



Mass Intentions

Mar. 9 Saturday - Saint Francis of Rome

5:00 Antonio Rizzo – by sister Angela Pellegrino

Mar.10 Sunday - FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

10:00 Cosimo Girolamo – by son Rocco & family
 Benedetto DiRienzo – by moglie Angelina
 Gerardina Annichiarico – by Mary Mauriello
 Gioacchino & Carolina Cerminara –

by Marianna Formica

Michael Iorio – by family

11:30 Sharon Caserta – by Tony & Nancy Mazzei

Earnest Bagnulo – by family

Gregorio Santos Cunanan-by Arlene Goodarzi

Vincenzo Bortolon – by Antoinette Bortolon

Mar. 11 Monday - N O M A S S

Mar. 12 Tuesday - Blessed Angela Salawa

8:00 Loui & Philamena Fiorentino-by Lisa & Jim

Mar. 13 Wednesday – Saint Leander of Seville

8:00 Theresa Lococo – by friends & family

Mar. 14 Thursday – Saint Maximilian

8:00 Maria Girolamo – by son Rocco & family

Antonietta Fiello (Madonna Addolorata)

by Olga Fiello

Mar. 15 Friday - Saint Louise de Marillac

8:30 Stations of the Cross – Via Crucis

9:30 Mary & Giacomo St. Angelo – by family

Natalina Splendiani – by son Giorgio

Geraldina Annichiarico – by Josephine

Benito, Franchino, Gerardo DiMartino-by Lucia Leone

7:00pm Stations of the Cross – Via Crucis

For All the Deceased of the Parish

Mar. 16 Saturday - St. Clement Mary Hofbauer

5:00 For the Needs of All Parishioners

For All the Deceased of the Parish

Mar.17 Sunday - FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

10:00 Domenico Cameli – by moglie Angelina

Nick & Rose Grosso – by Mary Mauriello

Antonio, Maria, Emidio Coladonato –

by Anna DelVecchio & family

Lili Martuccio-Custode – by dad Joe & family

Madonna di Porto – by Giaconda Merante

MADONNA ADDOLORATA – Comitato

11:30 Dr. Carie Larosa-by LaRosa & Salvatore fam.

Charles Tomasky (St. Jude) – by wife Rose

John & Joseph Tirabasso – by T & N Mazzei

Ed Desson – by daughter Sandra

Iole Biamonte – by husband Sam & family

**Passion Sunday - Holy Week
 & Easter Triduum - 2024
 Masses & other Celebrations**

March 22 Parish Form II Reconciliation

7:00 pm

March 23 Palm Saturday 4:00 pm

**** Confessions ****

5:00 pm Mass

*Please gather in the Parish Hall for the
 Blessing of Palms and Procession*

March 24 Palm Sunday

10:00 am Mass (Italian)

*Si prega di riunirse nella Sala Parrocchiale per Benedizione
 delle*

Palme e Processione

11:30 am Mass

*Please gather in the Parish Hall for the Blessing of Palms
 and Procession*

March 26 Tuesday

8:00 am Mass

7:30 pm Chrism Mass at Cathedral

March 27 Wednesday

8:00 am Mass

6:00-7:00pm **** Confessions ****

March 28 Holy Thursday

6:30 pm Mass of the
 Lord's Supper
 Adoration

8:00 pm **** Confessions ****

10:00 pm Closing prayers

March 29 Good Friday

3:00 pm Celebration of the
 Lord's Passion

Immediately followed by the

Stations of the Cross

Via Crucis

March 30 Holy Saturday

9:00am Decoration of the Church

8:00pm **EASTER VIGIL**

March 31 Easter Sunday

10:00 am Mass (Italian)

11:30 am Mass

GOSPEL MESSAGE

Lenten season is a time of conversion and a time of struggle against temptation, evil and doubt. Despite harsh reality, much suffering, injustice and loss of faith in our secularized world, there is always a path back to God through repentance, for God is love!

MESSAGGIO DEL VANGELO

Il tempo quaresimale è un tempo di conversione e un tempo di lotta contro la tentazione, il male e il dubbio. Nonostante la dura realtà, tanta sofferenza, ingiustizia e perdita di fede nel nostro mondo secolarizzato, c'è sempre un percorso per tornare a Dio attraverso il pentimento, perché Dio è amore!

