



# SACRED HEART CATHEDRAL PARISH

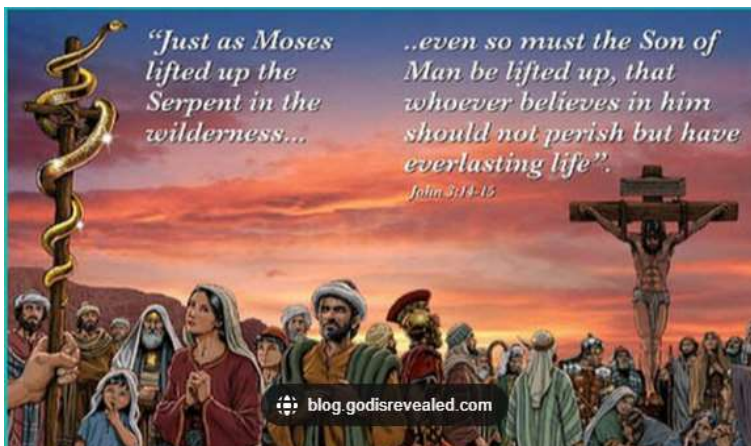


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LENT - WEEK 4 (March 10 – March 16)

4<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT

10 March 2024



GOSPEL: John 3. 14-21

"God remain faithful and true since the beginning, is now, and ever will be.  
He keeps His promise beyond doubts and reproach" - *Vicenrosebar*

## PARISH UPDATES

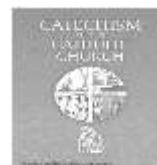
*Please Be Informed, Interested and Willing To Get Involved, Share/Donate, Support, Participate, Cooperate*

### I. YUKON GOVERNMENT INCLUSIVE FAMILIES SURVEY

INCLUSIVE FAMILIES SURVEY: As we reflect upon the importance of family in our society, we would like to make you aware of the *Inclusive Families Survey* by the Yukon Government on how family is defined and the language surrounding it. The survey can be found at <https://yukon.ca/en/engagements/inclusive-yukon-families> or by searching 'Public Engagements' on the Yukon.ca website. The deadline is March 15<sup>th</sup>.

### II. CATECHESIS NEWS: March Catechism Classes — *Caroline Knickle*

Spring Break is from March 11 to the 22nd. Holy Week is the week immediately after Spring Break, March 25 to 29. There will also be a break from our catechism classes. Please take note of the following schedules:  
First Communion Classes - there are no classes March 12, 19 and 26.  
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Confirmation Classes - no class on March 11, March 18 and April 1. There is a class on March 25.  
Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Classes - **No** classes from March 18 to 29.  
Most classes will resume the week after Easter. Confirmation classes start again on April 8.



### III. YOUTH ON FIRE

All are invited to join the Station of the Cross to be led by the "Youth On Fire Group" on Friday, March 15 at 7:00 PM in the Church.



**GENTLE REMINDER:** Pope Francis is earnestly calling and praying for us to be truly mindful of the real essence of the Lord's PASCHAL Mystery. May in our 40 Days journey of Lent 2024 we'll faithfully inscribe in our hearts and minds that *"Through the desert God leads us to Freedom."*

### IV. SPECIAL PROGRAM AND CALLING FOR ADULTS AND FAMILIES

*Called to Love: Education in the Faith, and Vocation within the Family*

*Catechesis for Adults and Parents*

Every 2nd Friday,  
7pm to 8:30pm

In the CYD hall at Sacred Heart Cathedral –  
406 Steele St., Whitehorse

Starting Friday, October 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023 until May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Session 11 - Friday, March  
29<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at 7:00 PM

Topic: **Four Working Principles  
And their particular norms**

Presenters:  
Bishop Hector F. Vila

### V. ON SPIRITUALITY

**Prayer Intention for March "For the new martyrs:** We pray that those who risk their lives for the gospel in various parts of the world inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm.

– **Pope Francis**



### VI. CHILDREN'S THEATER

All are invited to come and see the Children's Theatre Presenting "The Tempest" by William Shakespeare on March 23 at 1:30 PM and March 25 at 1:30 PM.

Admission is by Donation.

- Directed by Katherine Williams



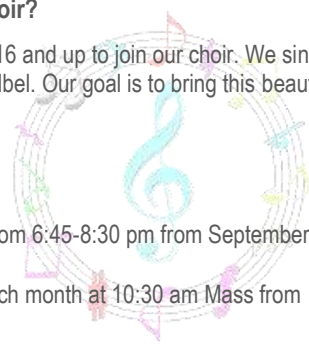
### VII. MUSIC MINISTRY: Do you want to sing with the choir?

