



February

4 & 5 Fundscrip forms are available this weekend.

5 Coffee Sunday – Please bring a dessert to share.

11 & 12 Fundscrip forms due.

12 Knowing Jesus – see inside for details.

18 Vocation and Virtue series continues with **Sacrifice, Making the Other Holy**, 10:30 am in the parish hall.

28 Shrove Tuesday – Pancake Supper, from 5:30 to 7:30 pm. Details to follow.

March

1 Ash Wednesday Mass schedule – 8:30 am & 7pm.

Parish Retreat begins – see inside for details.

Holy Father's Prayer Intention for February

Comfort for the Afflicted:

That all those who are afflicted, especially the poor, refugees, and marginalized, may find welcome and comfort in our communities.



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LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Sunday Mass:

Saturday (vigil) 5:00 pm
Sunday 10:00 am

Weekday Mass:

Tuesday – Wednesday 7:00 pm
Thursday – Friday 8:30 am

Reconciliation: Saturday 4:30-4:45 pm;
Sunday 9:30-9:45 am, or anytime on request.

BAPTISM

It is necessary to arrange an appointment with Fr. Robert for preparation. Baptisms are scheduled on the third Sunday of the month at noon.

MARRIAGE

Please contact the parish before setting the wedding date.

VISITING THE SICK

Please contact Fr. Robert if you or a family member is homebound or in the hospital. He will gladly visit.

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2017: Winston Redman, John T. Sullivan;
2018: Emidio De Carolis, Scot Diamond;
2019: Anthony Mancini, Lori-Ann Zemanovich.

PREPARING FOR HOLY WEEK: Lent is just around the corner (Ash Wednesday is March 1st) ! Here are four ways to allow Jesus into our hearts more:

2

VOCATION AND VIRTUE SERIES CONTINUES:




During our last workshop, Father Robert described **sacrifice as making the other holy**. Join us **Saturday February 18 at 10:30 am** as we discuss how this positive twist on sacrifice can change the way we live the upcoming season of Lent.

We have been receiving a lot of positive feedback with regards these sessions. No sharing required – listeners welcome! Sessions last about 45 minutes.

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BREAKING OPEN THE WORD: Join us next **Sunday February 12** after Mass as we discuss the following Sunday’s Gospel reading. Attendance at previous sessions is not required. All are welcome, adults, youth and children. Sharing is not required!



COFFEE SUNDAY: Join us after Mass this Sunday February 5 in the parish hall for coffee and fellowship. **Please bring something to share.** Please let us know if you can help prepare the coffee before Mass or help clean up afterwards.



1

TAKE ST JOSEPH HOME!

As part of this year’s vocation theme, we invite parishioners to pray for vocations in their home with a small statue of St. Joseph, provided by the parish. Sign-up sheets are available at the back of the church. **Please begin praying today:**


PRAYER TO SAINT JOSEPH TO KNOW ONE’S VOCATION

O Great Saint Joseph, you were completely obedient to the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Obtain for me the grace to know the state of life that God in His providence has chosen for me. Since my happiness on earth, and perhaps even my final happiness in heaven, depends on this choice, let me not be deceived in making it.

Obtain for me the light to know God’s Will, to carry it out faithfully, and to choose the vocation which will lead me to a happy eternity.

3

Parish Lenten Retreat



Wouldn’t it be great if you could attend a retreat for a few minutes a day in the comfort of your own home? The Parish Lenten retreat is exactly that:

a retreat that takes place mostly at your own home.. Over the six weeks of Lent, participants will be paired up with a trained prayer companion. At a time that fits your busy schedule, you will meet once a week. What you two talk about is entirely up to you. The point of the conversations is to bring you into a conversation with God, to invite you to pray and reflect, be it on important decision, or personal suffering, or relationships, etc. For more information, please contact Mary. To register, please sign-up at the back of the church or contact the office.

THIS WEEK’S OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday, 9 am to 12 pm
Friday, 9 am to 4 pm

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Mondays - No Mass
Tuesdays – 7 pm
Wednesdays – 7 pm
Thursdays – 8:30 am
Fridays - 8:30 am



Saturday February 4, 2017 – Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00 pm Pro Populo

Sunday February 5, 2017 – Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
10:00 am The deceased members of the Harb family
Requested by Jeanette Harb

Tuesday February 7, 2017
7:00 pm Coleman & McMenamin
Requested by the Estate


Wednesday February 8, 2017
7:00 pm Gaetano Martinez
Requested by the Ianuziello family

Thursday February 9, 2017
8:30 am Evelyn McMenamin
Requested by the Estate

Friday February 10, 2017 – Saint Scholastica
8:30 am Coleman & McMenamin
Requested by the Estate

Saturday February 11, 2017 – Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00 pm Pro Populo

Sunday February 12, 2017 – Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
10:00 am Thérèse Maroun & Souad Azar
Requested by Jeanette Harb



The Sanctuary Lamp signals the Presence of the Lord Jesus in the Tabernacle and burns for seven days. We invite you to have the Sanctuary Lamp memorialized in the name of a sick person, a deceased loved one, or a special intention for a donation of \$20.00. Please contact the office to arrange a memorial for the Sanctuary Lamp.

This week the Sanctuary Lamp burns in thanksgiving, as requested by Roxan Nunag

Theme: We are all called to be children of the light.

Breaking Open the Word: Suggested text: Today’s Gospel: Mt. 5: 13-16.

Step One: Listen to the Word
What images do the words Light and Salt create in your mind’s eye? When you hear and imagine those things, do you use your eyes and your taste buds when you hear them?

Step Two: Look into your Life
Question for Children: What can you do to bring the light of Jesus into the lives of your family, friends, and people you meet?
Question for Youth: How do you feel when Jesus says that YOU are the salt of the earth and that YOU are called to be the light for others?
Question for Adults: What specific efforts do you take to maintain your light? Do you let your light dim? Why?

PRAYERS:

For the sick: Jean-Pierre Belair, André and Marie Coupal, Patricia Paul, Nevine, Jacques Viau, Judith and Marina Zogalis.

For those who have died: Gaetano Martinez, Noé Miranda.

For the recently baptized: Emilie Gagnon-Dudek.

For vocations: We are called to be light in the world. Put your lamp on a stand and not under a bushel basket! Let your light shine before all so that they may see the goodness in your acts and give praise to God. Consider the priesthood or religious life. (Mt. 5:13-16)

STEWARDSHIP:

Our collection last week was for \$2,035. Thank you for your offerings in support of our parish as a place of Christian worship, instruction and mission.

“Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.”
Matthew 5:16

The generosity of being a good steward of your gifts has a positive effect on people and it is contagious! Good works encourages more good works. Let your light shine! Be careful to recognize that God is working through you and don’t put yourself above the people you have been called to help.