LENT - FOURTH Sunday

LAETARE SUNDAY

This Sunday is called "Laetare Sunday" since its mood and theme is one of hope and rejoicing that Easter is near. In the Ordinary Form this Sunday is not different from the other Sundays of Lent even though the entrance antiphon for the day still begins with the Latin word "laetare" and the vestments worn by the celebrant are rose-coloured, not violet. The day is important because it is the day of the second scrutiny in preparation for the baptism of adults at the Easter Vigil.

"Jesus then took the loaves and...distributed them to those reclining,...as much as they wished"

We all 'wish' to be fed with joy, now and forever. The discipline of Lent may sadden our poor frail nature, so the Church analyzes the causes of true joy in this *Rejoice* or *Laetare* Sunday. The first source of genuine joy is a sincere Easter Confession; it emancipates us from the slavery of sin. We now enjoy the *freedom* of Christ's Gospel of love, because we have been freed from the bondage of that fear which prevailed in the days before Christ.

The second source of genuine joy is a fruitful Easter Communion, for which proper preparation and thanksgiving have been made. The soul's instinctive hunger is satisfied by the *personal* com-muning with God. Humanity thus fed with Divinity, is joyously united in a real *social* and mystical union.



Développement et Paix Development and Peace

Development and Peace – Caritas Canada, is the official international development organization of the Catholic Church in Canada. It provides an ideal way to offer alms to those most in need through their annual **Share Lent** campaign. Inspired by Pope Francis' October 2021 address to the World Meeting of Popular Movements, **Development and Peace – Caritas Canada** begins a new campaign cycle this year. **Create Hope** will be the guiding theme for the next few years. This year the theme is **Reaping our Rights** focusing on the good work being done in the field of small-holder agriculture, in order to alleviate poverty and hunger in many areas of the world.

Collection next weekend-March 16/17.

ST. JOSEPH TABLE – Sunday 17th March

On Sunday 17th March, in the Parish Hall, we will be having a St. Joseph Table display with baked goods, which will then be for sale. There will also be Coffee or Tea for everyone. Fr. Kessete will be blessing the Table after the 10:00 a.m. Mass and everyone can remain for refreshments and the Bake Sale. The Bake Sale will continue after the 11:30 a.m. Mass. We will once again be calling on all of our talented bakers for donation of homemade baked goods which can be delivered on Saturday, March 16th between 10 and 12.

"Where Faith Lives"

invites all Catholics to celebrate the

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturday 16th March 2024

10:00 am - 2:00 pm

**In Every Catholic Church across the diocese
a priest will be available to hear
individual Confessions.**

EASTER FLOWERS - FIORI DI PASQUA

Envelopes for the Easter floral donations are available at both entrances of the church if you wish to get your donations in early.

Le buste per donazione dei fiori di pasqua sono disponibile all'entrata della Chiesa.

Please PRINT clearly on the envelopes - Scrivete in STAMPATELLO sulle buste

BLD (OSG) COVENANT COMMUNITY

In preparation for Pentecost Sunday, the BLD (OSG) Covenant Community of St. Catharines would like to invite you to a "Seminar on the Life in the Spirit" every Friday, from April 5th to May 17th 2024, at the Cathedral of St. Catherine of Alexandria, from 8 – 10:30pm. Register free at www.bldstcatharines.org by March 29th.

PASTA NIGHT SUCCESS

We would like to sincerely thank Joe Covelli and his kitchen crew as well as all of the Parish Hall volunteers for so generously donating their time in order to ensure the success of this monthly event. We are deeply grateful for all funds raised for the church.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK OR HOMEBOUND

Angelina Cameli, Rita Cameli-Roma,

Angelina DiRienzo, Maria DiRienzo,

Carmen/Maria Fabiani, Marianna Formica,

Flora Kennedy, Ethel LaRosa,

Gildo Luvison, Luigi Maruca,

Giaconda Merante, Anna Orsini,

Vincenzina Pascuzzi, Emilia Romeo,

Teresa Scozzafava, Concetta Sirianni, Maria Visca