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✠ Fifth Sunday of Lent ✠

March 18th, 2018

This Sunday's Scripture: Jeremiah 31:31 contains the great prophecy that the Lord will one day place his law within our hearts. In the Old Testament, God's law was written on stone and often appreciated as an imposition, a burden. But Jesus is the Law incarnate, the Torah made flesh. Therefore, when we eat his body and drink his blood, we take the law into our hearts, and thus we realize the prophecy of Jeremiah.

Easter Flower Donations: for the Glory of God and in memory of loved ones can be made with the envelopes provided at the entrance of the church. The Masses of Easter will be offered for your intentions. Donations must be submitted by Tuesday, March 27th, in order to have loved ones listed in the Easter bulletin memorial page.

2017 Diocesan Lenten Missionary and Development Collection: (*taken up on Good Friday*) Lent is a time of sacrificial almsgiving. This is more than simply writing a cheque or philanthropy. Almsgiving is a form of prayer because it is 'giving to God'. It is a form of fasting because it demands sacrificial giving — not just giving something, but giving up something, giving till it hurts. In a sense, almsgiving is better than fasting because it involves *both* prayer and fasting.

Lenten Confessions: on Palm Sunday from 2:00 - 3:00 p.m. with visiting priests as Confessors; after all Sunday Masses; at 3:45 p.m. on Saturdays; at 7:15 p.m. Wednesday evenings during Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament; after all weekday Masses;

*Lord Jesus, may shame never make me forget your mercy,
and may pride never prevent me from asking for mercy.*

The Pastor's Notes

* In our prayers: for parishioners who are sick; and those who have died, especially: *June Murphy, Russell Lesway*, Father-in-law of Patty Lesway; *John Okum, Gerry Nicholas, Edna Clift*, mother-in-law of Marc Shank; and *Frank Murphy*, brother of Bridget Perreault.

* Clergy Appointments: Bishop Michael Mulhall has announced the following appointments, to take effect on Friday, March 16, 2018. Rev. Casimir Muobike, S.M.M.M., newly arrived in the Diocese, has been appointed Administrator of Our Lady of Mercy Parish, Bancroft, and St. Anthony Mission, Haliburton. Rev. Scott Murray has been appointed Parochial Vicar of Paroisse Ste-Therese, Temiscaming, and Our Lady of the Lake Mission, Kipawa.

* The latest edition of our diocesan paper Ecclesia at the entrance of the church includes a short article based on some interview questions given to me late last year. I am celebrating my 25th Anniversary of Ordination this year (*May 1, 1993*).



All parishioners are invited to Celebrate the Holy Priesthood of Jesus Christ
and
Fr. John N. Burchat's 25th Anniversary of Ordination to Holy Orders
with a Mass of Thanksgiving at 9:30 a.m on Sunday, April 29th.

A Reception will immediately follow in the parish hall.



*In order to provide the caterer with numbers, please sign up at the entrance of the church,
or contact the parish office
by phone (613-623-2282 ext. 0) or email (parish@saintjohnchrysostom.org)*

+ Fifth Week of Lent +

March 19 - 23

Wednesday 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. *Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction*
 7:15 p.m. *Confessions*
 8:00 p.m. +Donna Havey by *Jeanette & Helene Schnob*

Thursday 8:00 a.m. +Mieczyslaw & Rozalia Sydor by *Family*

Friday 8:30 a.m. +Hugh Lunney by *Bill & Joanne Lunney*
 7:00 p.m. *Stations of the Cross*

† Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord †

March 25, 2018

Saturday 3:45 p.m. *Confessions*
 4:30 p.m. Intentions of the People (*Missa pro populo*)

Sunday 9:30 a.m. +Kathy Wagner by *Christine & Jeff Blimkie*
 +Adam & Jerry Srodulski by *Knights of Columbus*
 2:00 - 3:00 p.m. *Sacrament of Reconciliation with Visiting Priests*

