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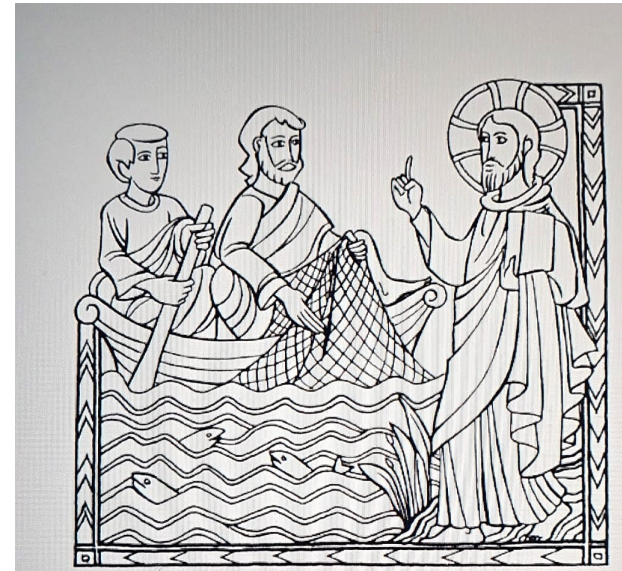
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**JANUARY 21TH
3RD
SUNDAY IN
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TIME**



Come, follow me and I will make you fishers of people!



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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
Weekdays: 8:00AM or as announced

Sacrament of Penance (Confession)
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 IN ORDINARY TIME

January 21st, 2024 – Year B

Mass Schedule & Intentions: Jan. 20th -28th

Saturday 4:00PM	20 Vigil of 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time † Delia Mattiazzo by Linda Smarrella
Sunday 9:00 AM	21st—3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Missa pro populo
Monday	Jan. 22nd: Third week in Ordinary Time
Tuesday 8:00AM	Jan. 23rd— Third week in Ordinary Time †All souls in purgatory by Alba Farkas
Wednesday 8:00AM	Jan. 24th— Saint Francis De Sales † Enrico Mascio by Elvira Masio
Thursday 8:00AM	Jan. 25th— The Conversion of Sain Paul † Lidia Favero by Shirley Nan
Friday 8:00AM	Jan. 26th— Saints Timothy and Titus † Lidia Favero by Ron Favero
Saturday 8:00 AM	Jan. 27th—Our lady’s Saturday † All souls in purgatory by Lynn Dyson
4:00PM	Vigil of 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time Missa pro populo
Sunday 9:00 AM	Jan. 28th—4th Sunday in Ordinary Time † Daniel LaFreniere by family



CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE NEWS

CWL Membership Renewal: Kindly note that membership fees is \$35.00 this year. Your prompt renewal is appreciated.

UP Coming Events

Next meeting: Feb. 6th at 1p.m.

Diocesan Lenten Retreat, Saturday, February 17 or Wednesday February 21

Place: Monastery of Mount Carmel

Cost: \$50.00 (CWL members \$25.00)

Guest Speaker: Father Michael Basque.

Deadline Feb. 9th. Check poster for more info.

To register contact Parish CWL President

Soup Sunday - March 10th following 10:30 a.m. Mass

Apple pie sale - March 23 & 24 following Sat. 4 p.m. & Sun. 9 a.m. Masses

Liturgical seeds from THE GENERAL INSTRUCTION OF THE ROMAN MISSAL

The Priest takes the paten or ciborium and approaches the communicants, who usually come up in procession. **In the Dioceses of Canada, Holy Communion is to be received standing, though individual members of the faithful may choose to receive Communion while kneeling.** When standing before the minister to receive Holy Communion, the faithful should make a simple bow of the head. When receiving Holy Communion on the tongue, they reverently join their hands; when receiving Holy Communion in the hand, they reverently open their hands placing one beneath the other, and they consume the host immediately upon receiving it. (#160)

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (January 18 – 25)

The theme chosen is “You shall love the Lord your God ... and your neighbour as yourself” (Lk 10:27). Information resources may be found at <https://www.weekofprayer.ca>.

