Fifth Sunday Of Lent

March 22, 2015

"If a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it bears much fruit."

- John 12.20-33

When there is a funeral at "either" Holy Trinity or St. Joachim's, our regular 12 noon

Mass will be cancelled and the Mass intention rescheduled for another day.

MASS SCHEDULE THIS WEEK MASS INT	TENTION
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Tuesday	March 24	12 noon	Eileen Hughes
Thursday	March 26	12 noon	Evelyn Kelly
<u>Saturday</u>	March 28	5:30pm	Mary Pothier

Sunday March 29 9:30am For All Parishioners & Their Intentions

Last Week's Offertory Collection

		\$1,246.00	Last Week's Total
6	Building Fund	\$115.00	
1	Flowers	\$400.00	
	Loose Donations	\$16.00	
17	Regular Envelopes	\$715.00	

Amount needed to pay only "our regular weekly bills": \$2,500.00 per week
Amount needed to "also include" repairs and maintenance: \$3,500.00 per week

Easter Schedule

April 2 - Holy Thursday	7pm at Saint Joachim's
April 3 - Good Friday	1pm
April 4 - Holy Saturday (Easter Vigil)	9pm
April 5 - Easter Sunday	9:30am

Fr. Stephen was unable to find another priest to cover a 7pm Holy Thursday Mass at Holy Trinity, and given the poor turnout in previous years, there will be no Mass at Holy Trinity on Holy Thursday. Everyone is welcome to join Father Peter at St. Joachim's for Holy Thursday.

First Reconciliation

Congratulations to the children in the Grade 2 class of our Religious Education program who will be receiving the Sacrament of Penance/Reconciliation for the first time on Saturday, March 28th, at 10:30am, in preparation for their First Communion.

Easter Ministry Schedule

There is a sign-up sheet at the entrance of the church for those involved in the various ministries to indicate which Mass they will be attending at Easter. Today, Sunday, March 22nd, is the last day that the sheet will be available.

Saturday Soup

Please join us for "Saturday Soup" on Saturday, March 28th, after the 5:30pm Mass in the Family Centre. Enjoy a meal of soup, rolls, dessert, tea & coffee as well as a time of fellowship. Cost: Donation.



Renewal Committee Fundraising

The latest contribution to the parish building fund from the many fundraising activities of the Renewal Committee is **\$700**. The parish thanks them for their continuing hard work.

Easter Flower Memorial

We are asking for your assistance as we decorate the church for Easter. We encourage you to make a donation towards our Easter flowers in memory of a loved one. Simply **print** the name(s) of those you would like to remember **on the outside of an envelope**. Please also indicate that the envelope is for "**Flowers**", and include your envelope number. The names of all those being honored will be included in our Easter bulletin. Deadline for submission of names is Sunday, March 29th (Palm Sunday).

Parish Renewal Committee Meeting

The next Holy Trinity Parish Renewal Committee meeting will be on Wednesday, March 25th, 7pm, in the parish Family Center. Any other parishioners who are interested in helping the committee members are welcome to attend.

Ministry Schedule

We will soon be preparing the April - June Ministry Schedule. If you know that you will be unavailable at any point during those months, please contact the office (653-6838 or office@holytrinitysj.com) before the end of today, Sunday, March 22nd.

Lenten Penance Celebration

Today, Sunday, March 22nd, 2pm, at Our Lady of The Assumption, Dufferin Row, there will be a Lenten Penance Celebration for the greater Saint John area for those who would like to receive this sacrament in preparation for Easter There will be many priests to help with individual confessions at the end of the service. If it is more convenient, confessions are always available in our own parish every Saturday after the 5:30pm Mass or by appointment.

Concert

The Papagayo Ensemble presents "Sounds of Spring", at the Cathedral on Sunday, March 22nd, 3:30pm, with music by Poulenc, Saint Saens, Michael Conway-Baker, Daniel Dorff and more. A Free will offering will be collected in support of St. Vincent de Paul.



Spring Craft Market & Expo

There will be a Craft Market & Expo held on Saturday, March 28th, from 10am - 2pm, at Saint Joachim's. Admission is FREE, so why not stop by to pick up some unique Easter or Mother's Day gifts! There will also be Door Prizes and a canteen. For more information, contact Connie Loughery (833-4697 or crloughery@xplornet.ca). Hope to see you there!

Chrism Mass

Bishop Robert Harris invites everyone to attend this year's Chrism Mass to be held on Tuesday, March 31st, 6:30pm, at the Cathedral. The full text of the Bishop's letter is available on our website and on the bulletin board at the entrance of the church.

Sunshine Garden Party

St. Pius X, Somerset Street, will be holding their annual ham & potato scallop dinner and silent auction on Sunday, April 19th. Viewing of silent auction items begins at 4:30pm, with dinner being served at 5pm. Tickets are \$20 per person, and available by calling 653-6830. Proceeds are going towards church elevator repairs.

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SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptisms are celebrated on the first Sunday of the month at 1pm for family members of Holy Trinity Parish and those who are living within the geographical boundaries of our parish. To make arrangements for a baptism please contact the office.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE / RECONCILIATION

Confessions are celebrated on Saturdays after the 5:30pm Mass or by appointment. To schedule a time, please speak with Father Peter.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

To reserve our church for a wedding, couples must first make an appointment with our pastor to discuss their plans and complete the pre-nuptial investigation forms. At least a six month notice and taking a marriage preparation course is a requirement. Because of our pastor's schedule for two parishes, weddings cannot be celebrated any later than 1pm on Saturday.

SACRAMENT AND MINISTRY TO THE SICK

If there is a family member or relative in the hospital who would like to receive a visit from the pastor, please inform Father Peter. Also, please let Father Peter know if there is someone sick or confined to their home who would like to receive a visit, receive Holy Communion, or be anointed with the Sacrament of the Sick.