

ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISHES of

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA (Hungarian) 371 Burnell St.
OUR LADY OF LOURDES (Slovenian) 95 MacDonald Ave.

3rd Sunday of Lent

March 19, 2017

*O that today you would listen
to the voice of the Lord.*

Do not harden your hearts!

[Psalm 5:7c+8a]

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Sacrament of Penance (Confessions): Before the Weekday or Saturday PM Mass or upon request. *Sacrament of Baptism:* pre-arrangement in time to allow for preparation. *Marriage arrangements:* Please contact the Parish Office at least 6 months in advance.



*The water that I will give will become a spring of water
gushing up to eternal life.* [John 4:14]

Jesus and the Samaritan woman

After the conversation, the Samaritan woman becomes a disciple. Even though she is an outcast and not a Jew, she returns to her town to lead others to Jesus and to wonder whether she has found the Messiah. The Samaritan townspeople return with her to meet Jesus for themselves, and many are said to come to believe in him.

The significance of the encounter between Jesus and the Samaritan woman has many levels. *The first is personal:* The woman is herself converted to belief in Jesus as Messiah because he knows her sin but speaks with her just the same. *The second is social:* Having come to know Jesus as the Messiah, the Samaritan woman becomes an evangelist to her own people. *The third level of the story is educational:* Jesus uses his encounter with the Samaritan woman to teach his disciples that **God's mercy is without limit**. The disciples return from their shopping quite confused to find Jesus talking with a Samaritan, and a woman at that! But the conversion of the Samaritan townspeople is a foretaste of the kind of open community that will be created among those who believe that Jesus is the Messiah.

<http://www.loyolapress.com/our-catholic-faith/liturgical-year/sunday-connection>

Readings

Third Sunday of Lent, Year A, 19 March 2017

Reading 1: Exodus 17.3-7; Psalm 95.1-2, 6-7ab, 7c-9 [R.7c+8a]

Reading 2: Romans 5.1-2, 5-8; Gospel: John 4.5-42

Prayer: *God of life, you softened your heart to us in choosing a life like ours. Even in the face of crucifixion, you opened your arms to save our lives. Help us keep our hearts and arms open when we have doubts and when life's challenges tempt us to withdraw and protect ourselves. Draw us into trust in you. Amen.*

ccb.ca/life_and_family

CCCB: National Pastoral Initiative for Life & the Family

Catechism of the Catholic Church

CCC Paragraph **694: Water.** The symbolism of water signifies the Holy Spirit's action in Baptism, since after the invocation of the Holy Spirit it becomes the efficacious sacramental sign of new birth: just as the gestation of our first birth took place in water, so the water of Baptism truly signifies that our birth into the divine life is given to us in the Holy Spirit. As "*by one Spirit we were all baptized,*" so we are also "*made to drink of one Spirit.*" [1 Corinthians 12:13]. Thus the Spirit is also personally the living water welling up from Christ crucified [John 19:34; 1 John 5:8] as its source and welling up in us to eternal life. [John 4:10-14; 7:38; Exodus 17:1-6].



Meme of the week: Jesus and the Samaritan woman. [John 4]. <http://www.bigccatholics.com/> ↑

Events in and around the Archdiocese

STAR stands for **Strategies for Trauma Awareness and Resilience.** This overnight program is a research-based approach to addressing trauma and building resilience for individuals and organizations in our trauma-impacted world. March 24-25. Commuter \$80 or live in \$126/\$116.

St. Benedict's Monastery and Retreat Centre, 225 Masters Ave., Wpg, (204) 338-4601.

Theology On Tap – Spring Series. All young adults (18+) are invited to the spring series of *Theology On Tap.* Join us for a time of fun, food, fellowship and faith! Dates: March 21, April 18, May 9. Venue: Johnny G's, 177 McDermot Avenue, street parking/parkade across from the restaurant. Time: food and fellowship at 7:30 PM, talk at 8:00 PM. Questions? Contact the OYYAM at (204) 452 – 2227 ext. 228 or youth@archwinnipeg.ca.

March T on T: The speaker for the March T on T is Judith Vasquez, the Archdiocese of Winnipeg's Director of Catechetics and Faith Formation. She will talk about "*True Femininity in the life and example of the Blessed Mother Mary.*" All are welcome!

Easter / Paschal Triduum, or The Three Days:

Holy Thursday,	April 13,	6:30pm-OL;	8pm - SA.
Good Friday,	April 14,	2pm - SA;	4pm - OL.
Easter Vigil Saturday,	April 15,	6pm OL;	8pm - SA.
Easter Sunday,	April 16,	9:30am OL;	11am - SA.

OUR LADY OF LOURDES

95 MacDonald Avenue
P.O. Box 2015 Station Main
Winnipeg, Manitoba R3C 3R3

OL Collections March 12, 2017

Sun Env - \$; SGG - \$

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Mar 19 Sun 9:30 am (S) Slovenian; (E) English; (Euc) Eucharist
TBD [to be determined]

The Parish Council is looking to fill two vacant positions. We are seeking energetic individuals who can offer fresh, new ideas and can commit to attend monthly meetings between September and June. If you are interested in volunteering or would like more information please speak to any of the parish council members or email ollparishcouncil@gmail.com. Your assistance is needed to support the growth and development of our parish.

