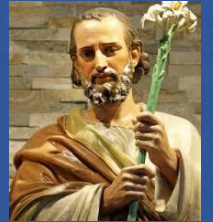
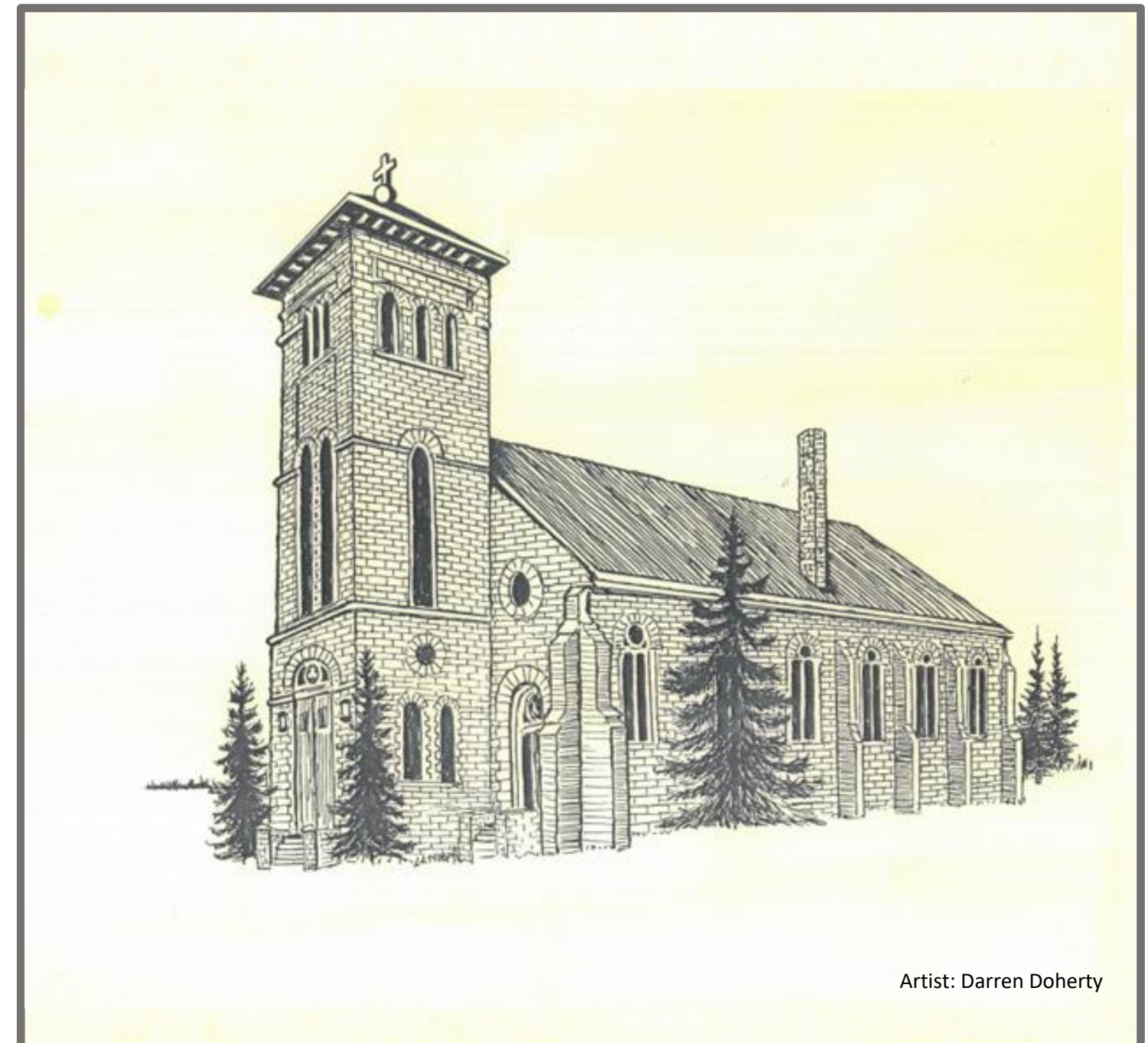


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# WELCOME TO ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH

## Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time

### February 11, 12

#### St. Joseph's Parish Mass Intentions

**TUESDAY Feb 14 8:30 am NO MASS**  
**WEDNESDAY Feb 15 8:30 am NO MASS**  
**THURSDAY Feb 16 11:30 am NO MASS**  
**FRIDAY Feb 17 8:30 am NO MASS**  
**SATURDAY Feb 18 5:00 pm People of the Parish**  
**SUNDAY Feb 19 10:00 am † Neil Allen (by Bob, Suzanne & Family)**

LECTORS	SAT – 5:00 PM	SUN –10:00 AM
Feb 11-12	Bob Condon	Mike Moloney
Feb 18, 19	Michelle Towns	Margie Morrissey
<b>EUCHARIST</b>		
Feb 11-12	Bob Condon	Annette Dunford
Feb 18, 19	Ray Johnston	Margie Morrissey
<b>USHERS</b>		
Feb 11-12	Albert Heffernan	Paul Yasyszczuk
Feb 18, 19	Barry Condon	Mike Moloney
<b>CLEANERS</b>		
Week of Feb 13	Joyce Manser	Jill Scott
Week of Feb 20	Marian Coughlin	Marian Leahy

#### Parish Stewardship

Feb 5, \$2,369 including \$834 of pre-authorized offering.  
*We thank you for your continued support of our Parish!*

**INCOME TAX RECEIPTS ARE READY FOR PICK UP!** Please retrieve yours as soon as possible to save on mailing costs.

If you are unable to find your receipt or you have any questions, please contact the office at 705-652-3231

**BRINGING SCRIPTURE TO LIFE** - with Munroe Scott. Next gathering on Wednesday **February 8**. Part 2 of 9 Wednesday evenings (except Ash Wednesday) from 6:30-8:00 pm in the hall. Our study is the Gospel of Matthew. We welcome you to join us for this lively study of God's word. All are welcome!



