



## 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent Sunday, March 19, 2017

### Weekend Liturgy Times

Saturday 5:00 pm, Sunday 9:00 am & 11:00 am

**Pastor:** Rev. Asisclo Podelino p.p. **Deacon:** Rev. Douglas Penn

**Secretary:** Mrs. Patricia Elcome **Office Hours:** M-F, 9am-3pm

#### Private Reconciliation

Saturday 4-4:30, Sunday 9-9:30, 10-10:30 or by appt.

### Schedule & Intentions (Mar. 20-26)

**Please Note:** This week we will pray Morning Prayer of the Church 15 minutes before daily Masses in the Chapel.

Monday, March 20	9:00 am	
Tuesday, March 21	9:00 am	
Wed., March 22	9:00 am	
Thursday, March 23	9:00 am	
Friday, March 24	10:30 am	Adoration
(in the church)	11:00 am	Stations of the Cross
	11:30 am	Mass
Saturday, March 25	5:00 pm	Mass for the People
Sunday, March 26	9:00 am	For Ron Radcliffe by the CWL
	11:00 am	For Liz Araujo by Mary Kay Wilks and family

## Registration Form

**Welcome!** It is a great joy to welcome new members to our parish community. Please register as soon as possible in order to participate in our various programs, ministries and activities. Just drop this form in the collection basket and we will contact you.

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Phone #** \_\_\_\_\_

### Readings for Next Sunday

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: 1 Samuel 16.1b, 6-7, 10-13  
2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Esphesians 5.8-14  
Gospel: John 9-1-41



### Ministries for Next Week: March 25/26

#### Readers

5 pm Emy Talusan, Joachim Baur  
9 am Eileen Gorgichuk, Dennie Radcliffe  
11 am Willy Wicha, Claudia Young



#### Eucharistic Ministers

5 pm Doreen Karwaski, Eileen Parry, Barb Maziarczyk  
9 am Lucie Owen, Kathy Mercz, Johanna Plomp  
11 am Deacon Doug, Helen Cartier, Mary Pierik



#### Ushers

5 pm Linda Pleasance, Jeannette Vandervooren  
9 am Peter & Lou Speziale  
11 am Bev Scales, Ken Young



#### Children's Liturgy

11:00 am Nathalie McDermott

**\*\*Children's Liturgy is intended for children in Kindergarten – Grade 2. Younger children are welcome but must be accompanied by an adult\*\***  
Thank you



#### Altar Servers

5 pm  
9 am Please serve at the Mass you attend.  
11 am



#### SVDP Information

For assistance please call 905 786 2249



#### Financial Information – March 11/12

Offertory \$1,944.40  
Capital Fund \$ 70.00  
St. Vincent de Paul \$ 645.05



Thank you for your generosity!

#### 2017 Envelopes

If you require a boxed set of envelopes please call the Parish Office 905 987 5446.



#### For Your Information

Please be advised that the Parish Office is closed March 20 – 24 as our secretary will be away. For any emergencies please call and leave a message and Fr. Ace will get back to you as soon as possible.



### From the Pastor Desk



#### Why is Faith a prerequisite for the sacraments?

**Sacraments are not magic. A Sacrament is effective of itself; however, to be fruitful it must be accepted in faith. Sacraments not only presuppose faith, they also strengthen it and give expression to it.**

Jesus commissioned the Apostles first to make people disciples through their preaching, in other words, to awaken their faith and only then to baptize them. There are two things, therefore, that we receive from the Church: faith and the sacraments. Even today someone becomes a Christian, not through a mere ritual or by being listed in a register, but rather through acceptance of the true faith. We receive the true faith from the Church. She vouches for it. Because the Church's faith is expressed in the Liturgy, no sacramental ritual can be changed or manipulated at the discretion of an individual minister or a congregation.

#### Words of Pope Francis

"Lent is the favourable season for renewing our encounter with Christ, living in his word, in the sacraments and in our neighbour."



#### Thought of the Week

Living without God's spirit is like trying to dribble a football.



#### Sunday Funny

**Husband:** Today is Sunday, I want to enjoy my whole day so I bought three movie tickets.

**Wife:** Why three my dear?

**Husband:** For you and your parents...



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# 40 CANS FOR LENT



Canned goods and other non-perishable food items are being collected in the Gathering Room for the duration of Lent. Please take part in this Lenten initiative along with the Knights of Columbus. **Your donations will benefit our St. Vincent de Paul Society and the families they support.**

#### Lenten Retreat

As we journey towards Easter, the oblates of Assumption province invite you to deepen your relationship with God by participating in the three day Lenten Retreat at **St. Therese Parish with Fr. Marcin Serwin OMI on Sunday, March 19 at 9am, 11am and 7pm; Monday, March 20 at 7pm; Tuesday, March 21 at 7pm.** During this time of examination and renewal, participants experience renewed personal encounter with Jesus Christ where you will experience Christ in the word preached by Fr. Marcin Serwin, and in the ability to participate in the Sacrament of Reconciliation before the evening masses on Monday and Tuesday. Fr. Marcin Serwin is one of the most engaging preachers you will ever meet.



#### Development & Peace

##### Women at the Heart of Change

##### Democratic Republic of the Congo

This week we travel to the southern region of DRC to the village of Mbalaka where Cecile Kazadi lives. She explains how her eldest daughter was a victim of rape; however, thanks to RCK radio and their core group, their lives have changed in many ways. We are aware of our rights and rape is no longer a secret. When a girl is raped, we go straight to the police and we ask for justice. The boy responsible for her daughter's rape was arrested. The RCK radio station helps us a lot. Thank you, because I have seen how this is truly working for change. This week please pray for the women in DRC.



#### 2016 Tax Receipts

Your receipts are available for pick up after Mass today. Any questions or concerns please call the parish office during office hours.

