

SACRED HEART CATHEDRAL

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Rev. Slawomir Szwagrzyk, Rector

Schedule of Masses: Monday- Friday 12:10 PM

Saturday: 5:00 PM (First Saturday of the month: 9:00 AM & 5:00 PM)

Sunday Mass: 9:00 AM, 10:30 AM, 12 PM (French), 7:00PM

Reconciliation: Monday - Friday 11:30 AM to 12 noon

Saturday: 4:00 PM - 4:45PM

Or email the office or call for appointment

Adoration of Blessed Sacrament: Thursday 1:00PM- 8:00PM



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4TH SUNDAY OF LENT

March 19, 2023

The man who was blind washed his eyes and came back to see.



The Annunciation of the Lord

March 25th



"Glorious St. Joseph, spouse of the Immaculate Virgin, obtain for me a pure, humble, charitable mind, and perfect resignation to the divine Will.."



God called St. Joseph to a unique mission: to be the spouse of the Blessed virgin Mary and the earthly father of Jesus. The Church recognizes St. Joseph by many titles: Terror of Demons, Model of Workers, Pillar of Families, Patron of a Happy Death, and more.

May his ready faith and humility inspire our own growth in virtue. St. Joseph, pray for us!

March 20th : Solemnity of St. Joseph, Principal Patron of Canada, Patron of the Universal Church

PARISH MINISTRY

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK



MASS INTENTION:

March 19	9:00 am	For all parishioners
	10:30 am	
	12:00 pm	Monique Monfette
	7:00 pm	+ Mommy Luring & Rico
March 20	12:10 pm	+ Lil, Justin, Brenda, Rodger
March 21	12:10 pm	+ Riszand Alasiewia
March 22	12:10 pm	+ Eileen & Frank Paula
March 23	12:10 pm	Gus & Vivian Pasowisty
March 24	12:10 pm	
March 25	05:00 pm	+ Deceased Parents of Jean Nikon



LENT

Lent is a time to answer the call to conversion. Catholics practice self discipline by abstaining from meat on Fridays and making other small sacrifices. Giving alms and spending increased time in prayer are also traditional practices during this holy season. Catholics also are encouraged to go to reconciliation during Lent.

Lent, which begins on **Ash Wednesday**, is a time of penance. It is a time when we reflect on the 40 days Jesus spent in the desert. Catholics have three main practices during **Lent**:

[prayer](#), [fasting](#), and [almsgiving](#).



BAPTISMAL PREPARATION

Registration form for baptism is found on our website, at the vestibule or email the office to get a copy. Parents who want their child baptise need to attend the baptismal preparation every 1st and 2nd Fridays of the month, except on April 7, Good Friday at 7:00PM at the rectory. Baptismal prep for April will be on April 14 & 21.



DIOCESAN LENT WEBPAGE

The Diocese has created a new [Lent 2023 webpage](#) on the diocesan website. The webpage has a variety of information, links to resources, and downloadable documents to guide the Faithful during this Lenten season. Ash Wednesday celebrations and the Diocesan Easter Triduum Mass schedule are also published on this page.

The Diocese will also hold the Staff Lenten retreat on March 20-23. Bishop Camilleri will be celebrating the 1210 masses at SHC.



FIRST COMMUNION 2023

There are no First Communion classes during the Spring break, March 14 & 29th. Also there is no class during the Holy Week, April 4th. The children's First Communion will be held at 1:00 pm on Sunday **April 23rd**.

We THANK all our catechists: Addie Sombito, Regil Vergara, Leaseth Ocampo, Genalyn Buensuceso and Caroline Knickle.



DIOCESAN LENTEN RETREAT The Diocesan Lenten retreat will be held in the CYO hall from March 20th to 23rd. Retreat participants will be joining in the daily 12:10 Mass at the Cathedral with Bishop Ivan Camilleri to deliver the homilies for these Masses.



EASTER BASKETS FOR THE ELDERLY

The parish would like to make 10-15 baskets for the elderly of our parish. These baskets are to be given on Easter week. If you have extra baskets and goods you would like to share with this project, please bring them or email the office. Please advise the office if you have suggestions on who will be our recipients. Thank you for your generosity.



THE WINTER'S TALE:

A local Christian Children's Theatre group, *The Shepherd's Players*, is performing Shakespeare's play **The Winter's Tale** on the afternoons of Saturday **March 25 at 2:30 pm** and Monday **March 27 at 1:15 pm in CYO Hall**. Anyone is welcome to attend! Admission by donation; suggested \$2/person. If you would like more information about the content of the play, please contact the parish office.

**FAMILY CAMP
SHC & OLOV**



**FAMILY CAMP FOR SACRED HEART & OUR LADY OF VICTORY
MARK YOUR CALENDAR!**

Sacred Heart and Our Lady of Victory Parishes welcome ALL TO KEEP THE DATE – FAMILY CAMP – Friday, **June 16 at noon to Monday June 19**, at noon at Braeburn Camp. Our beautiful camp will feature canoeing, swimming, fishing, crafts, hikes, good food, singing, campfires, prayer time, mass, cabins, nice bunkbeds, a place for you to park your own camper, and MOST importantly, together on June 18, a chance to celebrate our fathers!!



