

**Mass Intentions****Apr. 5 Saturday - Saint Vincent Ferrer**

5:00 Umberto Spinosa – by wife Enza & family
 Lidia Ann Mannella – by Emma Ramos
 Porfirio Concepcion – by Emma Ramos

Apr. 6 Sunday – FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

9:00 Carmine & Giuseppina Mauriello – by niece
 Mary Mauriello
 Costanza Martuccio – by husband Joe & fam.
 Benedetto DiRienzo – by moglie Angelina
 Giuseppe Gulla – by moglie Gilda & famiglia
 Antonietta Armenti – by F. & M. Santesso
 & family

11:00 For All the Deceased of the Parish
 For the Needs of All Parishioners

Apr. 7 Monday - NO MASS**Apr. 8 Tuesday - Saint Julie Billiart**

8:00 Michael Iorio – by family

Apr. 9 Wednesday - Saint Casilda

8:00 Antonio Elia – by John Warren

Apr.10 Thursday - Saint Magdalen of Canossa

8:00 Bruno Cerasuolo – by friends

Apr.11 Friday - Saint Stanislaus

9:00 Erminia Saporito-Sirianni – by family
 Anthony Patrick Barone – by Mary Mauriello
 Anthony Patrick Barone – by Iammarino family
 Anthony Patrick Barone – by R/N Girolamo

9:30 Stations of the Cross – Via Crucis

7:00_{pm} Stations of the Cross – Via Crucis

5:00 Domenic & Caterina Mazzone – by family
 Francesco Scialdone – by Michael Simmonds

Apr.13 Sunday – PALM SUNDAY

9:00 Lisetta & Rose Mauriello – by Mary Mauriello
 Emidio Coladonato- by Anna DelVecchio & family
 Domenico Cameli - by moglie Angelina
 Rosa & Nicola Nero – by Florence & family
 Iole Biamonte – by genitori Joe & Maria

11:00 Vincent & Marie Morocco – by R. H.
 Rosalie Morocco-Clark – by R. H.
 Aida Mendoza – by Ralph & Alita Elefante
 Arthur Quaranto – by wife Dolores & family
 Michele Stante – by moglie Palma
 Benito Vescio – by wife Filippina Vescio

GOSPEL MESSAGE

A Christian faith that lacks compassion, warmth or genuine connection tends to focus more on judgment and becomes a cold and loveless religion.

A genuine faith softens our hearts for compassion and helps us create a close and deep relationship with God.

MESSAGGIO DEL VANGELO

Una fede cristiana senza compassione, affetto o legame genuina tende a concentrarsi di più sul giudizio e diventa una religione fredda e senza carità.

Una vera fede riscalda i nostri cuori alla compassione e ci aiuta a creare una relazione profonda con Dio.

WEEKLY QUOTE

"...silence the sounds of arms,...overcome division,...tear down walls of division and dispel hatred..."

(Pope Francis, Urbi et Orbe 2024)

We Christians identify the Cross as a symbol of salvation, grace of God's love for humanity, not just a sign of hardship and suffering.

Fifth Sunday of Lent

Gradually, we are coming close to the end of Lent and getting close to the paschal feast. We are gradually moving away from the zone of suffering to the zone of glory. Thus all of today's readings give us hope and paint a picture of a brighter future.

In the first reading, God tells us of the new things he has started doing among us and for us. He is restoring our hope and giving us every reason to continue on our paths...the Lord will soon put a smile on our faces..."Weeping may endure at night, but joy comes in the morning," (Ps 30,5).

In the second reading, Paul tells us that he decided to count everything as a loss for the sake of Christ. This was in order to gain the future glory that God wishes to reveal in Christ... So, Paul remained resolute in his faith. He did this even to the point of "reproducing Christ's death in himself. This same promise must sustain us to the end.