Lenten Celebrations



February 14th: Ash Wednesday: 8:00 a.m. Mass

6:00 p.m. Mass

Every Lenten Friday: Noon— 3:00 p.m. Eucharistic adoration

6:00 p.m. Way of the Cross

Lenten Sunday: two masses: at 9:00 and at 10.30 am



February 11th: 32nd World Day of the Sick

These year the world day of the sick focuses on three themes. It reminds the faithful to pray for the sick; it invites us to reflect upon the meaning of human suffering; finally, it recognizes and honours all persons who work in the health care field. At the end of 9:00 a.m. mass a community celebration of the Sacrament of the Sick will be offered. Everyone who needs physical or spiritual healing can receive the Sacrament.



RCIC-C Program: Baptismal Formation for Children

The program is designed for children aged 5 (SK students) to 12, and it is a pivotal moment leading to the sacrament of baptism. Commencing on January 23rd at 4:30 p.m., the program spans eight enlightening sessions.

These meetings will take place at the parish rectory. For additional details, kindly reach out to us at #905.834.4645.

“The gift of service leads to a life of love.”
- Mary White

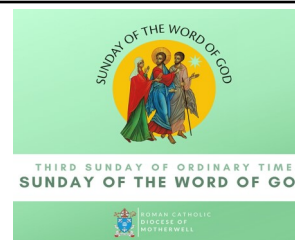


MANY THANKS TO YOU!

I wish to express my heartfelt gratitude to each and every one of our dedicated volunteers and staff members who, throughout the past year, exhibited unwavering commitment in meticulously planning our Eucharistic celebrations and organizing various outreach activities. Their tireless efforts ensured that our church building was not only prepared for these meaningful events but was also meticulously maintained. Your dedication, generosity, and thoughtfulness have not gone unnoticed, and I extend my sincerest appreciation. I would also like to extend my gratitude to our parishioners for your sacrificial contributions during the different appeals held throughout the year. Your support has been instrumental in sustaining the various initiatives and programs that enrich our community. As we reflect on the past year, I am filled with gratitude for the collective efforts that have made our community stronger and more vibrant. May the Lord shower each of you with abundant blessings, filling your lives with joy and peace. Thank you for being an integral part of our shared journey of faith and service.

January 21st:

Sunday of the Word of the Lord



The theme for the fifth Sunday of the Word of God, celebrated on 21 January 2024, is “Remain in my Word.”

There is a great resource at : http://www.evangelizatio.va/content/dam/pcpne/image/DomenicadellaParola/2024/ENG_V%20DOMENICA-SUSSIDIO.PDF

In today's Gospel, Jesus initiates his mission by uttering the first words. He presents himself as a messenger bearing an official and important announcement: good news that goes beyond mere information, aiming to transform those who listen by instilling renewed hope and trust.

The announcement emphasizes the presence of a significant moment, a favorable time for humanity originating in God. The second part further clarifies this concept. When the "Kingdom of God" is mentioned, it does not refer to a territory but to the exercise of royal power, the divine sovereignty acting to bring salvation to humanity, as promised in the Old Testament. Immediately after the announcement, an imperative appeal emerges: "Repent and believe in the Gospel." The good news is not merely information or a new doctrine but an invitation to inner transformation, with the goal of establishing a relationship with God through full consent to His will.

As Jesus travels through cities and villages along the Sea of Galilee, he encounters many people, but his gaze falls on four fishermen. In the Bible, God's gaze upon a person indicates a deep analysis of the soul and the gift of the necessary strength to respond immediately to the call. Jesus's words to Simon and Andrew are quick and direct; they do not articulate doctrines but invite the two fishermen to move, to follow him. By calling them to become disciples, he urges them to recognize that they are not the source of their own knowledge and that they need to learn from others. For this reason, they must set themselves in motion. Jesus does not leave them in ignorance regarding their future mission but reveals that he will make them "fishers of men."

God does not ask the disciples to be completely different from who they are but directs their skills and desires in the right direction, toward the salvation of others. Simon and Andrew abandon their work with enthusiasm and zeal, recognizing Jesus's call. Later, Jesus also calls James and John, emphasizing that they leave not only their nets but also their father Zebedee. This highlights that following Jesus involves abandoning the security derived from work and family connections; the disciple is invited to enter a new family: that of the Son of God. (Fr. D)

SUNDAY OFFERING

January 14th, 2024:	\$ 760.00
Parish Repairs:	\$ 75.00
Solemnity:	\$ 10.00
Initial:	\$ 5.00
Donation:	\$ 100.00

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