** There will be a practice for the Triduum for all altar servers immediately after 9:30 a.m. Mass.

Liturgical Appointments

Next Sunday	4:30 p.m.	9:30 a.m.
Commentator	Chris Barrett	Ray Martin
Reader	Carol Marcellus	Cathy McGrath
Eucharistic Ministers	Doreen Nicholas, Corrine Thomson	Helen McGregor, Barb Duffy
Greeter/Ushers	Linda Chandler, Kim Guthrie Michael Szombathy	Patty & Jenna Lesway Jackie Crout, Kristie Stewart
Servers	Please always check in 15 minutes before Mass begins. Everyone is expected to be on the sanctuary.	
Offertory		The Jeror Family
Hospitality: Second Sunday when scheduled		Children's Liturgy: Golda D'Souza

Meetings and Gatherings

Monday *Al-Anon Meeting*- 7:30 p.m. meeting room #1 (613-860-3431)
Christian Meditation - 2:00 p.m. in meeting room #1

Tuesday *Choir Practice* - 1:00 p.m. in the Church
Christian Meditation - 7:00 p.m. at the home of Mary Sue McCarthy (613-622-7783)

Wednesday *A.A. Meeting*— 8:00 p.m. choir room

Saturday *A.A. Meeting* - 8:00 p.m. choir room

Stewardship: *Thank you for your generosity!*

Church Bell Tower Campaign: May the Lord bless you for your generosity which has already helped us to raise \$124,732.74 (since July 2016) towards our goal of \$400,000 over 4 years.

Leaving Your Legacy for St. John Chrysostom Parish: Estate planning is good stewardship of your life's work. Planning ahead provides the opportunity to ensure that you will be remembered for what you lived. Having provided for your loved ones, you can then make arrangements for the things that you are most passionate about. Making a bequest in your Will to St. John Chrysostom Parish, is a simple way to leave your legacy for the temporal needs of your parish but always consult a qualified income tax accountant and/or estate lawyer before planning your gift.



Catholic Women's League

Nancy Black, *Madame President*

-Remember that the 1st Sunday of the month is Foodbank Sunday.
 -Next meeting will be April 3rd @ 7:00 p.m.

- Our annual Change for Change collection for CPAN's "Tools for School" program will be April 21/22. We invite parishioners to be generous in giving additional loose change for this cause.



Knights of Columbus

Blaine Mullins, *Grand Knight*

Council 2082
 285 Albert St.
 Arnprior, ON
 613-623-2519

www.kofc2082.org

Executive Meeting - *Monday, March 26th*
 Business Meeting - *Monday, April 2nd*

KofC Bingo – Every Thursday at 6:45 p.m. in the Parish Hall. *Dabber format-jackpot \$1,000 progressive with 100 in attendance.* Doors open at 6:15 p.m. sharp. All over 18 welcome. Team: Marc Shank

KofC & Legion Euchre Challenge: Open to everyone. Cost: \$3 per person. Registration is at 6:45 p.m. before each game. Game #6 on Friday, March 23rd at the Parish Hall. Come on out and bring a partner. You do not need to be a Legion member.

G The Sacraments at St. John Chrysostom Parish G

Pastoral Visits To The Hospital: Because of the Privacy Act, to be sure you receive a visit from Fr. Burchat and the Pastoral Care Team, *please notify the parish office. We do not know if you or a loved one is at the hospital unless we are informed.*

Pastoral Care of the Sick & Homebound: Please notify the parish office for a pastoral visit and monthly reception of Holy Communion on First Fridays when you are no longer able to attend Sunday Mass.

The Sacrament of the Sick: This sacrament is normally administered when someone is in danger of death, undergoing a major operation or suffering from any serious illness (i.e., heart conditions, cancer).

Pastoral Care of the Dying: The Church desires that her faithful know spiritual strengthening and healing from sin through the Sacraments when they are dying. Be sure to ask your family to honour your desires when it is time to call a priest in order to prepare for a Christian death.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Confessions are heard on Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. and Saturdays at 4:00 p.m., in the Sacrament of Reconciliation Room at the church entrance, and anytime by request or appointment.

