  - ◆ 11:00 am Stations of the Cross
  - ◆ 3:00 pm Friday of the Passion
- March 8th—Holy Saturday**
  - ◆ 11am—Easter Food Blessing
  - ◆ 8:30 pm Vigil of the Resurrection of the Lord
- March 31st— Easter Sunday**

**MARCH 19th: SOLEMNITY OF SAINT JOSEPH**



This occasion holds great significance for us as Saint Joseph is the patron Saint of Canada. Two masses are scheduled for the day:

8:00 AM  
6:00 PM

In our Lenten journey, a period dedicated to self-reflection, it is inevitable to compare our lives with the obligation to observe the Ten Commandments. **The Book of Exodus** reveals that the origin and motivation behind these commandments are not an imposition by a powerful God, but rather the action of liberation from slavery in Egypt performed by God for the benefit of His people. God makes us free and loves us; observing these commandments becomes a response of gratitude from those who recognize them as a loving and gratuitous gift from God. We understand that they are not given to subject us to divinity but to allow us to remain free individuals in every situation and moment of our lives.

**The second reading** offers another motivation for Lenten meditation. There is a worldly wisdom based on strength and spiritual and civil success. On the other hand, there is the wisdom of Christ, entirely new, which leads to love and not to divisions, teaching not to judge without any hint of pride. This wisdom overturns all human and divine categories. Understanding the power of God means realizing that He becomes small to the extent of becoming a man and even dying for us in a shameful death. For the Romans, death on the cross was a shame reserved for slaves, and for the Jews, it was equally serious to be hung on a cross, considered a curse of God as stated in a verse from Deuteronomy: "Cursed is everyone who hangs on a pole." For the Christian, the Cross becomes a sign of total sympathy and sharing of God with sinful and suffering humanity. The wisdom of Christ does not lend itself to idolatrous use against others; rather, it teaches to dedicate oneself to others, eliminating every pride and desire for dominion over them.

For the Jews, Yahweh had chosen Jerusalem as the privileged place of encounter with believers, and the temple represented the certainty of His presence among the people. The prophets urged to look at the temple as the place where the people and the believer could renew their covenant with the liberating and loving God. Jeremiah even had to fight against the widespread idea that attributed a magical meaning to the temple, and consequently led the people to believe that Jerusalem, thanks to the temple, was impregnable despite the contradictions and disobediences of the king and the people. **In today's gospel**, Jesus, driven by great zeal, performs an action of purification of the temple, asking that it becomes the place of encounter with divinity and not the center of a formalistic and empty religion. Only total trust in God and His liberating action gives value to prayer and worship towards God. If we consider today's three readings as a message for Easter preparation, we can grasp some fundamental truths:

- Faith primarily constitutes a relationship with God, made possible by the fact that Christ gives His life for us. It starts from God's love towards us, which frees us from our selfishness, sins, and leads us to salvation. The law of the Ten Commandments is not imposed as a constraint but rather as a path towards freedom.
- Faith implies the desire to understand God, His actions, and His thoughts, with the awareness of an abyss that separates God, who empties Himself of divine prerogatives to die on the cross, from the world that presents us with a concept of earthly power and success.
- Places of worship, celebrations, and our personal prayers must constitute a response to God's love, manifesting equal love and readiness. In other words, worship and prayer must be concrete expressions of our recognition and response to the divine love that frees and saves us.

**SUNDAY OFFERING**

Sunday Feb. 25 Offerings:  
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**CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE NEWS**

**COMING EVENTS**

**Next CWL members meeting** March 5th at 1:00 p.m.

**Apple pie sale March 23-24th:** these will be 10" pies for \$12.00. Please order early so no one will be disappointed. Call Irene at 905-834-6820 or Mary at 905-834-9520

Will be making up **Easter baskets**, anyone wishing to donate to offset the cost, see Mary Nan.

**Soup Sunday April 7th following the Mass.**  
Take outs \$5.00, Sit down, which includes Roll and dessert \$10.00.

**Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for the Month March**

**For the new martyrs:** We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm.