

March 15, 2015



ST. ANDREW'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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PASTOR: Father Anthony Gonsalves

TIMES OF MASSES AND MASS INTENTIONS

DATE	TIME	MASS FOR
Saturday, Mar. 14 th	4:00 p.m.	+Lily Chau
Sunday, Mar. 15 th	10:00 a.m.	+Robert O'Brien
Monday, Mar. 16 th	6:00 p.m.	+Robert O'Brien
Tuesday, Mar. 17 th	9:00 a.m.	+Stan Flynn
Wednesday, Mar. 18 th	11:30 a.m.	+Dorothy Harrington
Thursday, Mar. 19 th	11:30 a.m.	+Robert O'Brien
Friday, Mar. 20 th	6:00 p.m.	+Robert White
Saturday, Mar. 21 st	8:30 a.m.	Fiona Fernandes
Saturday, Mar. 21 st	4:00 p.m.	+Robert White
Sunday, Mar. 22 nd	10:00 a.m.	+Robert White
Monday, Mar. 23 rd	6:00 p.m.	+Robert White
Tuesday, Mar. 24 th	9:00 a.m.	+Robert White
Wednesday, Mar. 25 th	11:30 a.m.	+Basil Harrington
Thursday, Mar. 26 th	11:30 a.m.	+Robert White
Friday, Mar. 27 th	6:00 p.m.	+Robert White
Saturday, Mar. 28 th	8:30 a.m.	Fiona Fernandes

Masses offered for the deceased (+)

Rosary: 20 minutes prior to weekday and Saturday morning Masses

Reconciliation: Saturday 3:30 p.m. – 3:50 p.m.

Sunday 9:30 a.m. – 9:50 a.m.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Please Pray For: Deb McCabe, Gord Winette, Alanna Ramsden, Angela Gonsalves, Maria Sousa, Maria Dias

Kindly let us know when the sick are blessed with healing.

Parish Council

Kathy O'Donnell 705-484-5742

Liturgy Committee Choir:

Joan Dunbar 705-484-5287

Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors

Diane Conway 705-484-5925

Catholic Women's League

Donna Page 705-484-0057

Finance Committee

Herb Phillipps 705-484-0547

Cemetery Board

Ruth Windatt 705-426-7117

Fundraising Committee

Mary Jane Whalen 705-484-0063

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705-484-5940

Pat Shannon Principal

Maintenance Committee

Dave McCarthy 705-426-7868

SPIRITUAL TRUTHS

There is a common way in which God is present to all creation. St. Paul referred to this all-enveloping presence of God when he quoted a Greek poet who said, "In him we live and move and have our being" (Acts 17:28). But there is another, entirely personal presence of God within those who love Him. Jesus Himself speaks of it in the Gospel of St. John, where He says: "If a man loves Me, he will keep My word, and My Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our homes with him (Jn. 14:23). This special presence of the Trinity is properly ascribed to the Holy Spirit, for as St. Paul proclaims, "God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us" (Rom.5:5). This presence of the Spirit, God's Gift of love within us, is called the divine indwelling.

SPIRITUAL MATTERS

The Spirit is not only intimately present within us; He is silently but actively working to transform us. If we attune ourselves to His silent promptings, then the gifts of the Holy Spirit become experienced realities in our life. There are two kinds of gifts of the Spirit. The gifts of the first kind are intended for the sanctification of the person who receives them. They are permanent supernatural qualities which enable the graced person to be especially in tune with the inspirations of the Holy Spirit. They are: Wisdom (which helps a person value the things of heaven), Understanding (which enables the person to grasp the truths of religion), Counsel (which helps one see and correctly choose the best practical approach in serving God), Fortitude (which steels a person's resolve in overcoming obstacles to living the faith), Knowledge (which helps one see the path to follow and the dangers to one's faith), Piety (which helps a person with confidence in God and an eagerness to serve Him), and Fear of the Lord (which makes a person aware of God's sovereignty and the respect due to Him and His laws).

SPIRITUAL WISDOM

A second kind of gifts of the Spirit are called charisms. They are extraordinary favours granted principally for the help of others. In 1 Corinthians 12:6-11, nine charisms are mentioned. They are: the gifts of speaking with wisdom, speaking with knowledge, faith, healing, miracles, prophecy, discerning of spirits, tongues, and interpreting speeches. As a result of the Spirit's presence, we live and respond to God in a totally new way. We live a "graced" life that is good, really pleasing to God. Under the Spirit's influence, we live a life of love that builds up Christ's Body, the Church. Being "in the Spirit" with rest of the Church, we live with others in such a way as to build a spirit of love and community wherever we are.

Truly in Christ,

Fr. Anthony Gonsalves