**Second Sunday of Lent** *March 16-22*

*Let us bring* ***HOPE*** *to spouses, in their mission to love and Foster new Life.*

*MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK*

*Monday* **March 17 8:30 a.m.**

**+Irish Immigrants Settlers (Peter Robinson 1825)**

**Tuesday** **March 18**  8:30 a.m.

Sp. Int. for a Parishioner by a Friend

**Wednesday March 19** 8:30 a.m.

Intentions of the Parishioners by Fr. Randy

**Thursday March 20** 12 (noon)

+ Bob Allen by Michael & Rosemary Towns Family

**Friday March 14 5:30 p.m.**

Following mass Stations of the Cross

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**Saturday Vigil March 22** 5p.m.

+Bob Allen by Bernard Sullivan family

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**Sunday March 23**10 a.m.

 +Jim 0”Grady by

*+Nora Sweeney & +Jack Holland by Bob Hartwick*

**25th Anniversary Service to the Lord**

On behalf of Bishop Meihm, myself and the parishioners of St. Joeseph Parish-**congratulations Deacon Paul** on your 25th Anniversary of Ordination of Decanoate (March 19th).

Thank you for answering God’s call and your service to our faith community. Fr. Randy

(Join Paul at the Parish Hall following mass for a light reception.)

**Solemnity of St. Joseph’s Husband of Mary\**

**"Hail, guardian of the Redeemer, spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man. Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen.** *Prayer from Pope Francis' apostolic letter "With a Father's Heart".*

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St. Joseph K. Of C. Meetings: 3rd Tuesday of the month 7:00 pm

St. Joseph CWL Meetings: First Tuesday of the month 1:00 pm

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**Parish Information**

**Mass Times**

*Weekday*

Tues/Wed/Fri. 8:30AM / Thurs. 12noon

*(Rosary Recited before these masses)*

*Weekend*

Sat. 5:00PM / Sun. 10:00AM

***Office Hours***

Tues. & Thurs. 10 am to 3:30 pm

***Parish & Community Groups***

C.W.L. / Annette Dunford

K. of C. / Ray Johnston

*Music Ministry* /

Tina McCarthy & Amy Melanson

*Cemetery Board* /

Bob Condon 705-772-6071

*Hall Rental* / Contact Parish Office

***St. Joseph’s School*** */* 705-652-3961,

Principal, Wayne Clarke

***Reception of Sacraments***

Marriage / arrange min. 6 months prior

Baptism / call parish office

Reconciliation / Sat. 4PM-4:30PM

Home Communion upon request.

**Bishop of Diocese of Peterborough:**

**Most Rev. Daniel Miehm**

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**Pope Francis March Intentions**

**For families in crisis** Let us pray that broken families might discover the cure for their wounds through forgiveness, rediscovering each other’s gifts, even in the their differences.

**Celtic Square Dance Evening**

March 22, 2025 @ 8p.m. St. Joseph’s Parish Hall Douro 299 Country Rd 8

Admission $15 ( children 12 and under free) Instructions for those interested at 7:30 pm

**Pilgrim of Hope—Traveling Statue of St. Joseph**

Week of: **March 16-23 Marian & Jim Coughlin \* Patricia Leahy**

**Parish Stewardship Collection—past week**

Your generously gave **$1230.00** our love for your parish community is in keeping with your forefathers and foremothers hard work and service that continues to build this parish. Today, you help to keep it alive and thriving through your time, talents and donations. God Bless and Thank you Fr. Randy

***“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.To our visitors, you may 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. Peace and Good Will.

