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*Ash Wednesday, February 14, 2024*

*Masses, 9:15 am school/parish  
12:05 parish, 6:30 pm parish*

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| <b>Bishop:</b> Most. Rev. Daniel Miehm      | <b>Marriage:</b> By arrangement (min. 6 months prior)            |
| <b>Mass Times:</b> Sat 5 pm, Sun 10 am      | <b>Baptism:</b> By arrangement with the Parish Office            |
| <b>Admin. Assistant:</b> Maryann Clancy     | <b>Reconciliation:</b> Sat 4:00—4:30 pm or by appointment        |
| <b>Office Hours:</b> Tues & Thurs 9am - 4pm | <b>Home Communion:</b> Anytime upon request                      |
| <b>Knights of Col.:</b> Ray Johnston        | <b>Music Ministry:</b> Tina McCarthy & Amy Melanson              |
| <b>CWL:</b> Margaret Morrissey              | <b>Cemetery Board:</b> Bob Condon 705-772-6071                   |
| <b>Hall Rental:</b> Contact Parish Office   | <b>Diocese Website:</b> www.peterboroughdiocese.org              |
|   | <b>St. Joseph's School:</b> Principal: Mark Collins 705-652-3961 |

# WELCOME TO ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH

## February 10, 11 Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time.



**"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 the 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time! 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.

If you are a resident in this area, we hope that you will continue to grace us with your presence and register with us. You may call 705-652-3231 or stop by the parish office to register. If you are a visitor, we thank you for participating in worshipping with us and we hope to see you again.

### St. Joseph's Parish Mass Intentions

**Tuesday Feb 13 8:30 am** † **Cassie Meade by Pawel & Ingrid Zbieranowski**  
**Ash Wednesday Feb 14 9:15 am** **School & Parish mass**  
 12:05 pm † **Jean Moloney by the Family**  
 6:30 pm † **Deceased members of the Whibbs Family**  
**Thursday Feb 8 6:30 pm** † **Fergus O'Brien by Eileen & James Ryan**  
**Friday Feb 9 8:30 am** **Int of Rosemary & Mike Towns by Don & Mary Forrest**  
**Saturday Feb 10 5:00 pm** **People of the Parish**  
**Sunday Feb 11 10:00 am** † **Jerry Ryan by Shelley and Family**  
 † **Cassie Meade by Carmella LeMoire & Family**

LECTORS	SAT – 5:00 PM	SUN –10:00 AM
Feb 10, 11	Michelle Towns	Joanne Armstrong
Feb 17, 18	Gerard Sullivan	Margie Morrissey
EUCCHARIST		
Feb 10, 11	Terry Pecoskie	Annette Dunford
	Wendy Tedford	Margie Morrissey
USHERS		
Feb 10, 11	Albert Heffernan	Jim Holland
	Barry Condon	Paul Yasyszczuk
CLEANERS		
Week of Feb 12	Darlene Sullivan	Suzanne Allen
Week of Feb 19	Jean Heffernan	Rosemary Towns

#### PRAY FOR THE NEEDS OF PARISHIONERS AND

**LOVED ONES.** Health of **David Rundle, Joe Ross and Patti Simmons.** For all who are **Shut-ins or in Nursing Homes and Retirement Residences.** If you know someone that you would like to have included in our prayers, please contact the office or Fr. Randy.

**THE BLESSED MOTHER CANDLE BURNS FEB 10-16 FOR COMFORT AND HEALING OF THE SICK IN RECOGNITION OF WORLD DAY OF THE SICK**

**THE ST. JOSEPH CANDLE IS LIGHTED FEB 10-16 FOR MARRIAGES IN RECOGNITION OF WORLD MARRIAGE DAY.**

**FAMILY DAY-MONDAY FEB 19** Free skating 2-3:30 at the Douro Areana. Free Hot Chocolate and Hotdog for all skaters. Sponsored by Douro Knights of Columbus and Warsaw Lions Club.

**SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE DINNER** at St. Paul's Church in Lakefield. Feb 13, 3-7pm. By donation.

