

ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISHES of

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

First Sunday of Lent

March 5, 2017



*Have mercy, O Lord,
for we have sinned*
[Psalm 51:1a+4a]

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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.



Jesus fasted forty days, and was put to the test.

[Matthew 4:1-2]

True Fasting

We disciples of the school of the Gospel have a new and overwhelming reason that calls us to ascetic duty. We are sinners, at least potentially; we must forestall or atone for our faults. We must expiate our shortcomings; we must punish the existing or re nascent disorder in our being devastated by original and actual sin; we need some redeeming penalty.

Finally we have the obligation and the desire to follow in the footsteps of our Master, who said: *"Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me."* [Matthew 16:24]. The imitation of Christ: what a program!

Now we will merely reread to you a quotation from the ancient and great Origen; here it is: *"Do you want me to show you again what fasting you must practice? Fast [that is, abstain] from all sin."* This is the fasting that pleases God.

Pope Paul VI, 4 April 1973

Readings

First Sunday of Lent, Year A, 5 March 2017

Reading 1: Genesis 2.7-9, 16-18, 25; 3.1-7+ +; *Psalm* 51.1-2, 3-4a, 10-11, 12+15 [R.1a+4a]

Reading 2: Romans 5.12-19; *Gospel:* Matthew 4.1-11

Prayer: *God of healing and wholeness, teach us to stop hiding our failures from you. Turn our hearts and our lives toward you, to speak your name in our temptations. May our lives be a path for others to find life rather than death. Amen.* ccb.ca/life_and_family

CCCB: National Pastoral Initiative for Life & the Family

Catechism of the Catholic Church

CCC Paragraph 2847: The Holy Spirit makes us *discern* between trials, which are necessary for the growth of the inner person, and temptation, which leads to sin and death. [Cf. James 1:14-15]. We must also discern between being tempted and consenting to temptation. Finally, discernment unmasks the lie of temptation, whose object appears to be good, a "*delight to the eyes*" and desirable, [Cf. Genesis 3:6] when in reality its fruit is death.



Meme of the week: <http://www.synergykettlebell.com/lent-1/> ↑

Events in and around the Archdiocese

Catechists' Lenten Retreats:

Come & See Catechists Lenten Retreat with Fr. Michael M. Wollbaum, Fri., March 10, 6 pm to 9:30 pm at St. Charles Church, Winnipeg.

For more info contact Judith Vasquez, JVasquez@archwinnipeg.ca or 204-452-2227 ext 243.



True Fasting by Prophet Isaiah: *Is not this the kind of fasting I have chosen: to loose the chains of injustice and untie the cords of the yoke, to set the oppressed free and break every yoke? Is it not to share your food with the hungry and to provide the poor wanderer with shelter — when you see the naked, to clothe them, and not to turn away from your own kin?* Isaiah 58:6-7.

Lenten Fasting Regulations

1) Abstinence on all the Fridays of Lent, and on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. No meat may be eaten on days of abstinence. Catholics 14 years and older are bound to abstain from meat. Invalids, pregnant and nursing mothers are exempt.

2) Fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Fasting means having only one full meal to maintain one's strength. Two smaller, meatless and penitential meals are permitted according to one's needs, but they should not together equal the one full meal. Eating solid foods between meals is not permitted. Catholics from age 18 through age 59 are bound to fast. Again, invalids, pregnant and nursing mothers are exempt.

<http://www.catholicculture.org/culture/liturgicalyear/activities/view.cfm?id=1013>

OUR LADY OF LOURDES

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Mar 5 Sun 9:30 am (S) Slovenian; (E) English; (Euc) Eucharist

David Stegne (S); Stephanie Casar (E); Lojze Stegne (Euc)

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.

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA

Sat 5:30 pm

Mar 4 Earl Villafuerte (1); Delfina Marinelli (2)

Anna Ahyong & Jane Santa Ana (PF)

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

Mar 5 Elizabeth Premecz (H); Carmelita de la Cruz (E)

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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 Erzsínél ([204-697-2158](tel:204-697-2158)) és Prémecz Erzsínél ([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.



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 4 - **5:30 pm SA** - *Sunday Vigil Mass* Special intentions: Esther & Eliza Mendoza,
req. by Robert & Evelyn Thordarson

Sun. Mar 5 – **9:30 am OL** - Special intentions, req. by Maria Fidel

11:00 am SA – Deceased members of Matyi & Orosz families, req. by Elizabeth Orosz & family

Mon. Mar 6 - NO MASS

Tues. Mar 7 - 6:00 pm **OL** - Special intentions, req. by Josef & M. da Conceicao Poeppel

Wed Mar 8 - 9:00 am **SA** - Thanksgiving, req. by Julie, Fely & Cathy San Jose

Thu. Mar 9 - 9:00 am **SA** - RIP Deceased Mulaire & Kalichak family members, req. by Paul & Dolores

Fri. Mar 10 - 9:00am **SA** - RIP Anton Gjerek, req. by a family

Sat. Mar 11 - **5:30 pm SA** - *Sunday Vigil Mass* RIP Giovanni Di Pietro, req. by Mimmo & Adelma

Sun. Mar 12 – **9:30 am OL** - For Peace & Justice in Vietnam, req. by Que Nguyen & family

11:00 am SA – RIP Maria & Istvan Marx, req. by Rosa Kerger & family

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

Hiding destroys our life; living faith redeems it.

The first reading from Genesis reveals hiding as a human response to temptation and sin. [Genesis 2]. The Gospel reveals Jesus' response to the same temptation: showing up with trust in the ways of faith. [Matthew 4]. Jesus does not rely on his own strength but on the strength of the Father who sustains Him.

The second reading ties the two together, connecting the personal consequences of our choices to the salvation of the whole world. [Romans 5]. Sin enters the world through the sin of one person, and redemption comes through the victory of the One Son of God.

In the face of sin, we have choices, and those choices have real impact not only for me, but also for my family, friends and neighbours. Hiding our sin, denying it, refusing to deal with it leaves us isolated from God, from each other, and from the ways of faith that can heal us and our broken world.

Facing our temptations, standing firm in the ways of faith, and letting God use us will redeem us and heal the world.

So, stop hiding. Start looking at your life.

Whether it is too much shopping or too much drinking, tearing others down or holding onto anger, drowning in debt, or refusing to give out of fear you'll never have enough -- lay yourself bare.

Go to the Sacrament of Reconciliation / Confessions. Call a counsellor. Tell your spouse what you have been hiding. Ask for help. Show up in the face of the temptation and sin, and speak God's promises. Let Him be strong where you have failed.

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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".