Are You Interested in Becoming a Catholic? *Do you want to be baptized a Christian in the Catholic Church? Are you a baptized Christian but not Catholic and desire to begin receiving Holy Communion in the Catholic Church?* If you know of anyone who has been hesitant, encourage and accompany them in coming to speak to any member of the pastoral staff at any time. The process of Christian initiation takes into consideration each person's journey of faith and can take place in many ways, "privately" or publicly.

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Sacrament of Baptism: To arrange for the Baptism of your child please first meet with Fr. Burchat after either Sunday Mass at which you are in attendance. Catechetical instruction normally takes place the Sunday before baptisms. The next date for baptisms: April 15th, May 27th.

The Sacrament of Marriage: Christian Marriage requires preparation and those scheduling their marriage are asked to personally speak to Fr. Burchat after any Sunday Mass and generally at least six months before a proposed celebration. Catholics living in "irregular" situations should consult with a priest so as to discern how they can begin to return to full communion in the Church.

Catholic Funerals: Funeral Liturgies for the faithful departed should be celebrated in a Catholic Church. However, as you consider funeral costs and family needs know that there are various ways that the rituals of the Church can be adapted in consultation with your Pastor. Funeral arrangements are made concurrently by the Funeral Home and the parish priest with the direct involvement of the family. *The Catholic Funeral is always a celebration of life, remembering that our loved ones are created in the image and likeness of God and redeemed by the life, passion, death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ.*

M THE SACRED PASCHAL TRIDUUM: THE GREAT THREE DAYS M

March 29 - April 1

THE FIRST DAY:	Holy Thursday: Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper	7:30 p.m.
	<i>Private Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament until 10:00 p.m.</i>	
	Good Friday: Celebration of the Passion of the Lord	3:00 p.m.
THE SECOND DAY:	Holy Saturday	<i>No Masses celebrated until the Vigil.</i>
THE THIRD DAY:	Easter Vigil Mass	<i>Holy Saturday Evening</i> 7:30 p.m.
	Easter Sunday: Mass of the Resurrection of the Lord	9:30 a.m.

The Stations of the Cross: are conducted every Friday evening during Lent in the church beginning at 7:00 p.m. and taking about 35 minutes. *Have you and your family ever experienced this way of meditating on Our Lord's Passion as part of your Lenten journey?*

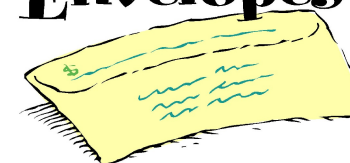
"The Way of the Cross is not only a great testimony to an inner depth and maturity, but it is in fact a school of interiority and consolation. It is also a school for the examination of conscience, for conversion, for inner transformation and compassion – not as sentimentality, as a mere feeling, but as a disturbing experience that knocks on the door of my heart, that obliges me to know myself and to become a better person." ~Pope Benedict XVI



Divine Mercy Sunday: At St. John Chrysostom, on Sunday, April 8th, beginning at 1:30 p.m. in Our Lady's Chapel, we will have a video presentation by Dr. Scott Hahn entitled: *The Father of Mercies*, followed by a Holy Hour from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. with the singing of the Divine Mercy Chaplet and Solemn Benediction. Reception to follow. *Come and pray that Our Risen Lord, may abundantly pour out His Divine Mercy upon our families and the whole world.*

2018 Envelopes: 1) Any parishioner that was not issued envelopes for 2018 and is wishing to contribute, you may pick up a box of envelopes at the entrance of the church. Please be sure to put your name and full mailing address on the first envelope you use to allow us to properly set you up on our system for charitable donation receipts. 2) Would the household using envelope box #71 please identify themselves! 3) Please DO NOT use envelopes from previous years. 4) Why not use direct deposit and call the parish office to set it up!

Offering Envelopes



Anda's Corner for Catechetics, Liturgy and Faith Journey

Reconciliation/First Communion:

March 25th is Palm Sunday and the 2nd class for First Communion. Come a bit early so that the children can be a part of the Entrance procession! Near the end of the 9:30 Mass, Father John will call the children forward to be dismissed for their 2nd class on Holy Communion. How is the memorization of "Lord, I am not worth that you should enter under my roof..." going?