DEVELOPMENT & PEACE 2025**"TURN DEBT INTO HOPE"**

Collection this week – if you have forgotten your donation envelope please bring it for next week's collection

LENTEN FRIDAYS – Days of Abstinence – No Meat

In Canada, by decree of the Canadian Bishops, first preference is abstaining from meat but *"on Fridays it is permitted to substitute abstinence or fasting with other forms of penance, especially works of charity."*(c.1253

5ª Domenica di Quaresima**Chi crede in me non sarà deluso**

Ci sono momenti della vita in cui si impongono scelte decisive: per il lavoro o la professione, per la famiglia, o per l'orientamento dei figli Per i credenti, il battesimo è stato la scelta fondamentale per Cristo, l'accettazione di criteri evangelici di vita. Il punto di riferimento di questa domenica è Cristo, presentato da Luca come nuovo Adamo, che nel deserto fa esperienza di incertezza: o cedere alla tentazione o fidarsi del Padre. La sua scelta è di restare fedele alla sua identità di Figlio.

Un nuovo cammino verso la Pasqua si è aperto. La Quaresima ripropone l'impegno dell'ascolto della parola di Dio, della conversione, della preghiera, della carità fraterna perché la Chiesa riscopra il senso della propria vocazione e appartenenza al Signore, in un continuo passaggio verso la vita nuova. Ogni momento è segnato da questi impegni, ma il tempo quaresimale ha un'efficacia particolare perché è memoria viva e attuale del cammino pasquale di Cristo, del suo «sì» alla volontà del Padre nel segno della comunità che si converte.

AUTODEPOSIT FOR DONATIONS NOW AVAILABLE

Although it took a while to set up, we are finally able to receive church donations directly deposited to the church account via our email: office@churchofsaintann.ca.

This feature will hopefully encourage donations especially for those parishioners who are physically unable to attend mass on a regular basis. All e-transfer donations will of course be recorded and receipts issued on an annual basis.

Monthly Pasta Dinner

This past Thursday we held our monthly Pasta Supper. Our deep gratitude goes out to Joe Covelli and his kitchen crew as well as all of the other Hall volunteers who selflessly show up every month to ensure the success of this event.

*We are grateful to Mr. Chuck Antonio
for this month's sponsorship*

EASTER FLOWERS FIORI DI PASQUA

For those who would like, you can make a contribution of a potted Easter flower in memory of a deceased loved one. These flowers will decorate our Church for the Easter season. The donation cost for each potted flower is **\$ 20.00**.

The persons in whose memory the flowers are offered, will be listed in the bulletin and they will be remembered and prayed for in our Holy Week celebrations.

Extra floral donation envelopes are at the church entrances. *Buste di donazione per i Fiori di Pasqua sono all'entrata della chiesa.*

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK
& THE HOMEBOUND**

Giuseppe Armenti, Angelina Cameli, Rita Cameli,
Domenic Calabrese, Angelina DiRienzo,
Maria DiRienzo, Beatriz Disch,
Carmen Fabiani, Sam Fiore, Jenny Green,
Virginia McConnell
Agueda Maria Melo, Patricia Millington,
Geraldine Parker, Vincenzina Pascuzzi,
Don Taddeo, Marianna Weber

**Passion Sunday - Holy Week
& Easter Triduum - 2025
Masses & other Celebrations****April 10 - 7:00pm Form II Reconciliation****April 12 Palm Saturday**

3:30 – 4:30pm ** Confessions **

5:00pm Mass

April 13 Palm Sunday

9:00 am Mass (Italian)

11:00 am Mass

*Distribution and Blessing of Palms in the Parish
Hall - Procession from Hall to the Church*

April 14 Monday

NO MASS

April 15 Tuesday

8:00 am Mass

8:30 – 9:30 am ** Confessions **

7:00 pm Chrism Mass at Cathedral

(Blessing of Sacramental Oils)

April 16 Wednesday

8:00 am Mass

April 17 Holy Thursday

NO MORNING MASS

**6:30 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper
With Washing of the Feet**

Adoration

Confessions during Adoration

10:00 pm Closing prayers

April 18 Good Friday

1:30-2:30pm ** Confessions **

**3:00 pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion
Stations of the Cross**

Immediately following the Service

April 19 Holy Saturday

11:30am-1:00pm ** Confessions **

8:00 pm E A S T E R V I G I L

April 20 Easter Sunday

9:00 am Mass (Italian)

11:00 am Mass