Executive Council of CWL: On March 26, 2017, following 9:30 Mass Sr. Lesley Sacouman, director of Holy Names House of Peace, will be our guest speaker. House of Peace provides shelter and counseling services to women in transition. Let us give her a warm welcome.

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA

Sat 5:30 pm

Mar 18 Antonio Alcantara (1); Rosita Salinas (2)
D'Andre de Leon & Anna Ahyong (PF)

Sun 11:00 am (H) Hungarian; (E) English

Mar 19 Elizabeth Premecz (H); Giselle Koncz (E)

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SGG - \$; Easter Flowers - \$

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Hirdetés. Március 19-én, vasárnap a szentmise után rövid előadás keretében megemlékezünk az 1848-as forradalom és szabadságharcról, azt követően finom ebédet szolgálunk fel. Jegyek ára felnőtteknek 15 dollár, gyerekeknek (12 éven alul) 7 dollár.

Kaphatók Horváth Erzsineél ([204-697-2158](tel:204-697-2158)) és Prémecz Erzsineél ([204-254-4329](tel:204-254-4329))

Announcement. On Sunday, March 19th right after the mass there will be a short program commemorating the 1848 Revolution of Hungary. This program will be followed by lunch. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$7 for children under 12 years of age.

Available from Elizabeth Horváth and Elizabeth Prémecz.

Catechists' Meeting: with Judith Vasquez, Thursday, March 23, 6-9pm, parish hall.



Central Deanery Lenten Reconciliation Services / Confessions

March 22nd, St. John XXIII Church - 10 am

March 23rd, St. Patrick's Church - 7 pm

Wednesday, March 29th, St. Anthony of Padua Hungarian Church - 7 pm

March 29th, St. Mary's Cathedral - 7 pm

March 30th, St. Paul the Apostle Church - 7 pm

March 31st, St. Edward's Church - 6 pm

April 4th, St. Edward's School - 9:30 am

April 4th, St. Charles' School - 10:30 am

April 4th, Elie, St. Eustache Church - 7 pm

Tuesday, April 4th, Our Lady of Lourdes Slovenian Church - 6:30 pm

April 5th, St. Charles' Church - 7 pm

April 6th, Portage La Prairie, Good Shepherd Church - 7 pm

MASS SCHEDULE AND MASS INTENTIONS

Sat. Mar 18 - **5:30 pm SA** - *Sunday Vigil Mass* RIP Lourdes & Guilhermina, req. by Campos family

Sun. Mar 19 – **9:30 am OL** - RIP Frank & Amalia Sustarsic, req. by Marko & Beneta Simonic

11:00 am SA – RIP Jozsef Bondor & Jozsef Premecz, req. by Premecz family

Mon. Mar 20 - NO MASS

Tues. Mar 21 - 6:00 pm **OL** - RIP Pepca Josi Briznik, req. by Family Remic

Wed Mar 22 - 9:00 am **SA** - Special intentions for Florence, Sophie, Sheila, Carl, Jerry,

Maria del Carmen, Tere & families, req. by Paul & Dolores Mulaire

Thu. Mar 23 - 9:00 am **SA** - RIP Josie Olea, req. by Marcelo Olea & family

Fri. Mar 24 - 6:00pm **OL** - RIP Vinko Stegne, req. by B. Stegne

Sat. Mar 25 - **5:30 pm SA** - *Sunday Vigil Mass* RIP Antonio & Maria Do Carmo, req. by Campos family

Sun. Mar 26 – **9:30 am OL** - RIP Joseph Kosmrlj, req. by Verna Kosmrlj & family

11:00 am SA – RIP Johnny Omega, req. by Armando & Arsenia Omega

OL – *Our Lady of Lourdes Church* **SA** – *Saint Anthony of Padua Church* **RIP - Rest In Peace**

Doubt is a normal part of our faith life, one that calls forth deeper faith.

The Psalmist this week encourages us not to harden our hearts. [Psalm 95]. Moses leads his people through the desert, where thirst makes them doubt God. [Exodus 17]. Jesus meets the woman at the well, and asks her for a drink. Her position outside the Jewish community of faith makes her an unlikely source of water for Jesus – and makes Jesus an unlikely source of healing for her. [John 4].

In the midst of our doubts and trials, Jesus calls to us as He does to her: “*The time is coming and is now here*” when we can worship God in Spirit and Truth. This is our hope, that right in the midst of our doubts and uncertainties God is with us.

We have been promised that “*hope does not disappoint us.*” Our invitation, right in the midst of life’s worst, is not to harden our hearts, but to root ourselves in hope.

God is where our life comes from. When we live this way, we can become a gift to others facing the same losses, grief, or suffering we have walked through.

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Jesus, Mary and Joseph.



<http://fatherbroom.com/wp-content/media/family-x.jpg> ↑

Saint Joseph was a just man, a tireless worker, the upright guardian of those entrusted to his care. May he always guard, protect and enlighten families.

- Pope St. John Paul II [1920-2005].

Our parish bulletin is also available online in the following 2 websites:

1. Archdiocese of Winnipeg website: Please go to: http://www.archwinnipeg.ca/weekly_bulletin.php
2. OLL website: ourladyoflourdeswinnipeg.com and click on "Our Community" then "Weekly Bulletin".