**INDIGENOUS RECONCILIATION FUND** special collection takes place on **Feb. 18 & 19**. Please use the envelopes at the church entrance or go to [:canadahelps.org/en/dn/73075](https://www.canadahelps.org/en/dn/73075) to donate.

**CURRENT CANDLES ARE LIGHTED THE BLESSED MOTHER CANDLE BURNS Feb 11-17 FOR THE INTENTIONS OF SHERRI CONDON AND FAMILY.**

**OUR ST. JOSEPH CANDLE IS LIGHTED Feb 11-17 FOR THE SICK, ESPECIALLY FOR WORLD DAY OF THE SICK ON Feb 11.**

Healing Mass at **St. Alphonsus Feb 11 at 12 noon**, followed by a light lunch.

#### **PRAY THE ROSARY AT HOME FOR YOUR FOLLOWING PARISHIONERS:**

**Cathy Millen, Kevin Heffernan, Wyatt Moloney, Patti Simmons.** Add a stone to our stone bag so that we can count how many members are praying the rosary to our Blessed Mother for our parish and parishioners.

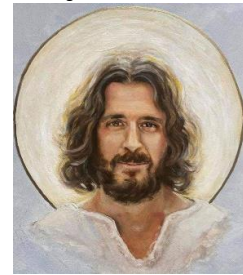
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**FREE PUBLIC SKATING** at the Douro Arena Sunday Family Day February 20<sup>th</sup>, 1:00 to 3:00pm sponsored by St. Joseph's Knights of Columbus.

**NEXT QUILTING IN THE HALL** for this year's Douro Doings will be February 13 & 14. Everyone is welcome. Future dates are February 27 & 28, March 13 & 14, 27 & 28. Now is the time to learn a new craft. Lots of knowledgeable instructors available!



**"I rejoiced when they said unto me, let us go into the house of the Lord." Psalm 122:1**



We welcome all visitors and parishioners who have come to worship here today on **Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Times**. To our visitors, you may have come as a stranger to us, yet you are known to Our Lord, Jesus Christ. In His name, we pray you will find peace, hospitality, and friendship with us.

No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, we are glad you're here and hope that you come back again. The doors of our parish and our hearts are open to you. Please be in touch.

#### **Holy Eucharist: Did you know?**

"Blessed are they who are hungry, for they shall have their fill." Luke 6: 21

**Reflection:** When you come to Mass, how hungry are you to be filled with the riches of the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist? The more we long for the reception of Holy Communion and the more we desire to be united to Our Lord, the more graces, love, peace and joy will be ours. Much depends upon the disposition of our hearts. The graces which we receive are accordingly up to us.

#### **ASH WEDNESDAY MASS TIMES**

**9:15 a.m. School all welcome\*,**  
**12:00 (noon) Parish Mass\*,**  
**6p.m. Parish Mass\***  
 \*Ashes will be given out all masses.



**ASHES** For centuries, Catholic Christians have marked the beginning of the season of Lent by receiving ash on their foreheads on Ash Wednesday. This tradition has its roots in the Old Testament, where wearing ashes was a common sign of repentance for sins, and a sign of one's humility before God. Since Lent is a season of penitential renewal through prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, it's appropriate that this ancient sign marks the beginning of the season.

The ashes themselves are usually made by burning the palm fronds from the previous year's Palm Sunday. This symbolically connects the beginning of Lent with its end, connecting our change of heart with Christ's passion, death, and resurrection.



**BRING BACK YOUR PALMS** from last year so that we can collect them and they can be burned.

**LENT** Just as we set aside time to spiritually prepare for Christmas Day, it makes sense to set aside time to prepare for the two most important days of the Christian year - Good Friday and Easter. Lent is a time that offers us an opportunity to come to terms with the human condition we may spend the rest of the year running from, bringing our need for a Savior to the forefront. Lent is a time to open the doors of our hearts a little wider and understand our Lord a little deeper so that when Good Friday and Easter come, it is not just another day at church but an opportunity to receive the overflowing graces God has to offer. Lent is more frequently observed as a solemn time of preparation for remembering the death and resurrection of Jesus at Easter. From the start of Lent on Ash Wednesday till Lent ends on Easter Sunday, Lent is traditionally a time of fasting or giving something up, known as abstinence. Lent gives us time to prepare our minds and hearts for remembering the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus.

#### **A Prayer For God to Bring Beauty From Ashes**

Dear God, In this season of Lent, we're reminded of our own difficulties and struggles. Sometimes the way has seemed too dark. Sometimes we feel like our lives have been marked by such grief and pain, we don't see how our circumstance can ever change. But in the midst of our weakness, we ask that you would be strong on our behalf. Lord, rise up within us, let your Spirit shine out of every broken place we've walked through. Allow your power to manifest through our weakness, so that others will recognize it is You who is at work on our behalf. We ask that you would trade the ashes of our lives for the beauty of your Presence. Trade our mourning and grief for the oil of joy and gladness from your Spirit. Trade our despair for hope and praise. We give you thanks today and believe this season of darkness will fade away. Thank you for being with us in whatever we face and for being greater than this trial. We know and recognize that you are Sovereign, we thank you for the victory that is ours because of Christ Jesus, and we are confident that you have good still in store for our future. We thank you that you are at work right now, trading our ashes for greater beauty. We praise you, for you make all things new.

#### **Heavenly Father,**

***Thank you for the gift of this season. Thank you for knowing our hearts and our need for rhythms in our lives, and for drawing us into a deeper communion with you throughout the coming 40 days.***