

MASS Intentions

March 7 Saturday 5:00 pm

Michele e Domenicangela Battista

March 8 3rd Sunday of Lent

9:00 am Paul Rocca

11:00am For all the Parishioners

March 9 Monday No mass

March 10 Tuesday 8:00 am

Pasqualino Ramundo

Special Intention John Smits

March 11 Wednesday 8:00 am

Antonio Bonfilio

March 12 Thursday 8:00 am

Pat Ramundo

March 13 Friday 9:30 am

Rose Addario

March 14 Saturday 5:00 pm

Tom Marschall



Pope's prayer intention for Marc: For disarmament and peace

Let us pray that nations move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.

SUNDAY OFFERING

March 1 collection: \$1,650.00

Maintenance and heating : \$640.00

So far we collect these donations for the new central heating:

- \$3,100.00 by the Burns Family
- \$3,000.00 Anonymous
- \$2,000.00 by the Poulin Family
- \$2,000.00 by Deslauriers Family
- \$1,500.00 from Comitato Santa Maria Assunta
- \$1,500.00 By Frank and Elizabeth Campion
- \$1,500.00 by Oehring Family
- \$1,000.00 by the Duong Family
- \$1,000.00 by the Dyson Family
- \$1,000.00 by Robert Clarkson
- \$1,000.00 by Frank and Sharon Marotta
- \$1,000.00 by the Policella Family
- \$1,000.00 From Casa Dante
- \$1,000.00 by father Raymond and Family
- \$1,000.00 in Memory of John P. Mancuso
- \$1,000.00 in memory of Dennise Stelmaschuk
- \$1,000.00 by Ramundo Family
- \$1,000.00 By Raymond and Rita DiMartile
- \$1000.00 By Mottola Family
- \$1,000.00 By Family Filippo Fraraccio
- \$1,000.00 In memory of Paul Rocca
- Other offering: \$2,070.00

Total: \$30,570.00

The name of this families and the ones who will donate at least \$1,000.00 will be written at the church entrance. Many thanks to them and the future donors.

Final expenses: \$201,162.60 Still to pay: \$170,592.6



Parish Established 1910 Church Blessed 1927

March 8, 2026: 3rd SUNDAY OF LENT

"The one who drinks the water that I will give will never be thirsty! The water ...wil become in him a spring of water gushing up to eternal life"



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Parish Dinner - every 1st Tuesday of the month, Hall

OFFICE HOURS: THURSDAY: 9:30 AM - 3:00PM

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE:

SATURDAY 5:00 PM (ENGLISH)

SUNDAY 9:00 AM (ITALIAN)

11:00 AM (ENGLISH)

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY 8:00 AM

FRIDAY 9:30 AM

DEVOTIONS : (PLEASE CHECK BULLETIN)

ROSARY - PRAYED ON WEEK DAYS BEFORE MASS.

* EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: EVERY FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH AT 8:30AM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION :

TUESDAY TO THURSDAY AT 7:00 AM, FRIDAY AT 8:30

SATURDAY AT 4:00 PM (ANY OTHER TIME, PLEASE CALL.)

SACRAMENT OF THE ANNOINTMENT OF THE SICK

PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH PRIEST DURING SERIOUS ILLNESS OR BEFORE SURGERY.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: BY APPOINTMENT.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH PRIEST AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

PRE-MARRIAGE CLASSES ARE MANDATORY.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION (RCIA)

For more information please call the parish office.

Catholic Schools:

Sisters of the Sacred Heart (Elementary School) *Tel: 905-732-4542*

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CWL will be selling Shamrocks at all the masses on the weekend of March 14th and 15th for you to wear on the 17th.

It's time to get your yeast and flour for making Easter Bread for our Annual celebration of St. Joseph which is on Thursday, March 19th. Times for mass and drop off of your breads will be in next weeks bulletin.