Schola Cantorum North, the women's choir at Sacred Heart Cathedral, is inviting women ages 16 and up to join our choir. We sing sacred liturgical music written by the great composers including JS Bach, Palestrina and Pachelbel. Our goal is to bring this beautiful music to the faithful, and to reach out to the community with a concert of this music.

If you wish to try it out, here is what the choir needs:

- Singers who can sing in **tune** and in **time** (i.e in **tempo**)
- Singers who can read music to some extent.
- Singers who are able to attend practices regularly. We practice on Friday evenings from 6:45-8:30 pm from September to late June.
- Singers who will commit to sing at one Mass per month, on the second Sunday of each month at 10:30 am Mass from September to the end of June.
- Singers who are willing to sing in different languages. Pronunciation guide and translation are provided.
- Singers who will commit to practicing on their own between choir practices. Practice recordings are provided.

If you think this is something you would enjoy and would like to try it out, please contact Lucille Stuart at [Lstuart@northwestel.net](mailto:Lstuart@northwestel.net), or call or text me at (867) 334-7700.



### VIII. SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE

**Reaping our Rights** Message from the **Most Reverend William T. McGrattan**, President, Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishop (part 2) Share Lent 2024 Development and Peace/Caritas Canada. In Laudate Deum, Pope Francis reminds us that "Everything is connected" and "No one is saved alone" [19]. It follows that Canadians have a duty to ensure that peasants' rights, human rights and environmental rights are fully respected, not only in Canada but everywhere in the world.

On behalf of all the Bishops of Canada, I therefore hope you will join the **Create Hope – Reaping our Rights** campaign wholeheartedly through its Lenten and fall phases by:

- Encouraging your communities to give generously to Share Lent (especially, on Solidarity Sunday, i.e., the 5th Sunday of Lent, March 17, 2024), in solidarity with our sisters and brothers in the Global South who feed the planet while taking care of our Common home.
- Participating in the education and action campaign in fall to encourage Canada to do more for small-scale farmers and peasants around the world.

I invite you to be the hands and feet of Christ in the world through your generosity, engagement and solidarity; to “Sow for yourselves righteousness; reap steadfast love; break up your fallow ground; for it is time to seek the Lord, that he may come and rain righteousness upon you” (Hosea 10:12). – *Michael Dougherty*

### IX. HIGHLIGHTS OF THE HOLY WEEK CELEBRATION



- March 24: Palm Sunday
- March 26: Chrism Mass at 5:00 PM
- March 28: Hoy Thursday / Last Supper Mass at 7:00 PM and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 10:00PM
- March 29: Good Friday: French Liturgy at 12:00 NN; English Liturgy at 3:00 PM, Station of the Cross at 7:00 PM
- March 30: Holy Saturday: Blessing of Food at 10:00 AM; Holy Easter Mass at 8:00 PM
- March 31: Easter Sunday

## PARISH MINISTRY

### 1. DAILY HOLY MASS CELEBRATIONS

A. Sunday Masses					B. Daily Masses	C. Special Masses	
5:00 PM Saturday	9:00 AM	10:30 AM	12:00 NN	7:00 PM } Sunday	12:10 NN Monday to Friday	9:00 AM First Saturday of the Month	Weddings and Funerals (by Appointments)

### D. Mass Intentions

Date	Day	Time	Intentions	Date	Day	Time	Intentions
Mar 09	Sat	5:00 PM	+Varkey Ouseph	Mar 11	Mon	12:10 PM	Cecilia Sumalinog – 62 <sup>nd</sup> Birthday
		9:00 AM	All Parishioners	Mar 12	Tue	12:10 PM	
		10:30 AM	+Tedodora L. Rosero – 16 <sup>th</sup> Death Anniversary	Mar 13	Wed	12:10 PM	+Stan Kozdrowski
				Mar 14	Thu	12:10 PM	+Teodora L. Rosero
		12:00 NN	Nancy Bryant- Health/Wellness	Mar 15	Fri	12:10 PM	
		7:00 PM		Mar 16	Sat	5:00 PM	Magellaine B. Albeos – Birthday & Good Health

### E. Requests for Special Intentions during Holy Mass Celebrations

You may request to offer the following Mass Intentions:

1. Requiem Mass (Funeral services, Death anniversary/ remembering the souls)
2. Special Milestones (Birthdays, Anniversaries, etc.)

3. Healing Mass (fast recovery from sickness, reconciliation of relationships /ties)

4. Thanksgiving Mass (for most special intentions)

### 2. SACRAMENTAL PREPARATIONS AND RITES

(Forms are downloadable from our website. It is also available in our Church's Lobby or at the Rectory Office.

