

March 29, 2015



ST. ANDREW'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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TIMES OF MASSES AND MASS INTENTIONS

DATE	TIME	MASS FOR
Saturday, Mar. 28 th	5:00 p.m.	+Robert White
Sunday, Mar. 29 th	8:30 a.m.	+Robert O'Brien
Sunday, Mar. 29 th	10:30 a.m.	+Robert White
Monday, Mar. 30 th	6:00 p.m.	+Robert White
Tuesday, Mar. 31 st	9:00 a.m.	+Robert White
Wednesday, Apr. 1 st	11:30 a.m.	+Dorothy Harrington
Thursday, Apr. 2 nd	7:00 p.m.	+Robert White
Friday, Apr. 3 rd	3:00 p.m.	
Saturday, Apr. 4 th	7:00 p.m.	+Robert White
Sunday, Apr. 5 th	8:30 a.m.	Antonia Pickarz
Sunday, Apr. 5 th	10:30 a.m.	Members of Our Parish
Monday, Apr. 6 th	6:00 p.m.	+Marie Brossard
Tuesday, Apr. 7 th	9:00 a.m.	+Rosemary Kyrie
Wednesday, Apr. 8 th	10:00 a.m.	+Basil Harrington
Thursday, Apr. 9 th	11:30 a.m.	+Robert White
Friday, Apr. 10 th	11:30 a.m.	+Robert O'Brien
Saturday, Apr. 11 th	8:30 a.m.	Fiona Fernandes

Masses offered for the deceased (+)

Rosary: 20 minutes prior to weekday and Saturday morning Masses

Reconciliation: Saturday 4:30 p.m. – 4:50 p.m.

Sunday 8:00 a.m. – 8:20 a.m. & 10:00 a.m. – 10:20 a.m.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

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

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

Maintenance Committee

Dave McCarthy 705-426-7868

Fundraising Committee

Mary Jane Whalen 705-484-0063

Foley Catholic School

705-484-5940

Pat Shannon Principal

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

Date	Offertory	Restoration
February 1 st	\$1247.25	\$ 675.00
February 8 th	\$1536.25	\$ 230.00
February 15 th	\$1242.25	\$ 503.25
February 22 nd	\$1652.50	\$ 382.00

THANK YOU to all parishioners for your generous contributions!

SPIRITUAL TRUTHS

Palm Sunday begins the great week of the liturgical year. In Holy Week, we commemorate the chief mysteries of our divine faith and contemplate the words and deeds of Jesus in the last days of His earthly life.

Holy Thursday is in the middle of Holy Week, when we celebrate the institution of the greatest sacrament, the Most Holy Eucharist. We also celebrate the institution of the Christian priesthood to perpetuate the Eucharist for us and to give us spiritual help. The washing of feet by Jesus has a meaning much deeper than what appears at first sight. It is a loving, exemplary, and purifying act. Good Friday (Fast and abstinence) reminds us that Jesus became one like us in all things except sin. He became one with the weak and suffering humanity. He was wounded for our transgressions. He died for us and instead of us. Greater love than this no man has.

Easter Sunday celebrates Jesus' resurrection. He rebuilt in three days the temple that was destroyed, and by so doing, became "the first born from the dead". He proved that He had the power to lay down His life and to take it up again. His enemies were put to shame. His disciples rejoiced. The guards were frightened. Those who challenged Him were defeated. Jesus rose glorious from the tomb.

SPIRITUAL MATTERS

The sad events of Calvary had broken and terrorised the disciples. They were totally disappointed with what happened on Good Friday. They never expected that their Master who commanded the forces of nature, healed the sick and raised the dead would meet such a sad end. If the end of their Master was so miserable, what would be their end! Out of fear they had gone in hiding when Mary Magdalene brought them the news of the Resurrection. She had gone to the tomb before daybreak, not to meet the risen Lord but to anoint His lifeless Body. Jesus rewarded her deep love by granting her the first audience after His Resurrection.

SPIRITUAL WISDOM

Jesus' Resurrection is the guarantee of the resurrection of the dead. In his first letter to the Corinthians, St. Paul says, "Since our message is that Christ has been raised from death, how can some of you say that the dead will not be raised to life? The Resurrection of Christ is the basis and foundation of our resurrection. If we faithfully follow in His footsteps, we too shall rise with Christ in glory. If we remain united with Him here on earth, we shall remain united with him in heaven, too. May the hope of our resurrection help us to live a genuine Christian life: a life of truth and justice, a life of love and generosity, a life of humility and kindness, a life of service and selflessness, a life of joy and peace.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you and your loved ones a Blessed Easter! Thanks for all that you do to build the Body of Christ.

Truly in Christ,

Fr. Anthony Gonsalves