



THIS WEEKEND
Saturday March 2nd
4 pm Pro Populo

Sunday March 3rd
9 am + T. Piotrowski &
 + D. Ogonowska
11 am + N. Braga



Pastors' CORNER As we continue through Lent, we re-learn the spiritual basics in the Ten Commandments. Consider the first, to “have no other gods besides me.” This is our “grip.” Is our connection to God one of absolute fidelity and exclusive worship? Am I willing to let go of my precious idols, the things I cling to instead of God? Once we say “yes” to this fundamental question of our spiritual “grip,” then we are ready to properly engage with everything else in life. Watch how beautifully the game of life unfolds in the next nine commandments (numbered in parentheses): how we speak to God and others (2 and 8), how we organize our week (3), how we relate to our family (4) and the wider community (5 and 7), how we live our sexuality (6), and how we order all the other desires of the human heart (9 and 10). But don’t rush to these later Commandments too soon! Everything in life is

built on the first Commandment. The more we focus on worshipping God alone, the better we navigate the complexity of life with panache, effectiveness, and love.

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SEASON OF LENT

For some, Lent can be dreary and harsh but it also can be beautiful and invigorating, preparing us for Easter. We have a choice. May we choose to make the season of Lent an opportunity to grow closer with our resurrected Lord and with our communities of faith.

DAY OF CONFESSION

Throughout the Archdiocese of Toronto we have the opportunity to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation. In the coming weeks, let us make the journey into the heart of our relationship with God. Take a long, loving look at the ways God calls us to grow. Confession guides for adults and youths are available at the back of the church. Once again there will be a visiting priest from a neighboring parish available. In our parish, **On Saturday March 16th**, the schedule for confessions is as follows; **at St. Joseph’s Church;**

- **11am ~ 1pm**
- **3 pm ~ 4 pm**
- **or by appointment**

SHARELIFE CAMPAIGN 2024

Live the Gospel by supporting ShareLife! The first **ShareLife Sunday is March 17th**. Our parish goal for this year’s campaign is \$7,800.00. Over the next few weeks, consider your ability to help your

brothers and sisters in Christ, and make a contribution to our annual appeal. With your support, we can reach our goal.

PARISH COMMUNITY
SACRAMENTS

Confirmation: The next class will be Wednesday March 6th @ 4:30 pm in the hall.

First Holy Communion: The next class will be Sunday March 10th after Mass. Please meet downstairs in the hall.

Please keep all our Candidates, Families and the Preparation Teams in our prayers.



Join us for **The Stations of the Cross** devotion on Friday evenings after the 6:00 pm Mass.

Note: Friday morning Mass is suspended during Lent ~ Mass is in the evening at 6:00 pm.

FEAST OF ST. JOSEPH

The Ladies of the Parish invite all parishioners to a reception to celebrate the Feast of St. Joseph (March 19th), who is our Patron Saint and also the Patron Saint for the Canadian Church. We will gather after Mass on Sunday March 17th in the hall. All are invited for cake and refreshments.

EASTER FOOD DRIVE

Parishioners are invited to bring non-perishable food items to church through Lent, **especially on Maundy Thursday**

March 28th, 2024. Basket is located by the ramp door.

MASS INTENTIONS

** living or + deceased.

March	Time	Mass for
Tuesday 5 th	6:00 pm	** Good health of Natty
Wed. 6 th	6:00 pm	+ Rev. Sisters & Family Souls
Thurs. 7 th	9:15 am	** Holy Family Catholic School
Friday 8 th	6:00 pm	** Good health of the Maier Family
Saturday 9 th	4:00 pm	Pro Populo
Sunday 10 th	9:00 am	+ Fern Gosselin
	11:00 am	+ Conchita Lacuata

PRAYERS REQUESTED FOR THOSE IN NEED OF HEALING

Jean Adams, Colleen Andrews, Irene Cantwell, Colette Bryson, Barry Giblin, Donna Giblin, Sandra Hopkins, Irene Karek, John Kearsley, Richard Kloefer, Brock MacDonald, Ralph Slaney, Rosemary Thompros, Kathryn Werden, Marie Vandenberg & all the sick of the parish.

DONATIONS TO YOUR PARISH

Building Fund \$ 65.00
 Sunday Envelopes 1,465.00
 & Loose

Thank you for your kind & generous donation!

Please remember your Parish in your Will or Estate Plan