CWL 68th ANNUAL MEETING OF MEMBERS (CONVENTION) The 68th Annual Meeting of Members (AMM) of the St. Catharines Diocesan Council of the Catholic Women's League of Canada will be held at the St. John the Theologian Ukrainian Catholic Church, 91 Lakeshore Rd., St. Catharines ON, L2N 2T6 on Tuesday, April 21, 2026. What a delight it will be to gather once again in faith and fellowship to participate in the Mass, conduct CWL business, and listen the to guest speakers: in the morning, Joanne Heritz, PhD., and in the afternoon, His Excellency, Bishop Bergie. Kindly note that the hard deadline for the Registration will be Wednesday, April 1, 2026

Lift Jesus Higher Rally -

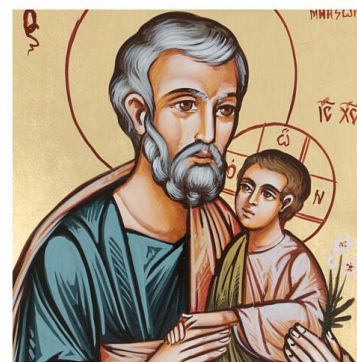
Saturday March 14/2026 - 9 am - 5:30 pm.
Metro Convention Centre, North Building, 255 Front Street W
\$49 Adult Rally. \$25 Youth ages 13-18 Simultaneous event
For tickets and information, visit [Home - Lift Jesus Higher Rally \(LJHR\)](#)

NIAGARA ICE DOGS

Join Bishop Bergie to cheer on the Niagara Ice Dogs against the Ottawa 67s on Saturday, March 15 at 2:00PM. A limited number of tickets are available. Parishes are asked to collect all the funds and forward 1 payment by March 11 to the Youth and Adult Ministry Office. Tickets are \$20. Please contact Frank to ensure a ticket purchase If there are any questions, and for more information, please contact Frank Capisciolto, Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministry, at youth@saintcd.com or call 905-684-0154 #204.

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

On Saturday, March 21, 2026, in every parish church across the diocese a priest will be available from 10:00am – 2:00pm to hear individual confessions. There will also be Eucharistic Adoration during this time. No matter how long it has been, you are welcome to celebrate the Sacrament of Penance, which assists us in spiritual discipline as we turn away from sin and open our hearts to reconciliation and healing; or you can also simply come to pray before the Lord.



MARCH 19th: SOLEMNITY OF SAINT JOSEPH

This occasion holds great significance for us as Saint Joseph is the patron Saint of Canada.

Two masses are scheduled for the day:

8:00 AM

6:00 PM



METANOIA

(a 10 Videos Course based on Jesus and our answer to him)

On Sundays at 10.10 am (30 minutes video) in the Church hall

March 8, March 15, March 22

April 12, April 19, April 26,

May 17, May 24, May 31

April Metanoia means conversion, but it is much more than that. It means to change, to repent, to turn, to think differently. Metanoia is an ongoing process. As Christians we are to live a life of metanoia. In the very beginning of Mark's Gospel Jesus says, "This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the Gospel." (Mk. 1:15) The word "repent" in Greek has the root "metanoia." At the very beginning of the Scriptures, Jesus is inviting us to metanoia. The purpose of this series is to assist the viewer in this ongoing metanoia. I believe Jesus invites everyone to a deeper more profound conversion - a metanoia - that moves us from *something* to *someone*, as metanoia ultimately turns us to Jesus. Most people understand the word "conversion" to mean the act of converting from one religion to another, or a significant and powerful event, a *conversion experience*, that causes a person to grow deeper in their faith. But conversion is for everyone at all times. As you walk through this series, I will continually be praying that you may come to understand how everyone is in constant need of metanoia and that this truth is a source of hope and encouragement. I pray that we all might continually experience this metanoia and seek the transformative grace of the Holy Spirit.

Message of Pope Leo XIV for Lent 2026

The 2026 Message of Pope Leo XIV for Lent is titled "***Listening and Fasting: Lent as a Time of Conversion.***"

In his message, the Holy Father writes: "Lent is a time in which the Church, guided by a sense of maternal care, invites us to place the mystery of God back in the center of our lives, in order to find renewal in our faith and keep our hearts from being consumed by the anxieties and distractions of daily life." [Read the entire message on the Vatican website.](#)

EVERY LENTEN FRIDAY

10— Noon

Eucharistic adoration (if there are not funerals).



Way of the Cross at

6:00 p.m.



PARISH FINANCIAL SUPPORT

If you are unable to attend Mass for health reasons, and would like to assist us financially, please use our donation e-transfer email: **stmarywelland@gmail.com**
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