Registration and more information, please email the office and contact Stella Martin at 867- 335-4629



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

The **Stations of the Cross on Friday, March 31** from 7:00 to 7:45p, will be hosted by the Social Justice Committee. This evening of prayer and reflection has been prepared for us by Development and Peace/ Caritas Canada as part of their Share Lent Solidarity programme.



The Department of Education has engaged a consultant to work on a *Student Outcomes Strategy* for the territory. Phase 1, connecting with First Nations communities, was completed before December 2022. Phase 2 was January-March 2023 and included reach-out to other education partners, including school councils. There will be **two public Zoom sessions for families and anyone interested in the project: 6:30 pm on March 20 and March 27**. If you would like the link, or have any questions or comments on Catholic education in Yukon, please contact ceayukon@gmail.com. Phase 3 is directed by the Dept and will look at rolling out this initiative as early as the coming school year.

Katherin Williams
Exeutive Director,CEAY



CONFESSION



April 3rd - Monday 11:00 am - 12:00 pm
April 4th - Tuesday 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm
April 5th - Wednesday 11:00 am - 12:00 pm/ 4:00pm -8:00pm
April 6th - Thursday 8:00pm - 10:00 pm
During Adoration
April 7th - Friday 8:00 am - 12:00 pm
During adoration

PALM SUNDAY MASSES



April 1st Saturday anticipated mass at 5:00 pm
April 2nd Sunday masses
 9:00 am 10:30 am 12:00 pm - French 7:00 pm

HOLY TUESDAY



April 4th -
 Blessing of oil / Mass at 5:00 pm

HOLY THURSDAY



April 6th
 The Last supper - Mass at 7:00 pm
 Adoration and Confession after mass until 10:00 pm

GOOD FRIDAY



April 7th

- Adoration & confession from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm
- 12:00 pm The passion of the Lord (French)
- 3:00 pm The Passion of the Lord
- Divine Mercy Novena after Passion of the Lord
- 7:00 pm stations of the cross, confessions to follow

EASTER VIGIL



April 8th

- 10:00 am Blessing of the food
- 8:00 pm Easter Vigil

EASTER SUNDAY MASSES



April 9th *Happy Easter!*
 9:00 am 10:30 am 12:00 French 7:00 PM



The 4th Sunday of Lent – Some Musings

“Do you believe in the Son of Man?”

As night approached, the tree shadows cast a dark net over the pale sky; the barren tree branches rattled against one another in the gentle wind that swept through. The ground below was snow-covered in a pure white blanket of snow and ice and glittered like jewels below the darkening sky. The scene was awe-inspiring and I was blessed to be able to see it. My vision is far from perfect but I am not blind.

When Jesus asks the blind man if he believes in the “Son of Man” his response reminds us that Jesus wants us to see Him as our Redeemer and Saviour. That verb “to see” has many meanings. It can mean to perceive with our eyes or it can mean to understand, as when we have struggled with some problem and finally figure out how to solve it, we often say. “Oh! I see” meaning that we suddenly understand the solution. When this happens to me I often feel very foolish for not getting to that solution much more quickly. Often we can be blind to those small miracles that happen to us all the time.

The response of the blind man to Jesus’ question, “Do you believe in the Son of Man?” reminds us that we must have open minds and hearts if we want to see Jesus. The questions asked by the doubters of the authenticity of Jesus, is also an indication of how those who are questioning the blind man have closed their minds to the possibility of Jesus actually being the Messiah who would stoop to heal a person who simply begs for a few pennies to sustain himself. As I reflected on this gospel, I wondered just how often I miss seeing our Lord in the everyday ordinary things of life.

When we ignore the needs of others, when we fail to answer Jesus’ call to serve, when we turn a deaf ear to the cries of the poverty-stricken, when we turn a blind eye to those seeking to know our Lord better, we fail Him. There’s that old adage that tells us, “Seeing is believing.” So our lives should show the world around us that we do believe in the “Son of Man”. It’s not enough to say this if our deeds and thoughts and words do not demonstrate the truth that we do believe in the Son.

The sun is making a valiant attempt to break through the white clouds edged with the red of the sunset when the sun breaks through that cover and it calls to my mind, “though your sins be as scarlet, they shall become white as snow.” That image gives me great hope.

As we come closer to the Easter feast, let’s use these last few days of Lent to re-confirm our baptismal and confirmation pledges, and live according to the will of our heavenly Father. Let’s see the face of God in those around us, in the suffering and sorrowing, in the joyous and happy, in the innocent faces of the children and in the wise eyes of those who have lived long lives. I’ve always found Lent a time for renewal. We will soon see the re-birth of the earth as spring comes creeping in and as it creeps in quietly let’s make some quiet time to ask the Lord’s pardon for our sins and thanks for all His blessings.

Wishing you a week of many small miracles.

Betty Bruch