SACRAMENTS ARE FREE! Your Thanksgiving Offering for the Sacramental Rites will depend on the generosity of your hearts. God knows the contriteness of your hearts and He will reward you abundantly and accordingly.)

<b>Sacrament of Baptism</b> <b>Baptism Preparations:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> & 2 <sup>nd</sup> Friday of the Month: 7:00PM <b>Baptism Ceremony:</b> Saturday at 6:00 PM and Sunday at 1:00 PM	<b>Sacrament of Reconciliation</b> <b>Saturday:</b> 4:00 – 4:45 PM or call for an appointment <b>Sunday:</b> Before the Mass <b>Monday to Friday:</b> 11:30 AM – 12:00 NN
<b>Sacrament of Confirmation and Holy Communion</b> <b>Catechesis Classes:</b> October 2023 - May 2024 <b>Sacramental Rites:</b> Spring and Summer 2024	<b>Sacrament of Marriage</b> <b>Marriage Preparations:</b> Spring Time Only <b>Wedding Ceremony:</b> Couples' Preference

Arm yourself with prayer rather than of a sword; wear humility rather than fine words” – *St. Dominic*

### Sacrament of the Sick:

This is administered once a Year during the **World Day of the Sick (February 11) during Holy Masses.**

On other days, this sacrament is administered by special request. Indicate clearly the Name of the Sick, Place, Time and the Contact Person. The priest will administer this sacrament ASAP.

### 3. ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

**Regular Schedule: Thursday: 1:00 PM – 8:00 PM, Sacred Heart Cathedral**

We are with you in Praying for your intentions, petitions & all forms of supplications. Drop them in the Prayer Intent Box. Prayer Leaders and Alternates are still needed. **Please contact Katanne Belisle**

**for more details.** "Consecrate yourselves today to the Lord...that He may bestow upon you a blessing this day". (Exodus 32.29)



### The 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent – Some Musings

*“ . . . for it is by grace that you have been saved.”*

The dark clouds told that a storm was impending and in the distance thunder heralded the coming rain as lightening flashed around the sky. As Snoopy would write, “It was a dark and stormy night.” It was not the most fierce thunderstorm but the roll of thunder and the flashes of fiery lightening were still terrifying to many. That wrathful storm blew over and the skies cleared on a rain-washed earth, resplendent with the fragrance of newly washed garments. Why then do people prefer the darkness? Many years ago teaching a group of confirmation candidates, I asked how they knew when they had sinned and one young man told us, “It’s all the stuff you do in the dark when you think no one is watching.” A very astute answer for one so young. Do we really prefer the darkness of sin rather than the light of love?

However, watching the news or reading the papers, it would seem that people do prefer that darkness. How different the world would be if all people in it abided by Jesus’ law of love. “Love God and your neighbour.” We call ourselves Christians but as Sister Teresa asked, “Is there enough evidence to convict you?” We may sit at Mass, but unless we are committed to live out His teachings we are as phony as that proverbial three dollar bill. Jesus paid the ultimate price to save us and open to us the gates of Heaven and as people who claim Him as our Saviour we ought to repay that debt by following His precepts and teachings.

As I sat to write today the temperature rose to an unseasonable high of 18 degrees, so warm for this time of year. And it led me to consider just how very generous our God is. We’re not snowed in and many of us have our doors and windows open to that breeze that refreshes us. The quick changes in temperature keep us from becoming stagnant in our relationship with the natural world, so let’s take a lesson from that and use these changes to refresh the ways in which we worship and praise our heavenly Father.

We need to reflect seriously on those words, “God loved the world so much that He gave His only begotten Son, not to condemn the world but to redeem it.” How much love that would take: your only child, send him to a world in need of redemption for a people who have strayed far from you, and knowing that the only way to accomplish that was that this child must die an agonizing death to complete that task. The thought of this should make us tremble.

The movie by Mel Gibson attempted to make real those final hours of Jesus but as my husband observed after we’d seen it, “The truth was far worse.”

As we come to the end of the Lenten season and celebrate the death and resurrection of our Lord, we ought to put the Lenten observance we’ve made into regular practice in our daily lives. Let’s love others, care for the unfortunate and suffering, and follow Him in deep devotion and love, proud to be known as His followers and lead others to Him by our works and daily actions. Let’s walk in the light of love and compassion. Let’s endeavour to make our corner of the world a better place.

Wishing you a week of many small miracles. – *Betty Bruch*

### WORDS OF WISDOM:

God will always be attentive and provide us with whatever is necessary. When all shall fail us, then God will take care of us, and then all will not fail us since we shall have God, who must be our all. – St. Francis de Sales

It is our humble pleasure to serve you in cooperation with our Parish Rector, Fr. Slawek and our Diocese Bishop, Msgr. Vila.

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