**Liturgical Ministry**

 **Sat. 5:00pm mass Sun. 10:00am mass**

**Lector**

March 15.16 Kelly Towns Brian Moloney

March 22,23 Gerard Sullivan Joanne Armstrong

**Eucharistic Minister**

March 15.16 Dcn Paul Dunford Dcn Paul Dunford

March 22,23 Wendy Tedford Joanne Armstrong

**Ushers**

March 15.16 Barry Condon Jim Holland

March 22,23 Gerald Heffernan Mike Moloney

**Cleaners**

Week of March 17 Jean Heffernan & Rosemay Towns

Week of March 24 Dorthy Perdue & Bernice Heffernan

**Counters**

March 18 Daryl Fitzgerald, Dorthy Perdue, Carrie Conroy

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**Praying for and with our Loved Ones**

Let us remember in our prayers those who have recently died especially and those who remain in the silence of our hearts. We also keep in prayer those in Nursing Homes, Retirements Residence or are shut-in/hospitalized. In special way, let us pray for the health and well being of: **Jonathan Noyce, Maryann Clancy, Paul Yasyszczuk, Kevin Sullivan**,  **Dorothy Minnema Martin, Marcella Pecoskie, Sally Scott**

(Persons on the above list will be listed for 3months, if further prayers are needed, or to add/remove someone from the list, please contact the office.

**Looking Ahead to Parish Meetings & Community Events**

**March 18**  K of C Meeting 7pm Parish Hall

Stations of the Cross prayed Friday following 5:30p.m mass

**Quilting** March 24 & 25 all welcome to quilt

**March 24, 2025** at St. Joseph's Parish Hall at 11:30 Please join us for a luncheon in appreciation of our past and current quilters as well as those behind the scenes, who have contribute their time and talents in support of our parish community. None of this would be possible without your support.

Add a stitch to a quilt or simply spend time and enjoy Fellowship.

Reword if you like...

Thanks again

Annette Dunford

**Note of thanks:**

**The Allen family** wish to express our heartfelt thanks for the many overwhelming tributes of love and care for Bob. To our many friends and families in our community thank you for your support during Bob’s wake and funeral, generous offerings of food, flowers, Masses, donations to PRHC and Douro KnightsColumbus.

Thank you to Fr. Randy for his comfort, support, and celebration of a personal and meaningful Mass. Thank you to Deacon Paul for his prayers at the graveyard. The presence of Fr. Bill Maloney and Fr. Leahy was appreciated. To Maria, Nancy, Kathy and Albert for their beautiful and touching music. To the Catholic Women’s League for their work in the lovely presentation of a delicious luncheon.Sincerely, Suzanne and family.

*With love he is remembered. In memory he lives in our hearts*

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**From Maryann Clancy Note of thanks**: I would like to sincerely thank the good people of Douro, especially K of C 11486 for their kindness in offering the breakfast fundraiser last Sunday. I am overwhelmed by your thoughtfulness and generosity. Thanks to Jesus, St. Joseph and the doctors here at Princess Margaret, I am past the worst of the treatments with the cancer gone and the long road to recovery underway. Yours in Christ, Maryann

**Last days of Winter - March 21 Springs begins**

**Creed.** Now we stand and together recite the creed. The creed is more than a list of things which we believe. It is a statement of our faith in the word we have heard proclaimed in the Scripture and the homily, and a profession of the faith that leads us to give our lives for one another as Christ gave his life for us.

**Universal Prayer.** The Liturgy of the Word (our “storytelling” part of the Mass) comes to an end with the intercessions. The intercessions help us become who God is calling us to be. We are the Body of Christ by Baptism. Now, as we prepare to approach the table for Eucharist, we look into the readings, like a mirror, and ask: Is that who we are? Does the Body of Christ present in this assembly resemble that Body of Christ pictured in the Scripture readings? Usually not! And so we make some adjustments; we pray that our assembly really comes to look like the Body of Christ, a body at peace, with shelter for the homeless, healing for the sick, food for the hungry.

We pray for the Church, nations and their leaders, people in special need and the local needs of our parish—the petitions usually fall into these four categories. A minister will announce the petitions, and we are usually given an opportunity to pray for the intentions in our heart, making some common response aloud like, “Lord, hear our prayer.”

**Candle Lite for this Week**

Candle at **Bless Mother Mary’s** statueburns this week for: Sp. Int. Marian Clancy & family by friends

Candle at **St. Joseph**  statue burns this week for: Special Intentions Fr. Randy by friends