Confirmation:



A practice for the Triduum will be held Wednesday March 28th after school. The Triduum is the retreat for the Confirmation candidates and their parents; the candidates will participate Holy Thursday, Good Friday and the Easter Vigil, while parents participate by their presence. The next Confirmation class will be Sunday April 8th. Near the end of the 9:30 a.m. Mass, Father John will call the youth forward to be dismissed for their 6th class.

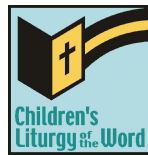
There will also be a practice for all candidates immediately after school on Wednesday, March 28th until 4:00 p.m.

Children Participating In Children's Liturgy on Palm Sunday: If your JK to grade 5 children normally attend Children's Liturgy of the word at the 9:30 Mass, come a few minutes early for your family to find their seat, and then send these children to congregate at the entrance of the church. This is so that they can participate in the Entrance procession, carrying palms. Then, rather than going to their seats, they will go directly to the Children's Liturgy room.



EDGE Youth Ministry @ St. John Chrysostom: If you are in grade 5, 6, 7 or 8 and you have questions about God, life and faith, and are looking to have some fun (activities and sports) with other youth on a Saturday night, then come out to our bi-monthly youth nights (2nd & 4th Saturdays) at St. John Chrysostom Parish. Mass and then food, faith and fun until 7:30 p.m. The next Edge Youth Night is March 24th beginning with Mass at 4:30 p.m.

Children's Liturgy of the Word: All children from Junior Kindergarten to Grade 5 are welcome to attend their own Liturgy of Word during the 9:30 a.m. Sunday Mass. The Gospel is proclaimed and explained in a way appropriate to the age of the children. In such a way, they are given the opportunity to understand the teachings of Jesus and participate more fully in the church's Liturgy and Christian living. The priest will normally send forth with a blessing after the Collect (*Opening Prayer*).



Eucharistic Adoration: on Wednesday evenings and First Fridays. *Just as you can't be exposed to the sun without receiving its rays, neither can you come to Jesus exposed in the Blessed Sacrament without receiving the divine rays of his grace, his love, his peace.*



St. Maximilian Maria Kolbe Fraternity: The next meeting will be held on Saturday, April 21st, 2018 in meeting room #2. The meeting will begin with recitation of the Holy Rosary at 9:30 a.m., followed by the meeting which commences at 10:00 a.m. following the "Ritual of the Secular Franciscan Order." Enquirers are welcome to attend.

Bishop Mulhall's Comments On Our Good Friday Collection for the Poor

Once again, we will continue the practice of sharing the Annual Diocesan Lenten Missionary and Development Collection with religious communities and apostolates that have a connection with the diocese to be used in their efforts with the poor. As in the past, we will also direct funds to the Catholic Near East Welfare Association (CNEWA) which is a papal agency for humanitarian and pastoral support.

In the past year, the dioceses of Canada have undertaken the full responsibility for the financial support of the dioceses of the Canadian North. Many of these dioceses do not possess the numbers of faithful or the financial resources to support the basic work of the Church. Many of you have supported the efforts of Catholic Missions Canada to provide assistance for these Churches. Another source of financial support was a regular subsidy which was given to these dioceses through the Congregation for the Evangelization of Peoples (Propaganda Fide) in Rome. Rightly a decision was made which transferred these funds from northern Canadian dioceses to needy dioceses in the third world. Being a prosperous first world nation, the full responsibility for supporting the home mission dioceses should properly fall to the other dioceses of Canada. It has been decided that the Diocese of Pembroke will be one of the southern Dioceses supporting the Archdiocese of Keewatin-LePas which has a very large territory in Northern Ontario, Manitoba and Saskatchewan. I wish to let you know that each year a portion of our Lenten collection will be sent to support this initiative.

As in the past, if any individuals wish to contribute to the Development and Peace-Canada Caritas, they may do so by personally addressing their contributions to Development and Peace-Caritas Canada, 1425 Rene-Levesque Blvd., 3rd Floor, Montreal, Quebec - H3G 1T7. Should you wish to obtain further information, please call the Chancery at 613-732-7933 or CNEWA at 613-738-9666 or consult the web-site www.cnewa.ca



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