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Sunday, February 28

10:30 a.m. † Cherry Greene by Geraldine Faour.

For the intentions of the Handmaids of the Lord.

Tuesday, March 2

9:00 a.m. ----

Wednesday, March 3

(Private Mass) † Souls in Purgatory.

Thursday, March 4

9:00 a.m. -----

Saturday, March 5

4:30 p.m. † Henry Hudon by his niece.

PLEASE REMEMBER THE SICK IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Nickie Shaw, Patricia McNamara, Norbert Dacquay, Raechal McIntyre, Marcelo Pimentel, Moli Coletti, Zygmunt Wysocki and Melchisedec Candido.

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION

Universal: Sacrament of Reconciliation ~ Let us pray that we may experience the sacrament of reconciliation with renewed depth, to taste the infinite mercy of God.

READINGS (Year B):

Sunday, February 28

(Second Sunday of Lent)

First Reading: Genesis 22.1-2, 9-13, 15-18 *The sacrifice of Abraham, our father in faith.* **Second Reading:** Romans 8.31b-35, 37++

God did not withhold his own Son.

Gospel: Mark 9.2-10

This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him.

Tuesday, March 2

First Reading: Isaiah 1.10, 16-20, 27-28, 31++

Learn to do good; seek justice. **Gospel**: Matthew 23.1-12

The scribes and Pharisees do not practice what they teach.

Thursday, March 4

First Reading: Jeremiah 17.5-10

Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals; blessed are those who trust in the Lord.

Gospel: Luke 16.19-31

You received your good things, and Lazarus evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony.

Saturday, March 6

(Third Sunday of Lent)

First Reading: Exodus 20.1-17 *The Law was given through Moses.*

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1.18, 22-25++

We proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to some,

but to those who are called, the wisdom of God.

Gospel: John 2.13-25

Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.



2020 INCOME TAX RECEIPTS

Income Tax receipts can be obtained by placing a stamped, self-addressed envelope in the collection basket. Please write your 2020 box # on the envelope. If you would prefer, you can call the office to make arrangements to pick up your receipt.

2021 PARISH ENVELOPES

2021 parish envelopes are available in the parish office for anyone who has not picked up a box and wants to continue to use them.

Everyone is strongly encouraged to send e-Transfers or sign up for pre-authorized donations. You will find a form on our website (sttheresaottawa@rogers.com) that, when completed will allow the parish to either make automatic withdrawals from your bank account or charge your credit card.

Parishioners who send e-Transfers or sign up for preauthorized donations **do not need** a box of envelopes.

Thank you for your continued support.

EXPANSION OF "MEDICAL ASSISTANCE IN DYING" (MAID) POSES DANGER TO THE DISABLED AND MENTALLY ILL

The Senate has amended Bill C-7. If these amendments pass the House of Commons, it will make it much easier for vulnerable Canadians to access assisted suicide and euthanasia putting them at increased risk.

The amendments are:

- 1. Allowing people to write advance directives that require euthanasia to be administered if they are sick or disabled and lose the ability to make their own medical decisions.
- 2. Removing the restriction on euthanasia for people whose primary diagnosis is mental illness.

This change will automatically take place 18 months after the Bill is passed. The Senate's amendments will soon be sent back to the House of Commons for approval.

Please register your concern to your Member of Parliament by using the following link from the Coalition for HealthCARE Conscience: canadiansforconscience.ca

IMPORTANT SCAM ALERT!!

Some parish members have reported receiving email from Fr. Vincent asking them to assist in helping someone with a money transfer or in making a gift. Please be advised that Fr. Vincent does **not** solicit any requests for financial help using email. Any such message received should be treated as suspect and deleted. Do not respond to the sender or open any links contained in the email.

KofC - BECOME A MEMBER!

If you're interested in helping those in need, serving our parish, growing in faith and obtaining exclusive access to top-rated insurance protection for your family, then the Knights of Columbus is the organization for you. Please consider joining our Council 16005. Membership Dues are free until **June 30, 2021**. For info, contact Roger Richard (613-277-5423); (roger-richard@rogers.com) or (www.ontariokofc.ca/Join-us (indicate Council16005)).

SHARE LOVE, SHARE LENT: (RE)DISCOVER DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE

The Share Love, Share Lent Campaign inspired by Pope Francis' encyclical Fratelli Tutti, calls for a love that transcends all boundaries. This week we look at what our solidarity means to the Rohingya refugees and their host communities in Bangladesh. Please take some time to look at the website (devp.org/lent) and let the many resources inspire you.

JOSEPH, THE STRENGTH AND TENDERNESS OF THE FATHER

COVID-19 has disrupted our lives and destroyed thousands of human lives. The important thing in these critical moments is not to let doubt and discouragement overtake, because the Lord, the God of tenderness and goodness, is attached to us more than we can imagine. To help us fully live this tenderness in us and around us, the Saint Joseph's Oratory of Montreal has chosen its theme for the year 2021: "Joseph, Strength and Tenderness of the Father".

Truly, through the life of St. Joseph, it is always the Heart of God that is revealed. St. Joseph reveals it to us by his life, by his actions, by his attitudes, by his way of being, by his availability, by his attentive presence at the side of the Virgin Mary and of Jesus. He is the model of the good man and always responded to the will of God (Matthew 1, 19-23).

FROM THE CCCB

New Video Series for Lent 2021: Journey through Lent offers an introduction to the Season and reflections on Gospel readings of each Sunday in Lent. The French series were filmed here in Notre Dame Cathedral of Ottawa. To access the video series on the CCCB website: in English and in French. Each Monday, the link for the upcoming Sunday celebration will be released. Further info: Mrs. Margaret Shea-Lawrence, at m.shea-lawrence@cccb.ca

"The Eucharist is the secret of my day. It gives strength and meaning to all my activities of service to the Church and to the world."

Saint John Paul II