#### **Holy Eucharist: DID YOU KNOW?**

Did you ever wonder about the Divine Wisdom of God in giving us the Holy Eucharist? We know that St. Thomas Aquinas wrote the following reflection in his "Short Summa". He stated, "Among the various indicators that make the holiness of God known to men, the most convincing sign is the holiness of men, who are sanctified by the Divine indwelling." One of the proofs of God's holiness then is His giving of Himself totally to us in the loving intimacy of the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist. Upon our worthy reception of Jesus in Holy Communion, the Divine indwelling resides within each of us.

**Reflection:** How does the Divine indwelling of Jesus within you, after your personal reception of Holy Communion, affect you? Are you reflecting the holiness of God in your life?

#### **Message from Fr. Randy**

Dear friends, The Gospel for this Sunday is of special beauty. The Evangelist Mark is very detailed in telling us about Jesus' interactions with the sick. Last week, with Simon's mother-in-law who laid sick, Mark shared that Jesus "approached her, grasped her hand and helped her up" (Mark 1:31.) The same is the case this weekend with the Lord's interaction with a leper in the Gospel.

Jesus does not stand afar, but he gets involved with our lives. Life is messy, and Jesus is not afraid of the mud. The Lord comes close to us and is not afraid of the consequences: ultimately for him, the crucifixion. There is no other way to come close to others than entering that person's world and sharing in the beauty and the mess of that person's life. Some people need help, a word of encouragement, a companion in the journey. My invitation this Sunday is that we may not fear the mud and grasp the other person's hand to help them up. Jesus does the same for us every time we allow him to draw near. May we always help others to walk the path of life. God bless.

**Ash Wednesday Masses with distribution of ashes:** 9:15 a.m. school/parish  
12:05 parish 6:30 p.m. parish

#### **KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION:**

St. Joseph School is continuing to accept Kindergarten registrations. Any questions or inquiries can be forwarded through the main office @ 705-652-3961. Please invite neighbors with children who may be eligible to register at the school to connect with us at St. Joseph CES, Douro.

An angel says... Train your mind to hear what God is whispering, not what the enemy is shouting.



**WORK CONTINUES** on the Accessible Washroom. The church bathroom will not be available during this period of construction. Sorry for the inconvenience.

**CWL** memberships dues are \$30.00 for this year, thanks everyone for your patience. The membership should be completed by the end of February. Please put your envelopes in Sunday basket or drop off at Rectory. Also, for your convenience, we now have e-transfer, thanks to Barb Meade. E-transfer to [cwldouro@outlook.com](mailto:cwldouro@outlook.com). Thanks everyone Annette



**QUILTING** in the hall Monday & Tuesday **February 12/13**. All are welcome, bring your thimble; lunch provided.



#### **Things for Family and Individuals one can do during Lent!**

**Prayer:** Jesus told his followers "to pray always without becoming weary" (Luke 18:1). Ask yourself and your child, how can we make time each day to pray as a family? It can be reading from the Children's Bible every night, reading about the lives of Saints, or praying for a different person each day.

**Fasting:** Fasting can help us exercise self-control and discipline ourselves. It can be food, habits, or anything that can distract us from our relationship with God and others. What can your family eliminate or take out of your daily life so that you can better live for God and others?

**Almsgiving:** Serving others is an important way to help children live out their faith and to see Christ in others. What can your family give or do to help others in need? Encourage your child to donate part of their allowance to help local Food Banks, Shelters or other organizations that help others.

**2024 PASCHAL CANDLE** If you would like to sponsor this year's paschal candle in memory of a loved one, please contact the Rectory for details. (it is the Larg Candle that we bless at the Eater Vigil. It burns during Easter Season and at Funerals and Baptisms. It symbolizes the Light of Christ among us.

**VISIT OUR PARISH WEBSITE!!** Log on at <https://stjosephsdouro.com> Our parish website is a great resource! On the Home page, you can find links to Diocese of Peterborough and resources for prayer, as well as other faith-related items.

**TAX RECIEPTS are ready at the back of the church. Please get yours as soon as possible**

**Parish Stewardship**  
Feb 4, \$2,243 including \$834 of pre-authorized offering  
*We thank you for your continued support of our Parish!*

**THE CWL AND K of C** are planning a Trunk & Table sale for June 8. \$20.00 per table. For more info call Barb Vollering 705-652-8990. Start collecting your salable items.