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God gave me all of you.
I am very happy that I have such a wonderful family.

Happy Family Day!



Bishop: Most. Rev. Daniel Miehm
Mass Times: Sat 5 pm, Sun 10 am
Admin. Assistant: Maryann Clancy
Office Hours: Tues & Thurs 9am - 4pm
Knights of Col.: Ray Johnston
CWL: Margaret Morrissey
Hall Rental: Contact Parish Office

Marriage: By arrangement (min. 6 months prior)
Baptism: By arrangement with the Parish Office
Reconciliation: Sat 4:00—4:30 pm or by appointment
Home Communion: Anytime upon request
Music Ministry: Tina McCarthy & Amy Melanson
Cemetery Board: Bob Condon 705-772-6071
Diocese Website: www.peterboroughdiocese.org
St. Joseph's School: Principal: Mark Collins 705-652-3961

WELCOME TO ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH

February 17, 18 First Sunday of LENT.



"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 First Sunday of LENT! 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 20 8:30 am** † Neil Allen by the Allen Family
- Wednesday Feb 21 8:30 am** Int. of Edmund Scott by Carol Brewer
- Thursday Feb 22 6:30 pm** † Fergus O'Brien by Bernard Sullivan
- Friday Feb 23 8:30 am** Laverne LeMoire by Paul & Marg Yasyszczuk
- Saturday Feb 24 5:00 pm** † Cassie Meade by Pauline & Gerald Heffernan
- † Elaine Killen by Don & Loretta Thurston
- Sunday Feb 25 10:00 am** People of the Parish

We are currently booking masses in March.

Please watch the bulletin for changes in weekday mass times due to unforeseen circumstances.

LECTORS	SAT – 5:00 PM	SUN –10:00 AM
Feb 17, 18	Gerard Sullivan	Margie Morrissey
Feb 24, 25	Kelly Towns	Brian Moloney
EUCCHARIST		
Feb 17, 18	Wendy Tedford	Margie Morrissey
Feb 24, 25	Rosemary Towns	Loretto Coones
USHERS		
Feb 17, 18	Barry Condon	Paul Yasyszczuk
Feb 24, 25	Gerald Heffernan	Mike Moloney
CLEANERS		
Week of Feb 19	Jean Heffernan	Rosemary Towns
Week of Feb 26	Dorothy Perdue	Bernice Heffernan

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 17-23 FOR COLETTE MOHER BY SHELLEY RYAN & FAMILY

THE ST. JOSEPH CANDLE IS LIGHTED FEB 17-23 FOR JERRY RYAN BY SHELLEY RYAN & FAMILY.

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.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS will be meeting on Tuesday Feb 20 at 7:00 pm in the hall. We look forward to seeing all the Knights there.

Holy Eucharist: DID YOU KNOW?

Bishop Robert Barron states that when we receive the Holy Eucharist, "We are infused with the Divine Life of Christ." Our worthy reception of Holy Communion has a tremendous effect upon our souls. In the sacrament of Baptism, we become children of God. In the sacrament of the Eucharist, we are filled with the life of God, which is sanctifying grace. By this means we are deified and are made holy children of God.

Reflection: The depth of the grace that we receive in this sacrament is dependent upon us. How focused are we in our prayer after the reception of Holy Communion? The amount of grace that we receive depends upon our openness to Jesus, who is truly present within us.

Message from Fr. Randy



My sisters and brothers in Christ. Ash Wednesday began the season of Lent.

Many came to celebrate Mass and receive ashes. As the sign of the cross was made on our foreheads we heard the words—Turn away from sin and be faithful to the Gospel. Lent is the time for us to reflect in a special way about our relationship with God and with others. What are the areas of sin that we need to eliminate? Lent is also a time for us to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation. We come to the Lord with a penitent and contrite heart.

Our first reading speaks about a covenant which will dominate our first readings every week during Lent. A covenant was a serious commitment or promise two parties made to each other. It defined the relationship and the expectations they had of one another. As Catholics we speak about the marriage covenant. When God chose to enter into a relationship with his people, he made a covenant with them. Today we hear about the covenant God made with Noah and with all of creation after the great flood.

St Peter, in the second reading, tells us the covenant God made with Noah and his family. This covenant prefigured baptism which is God's pledge to us of salvation and eternal life. May this season of Lent be a time of healing and reconciliation among all people and especially in areas of war and devastation. God bless you.

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.

Lenten Smile

Why did the comedian give up knock-knock jokes for Lent? *They realized it was time to "knock it off" for a while.*

How do bakers observe Lent? *They knead their own reflection time.*

Why can't robbers catch Catholics during Lent? *They fast.*

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. Please put your envelopes in Sunday basket or drop off at Rectory. we now have e-transfer, thanks to Barb Meade. E-transfer to cwldouro@outlook.com. Thanks everyone, Annette



QUILTING in the hall Monday & Tuesday **February 26/27**. All are welcome, bring your thimble; lunch provided.



THE CATHEDRAL is hosting a city-wide Lenten Mission entitled "Our Pledge of Future Glory" presented by Fr. Juan Diego Sutherland and Fr. Luke Joseph Leighton of the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal. The mission will be offered at 11:00am and at 7:00pm each of the three days - pick the time each day that works with your schedule! The Mission will run Monday, March 11th - Wednesday, March 13th. Admission is free but free will offerings are greatly appreciated. The mission will also be live-streamed each day. See posters for further details.

Parish Stewardship

Feb 11, \$2,398 including \$834 of pre-authorized offering
We thank you for your continued support of our Parish!

THE CWL AND K of C have cancelled the plans for the June garage sale.

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