

St. Barnaby Newsletter – February 25, 2024

Sunday, February 25th - Mass is at 9:00 am

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2nd Sunday of Lent

Like Abraham we are called to journey into the unknown and respond to God's call, especially when circumstances make faith seem unreasonable. At moments of crisis, it is important to keep on trusting and take God at His word. – Desmond Knowles

First Communion, Reconciliation and Confirmation: Families who have children ready to prepare for these sacraments are asked to contact the parish office at the above email. Fr. Amato will get back to you as to what is required.



St. Barnaby's 150th Anniversary, June 9th. Mass will be celebrated at 2 PM. Following Mass a celebration dinner will take place. Please tell your family members, former parishioners and friends to **save the date!** Further information will be coming in the months to come.

Note: No Sunday morning Mass will be celebrated on that day.

In preparation for our 150th Anniversary Mass on June 9th, please consider joining the choir! We encourage anyone interested to come on up and help us raise our voices in song and praise.

150th Anniversary : We are still looking for more St Barnaby memories and photographs for our 150th anniversary booklet. The information can be left at the back of the church or emailed to bob.crichton1@gmail.com

Annual Catholic Women's League Convention: Sign up for 102nd. Diocesan CWL Convention - on April 27 & 28, 2024 at the Quality Inn on Benson St. Kingston (sign up sheet on table at back of church). (There is also a list of meals if you are interested in staying for the banquet). - Our CWL pays the Registration for our CWL members to attend. It is a great opportunity to meet other Sisters of our Diocese and get to hear some interesting Speakers. Sign up by March 17, 2024 as I need to submit papers to our Diocesan League .

Archbishop Michael Mulhall Lenten Talk Series

Wednesdays during Lent and Easter season; 7:00 pm

St. Mary's Cathedral (279 Johnson Street, Kingston)

Archbishop Mulhall will lead us in a spiritual reflection on the Wednesdays of Lent and Easter in the context of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

Lenten Faith Sharing Series Wednesdays, February 14 - April 3, 2024; 7:00 pm

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish (490 Days Road, Kingston ON)

All are invited to a weekly faith-sharing series during Lent. Starting after Ash Wednesday evening Mass on Feb 14th. For one hour each evening, we will pray, read a Gospel passage, watch a short video then discuss in small groups. For more information, please contact Karl Kadwell (613-888-7824) or Matej Goc (matejgoc@gmail.com).

Coldest Night of the Year Fundraiser

Tuesday, March 5

On February 24 thousands of Canadians will step out of the comfort of their homes and take part in the Coldest Night of the Year fundraiser for local charities.

The Collins Bay Institution in Kingston under the leadership of Chaplains is undertaking this challenge on **March 5**. We will be walking with inmates 5km "inside the walls" to raise funds for local charities.

We invite you to join this fundraiser by becoming part of our effort and donating to Collins Bay Institution Chapel Team.

Just copy and paste the link below and follow the simple directions:

<https://secure.e2rm.com/registant/TeamFundraisingPage.aspx?teamID=1014065&langPref=en-CA>

Lenten Lecture Series: Mondays, February 19-March 11; 10:45 am

St. Paul the Apostle Parish (1111 Taylor-Kidd Blvd, Kingston)

Join us on Monday mornings through Lent as Deacon Bill Gervais, Fr. Michel Quenneville, and Fr. John Hibbard lead us in a Lecture series covering the following weekly topics:

- The Spirituality of Lent (Feb 19)
- The Lenten Call to Penance (Feb 26)
- Liturgical Prayer; My Sacrifice and Yours (March 4)
- Celebrating the Sacred Triduum (March 11)

The lectures will begin following 10 am Mass. Please use the Hall entrance. All are welcome

A Lenten Series on Sin: Thursdays, February 22-March 7; 7:30 – 9:00 pm

St. Mary's Parish Centre 260 Brock Street, Kingston

We will reflect on: What does the Catechism say about sin? The Seven Capital sins and What is my root sin? These reflections will be led by Father Shawn. Please register by emailing juliet@stmaryscathedral.ca or 613-546-5521 ext. 5. This series will be live-streamed on our website: stmaryscathedral.ca. All are most welcome.

The BE Attitudes: Ten Paths to Holiness with Fr. Albert Haase, OFM Video Series

Wednesdays, February 21- March 20; Time TBA

St. Francis Xavier Parish (74 Church Street, Brockville)

Each one of us is called to discover our own unique way to grow in holiness whether it be as a parent, spouse, babysitter, beautician, bartender, or businessperson. No matter the occupation or role we play in life, there are ten characteristics that should shine in the life of every Christian disciple. Each independent talk explores three or four of the ten important attitudes that will shape each one of us into the person God calls us to be, with segments focused on:

- Relational and Self-giving Love
- Forgiveness
- Compassion, Surrender, and Being Contemplative
- Living in the Present Moment and Passion for Peace and Justice
- Gratitude and Your Own Unique Path to Holiness

These presentations will be held over five weeks. Keep an eye on their webpage

<https://sfxbrockville.ca> for start time and details.

Project Anna and Simeon – Grief Retreat Saturday, March 9; 12:00 pm- 8:00 pm

St. Mary's Refuge (Madoc)

Are you grieving the loss of a loved one through Medical Assistance in Dying?
A retreat day for hospitality, support, reflection, and sharing for those who are hurting from losing a loved one through MAiD. Meals will be provided. For more information and to register, email us at outreach@stmarysrefuge.org
Suggested Donation: \$100; Registration deadline Monday February 26

Catholic Christian Outreach (CCO) Summit

Friday, March 22; 7:00 pm

St. Mary's Cathedral (279 Johnson Street, Kingston)

Led by the missionaries of CCO and the students of Newman House chaplaincy at Queens, in St. Mary's Cathedral in the context of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, prayerful praise and worship music accompanied by inspiring testimonies. Confessions will be available.

Project Rachel Retreat: Friday, April 19-21 - St. Mary of Egypt Refuge (Madoc)

Project Rachel at St. Mary of Egypt Refuge is a ministry to women who have lost a child to abortion, and who often suffer the pain of this loss alone, filled with shame and regret. These women are welcomed on a Project Rachel weekend by the Christian community -- with hospitality, with the beauty of nature at St. Mary of Egypt Refuge in Madoc, with good food, and without judgement. There are opportunities for healing by way of Scripture, prayer, and the loving presence of our Lord in the sacraments of the Eucharist and Reconciliation.

There are many ways for volunteers to participate in these weekends -- assisting the team's retreat, cooking, providing transportation, advertising the retreat by word of mouth, and by prayer.

For more information, to register for the weekend, or to volunteer please find our contact number at stmarysrefuge.org/rachel.

Corporal Works of Mercy during Lent: St. Rita's Drop-in Centre

St. Mary's Cathedral Outreach to the homeless and poor of the city. 1:00-4:00 pm, Monday to Friday. Providing safety, shelter, great food, showers and good Christian hospitality and dignity. Volunteers always needed and welcome. Contact: paty@stmaryscathedral.ca

Veronica's Veil Overnight Shelter: Men, your help is needed.

We need your generosity. Shifts will run 8:30 pm to 12:30 am, 12:30 am to 4:30 am and 4:30 am to 8:30 am seven days a week. If you could volunteer for one of these shifts one day each week it would be a great help. Training will be provided. Please contact Ann Lyng at veronicasveil@stmaryscathedral.ca to sign up or for more information.

ORGAN SCHOLARSHIPS, deadline 31 March

The Royal Canadian College of Organists (RCCO) Kingston Centre offers scholarships for pianists of all ages who would like to be introduced to, and develop their playing skills on the pipe organ. Scholarships provide 10 hours of free organ lessons with a qualified instructor. The application deadline is March 31, with auditions for qualified applicants in early April. Information and application materials are available at www.rcco-kingston.ca, by emailing scholarships@rcco-kingston.ca, or by calling Cathy at 613-352-3334.