

January 31, 2016



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TIMES OF MASSES AND MASS INTENTIONS

DATE	TIME	MASS FOR
Saturday, January 30 th	4:00 p.m.	Donna & Bob Page & Family
Sunday, January 31 st	10:00 a.m.	Anne Marie Seymour
Monday, February 1 st	9:00 a.m.	Jason & Caitlin
Tuesday, February 2 nd	9:00 a.m.	Melissa & Joshua Morton & Family
Wednesday, February 3 rd	9:00 a.m.	Mario, Tracie & Family
Thursday, February 4 th	9:00 a.m.	+Basil Harrington
Friday, February 5 th	9:00 a.m.	+Dorothy Harrington
Saturday, February 6 th	8:30 a.m.	+Nelson Puetz
Saturday, February 6 th	4:00 p.m.	Mary Jane & Dale Whalen & Family
Sunday, February 7 th	10:00 a.m.	+Nelson Puetz
Monday, February 8 th	9:00 a.m.	+Basil Harrington
Tuesday, February 9 th	9:00 a.m.	Maryann, Shawn & Henry Mulvenna
Wednesday, February 10 th	10:00 a.m.	School Mass
Wednesday, February 10 th	6:30 p.m.	+Dorothy Harrington
Thursday, February 11 th	9:00 a.m.	Ralph & Zoe
Friday, February 12 th	9:00 a.m.	Rocco & Marie DiMambro
Saturday, February 13 th	8:30 a.m.	+Dorothy Harrington

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.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Daily from 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

Bible Study: Every Wednesday 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Prayer Group Meeting: Every Tuesday 9:45 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

NOTE: Winter Weekend Mass Hours Beginning November 7th

Saturday Evenings 4:00 p.m. Sunday Mornings 10:00 a.m.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Please Pray For: Angela Gonsalves, Maria Sousa, Maria Dias, Antonia Pickarz, Ethan-Nicholas Galdick, Pamela Murray, Mary Dunham, Ivor (Buster) Johnston, Aaron David Martin, Kathleen Scott, Rod Kerr

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

Parish Council Kathy O'Donnell 705-484-5742	Finance Committee Herb Phillipps 705-484-0547	Fundraising Committee Mary Jane Whalen 705-484-0063
Liturgy Committee Choir: Joan Dunbar 705-484-5287 Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors Diane Conway 705-484-5925	Cemetery Board Ruth Windatt 705-426-7117	Foley Catholic School 705-484-5940 Pat Shannon Principal
Catholic Women's League Donna Page 705-484-0057	Maintenance Committee Dave McCarthy 705-426-7868	

UPCOMING EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

C.W.L.:

Membership fees are now due.

The next C.W.L. meeting is scheduled for Saturday, February 6th after the 8:30 a.m. Mass.

PAINT NITE FUNDRAISER: Saturday, February 13th from 7p.m. to 9p.m.

Come out to the Brechin Legion for some painting enjoyment! Learn to paint with the help of our instructor, Amanda Burke and let your creative juices flow. **No experience necessary!**

Cost: \$45 plus HST

Tickets **MUST** be purchased in advance and there are only a few seats left (no tickets will be sold at the door). Sign up now at

<https://paintnite.com/events/932398.html> to buy your ticket or contact: Mary Jane Whalen @ (705) 484-0063

ST. COLUMBKILLE'S ANNUAL LASAGNA DINNER: Saturday, February 13th. Social time 6:00p.m. Dinner at 6:30p.m.

Dinner includes: Salad, rolls, homemade lasagna, homemade pie, and a beverage.

Tickets are limited, so get yours early. Contact Karen McIsaac @ 705-325-9904 or Margaret Mulvihill @ 705-325-1715.

Cost: \$20 per adult, Children under 12 years \$10

Family price \$50 (includes 2 adults and up to 3 children under 12)

Children under 3 are free.

Saturday evening mass will be celebrated at 5:00 p.m. instead of the usual 7:00 p.m. to accommodate the dinner.

Should you have any upcoming events you would like to have published in the bulletin, please contact Cathy White 705-484-0058

MATRIMONY

God instituted marriage by creating human beings, both male and female, in His own image which is love. Mutual love and procreation are essential aspects of the nature of man and woman. The scriptural account of Genesis confirms this. Matrimony is the sacrament through which a baptized man and a baptized woman join themselves for life in lawful marriage, which is a covenant of love and a "partnership of the whole of life." As an agreement to be faithful to each other for life, marriage is a covenant. It mirrors the nuptial covenant of God with Israel and of Christ with redeemed humanity. Marriage has been taken up into the redemption Christ won for us. The Church sees in Christ's presence at the wedding in Cana His intention to sacramentalize marriage, that is, to make it "an efficacious sign" of His presence which "signifies and communicates grace."

THE DIMENSIONS OF CHRISTIAN MARRIAGE

The purpose of Matrimony is twofold: the mutual love and communion of husband and wife, and the generation and proper upbringing of children. These two purposes – the giving of life and the giving of love – are inseparable. Christian marriage is a sacred sign recalling the perpetual love of Christ and His Church. Christ strengthens the union of the married couple through the special Sacramental grace of Matrimony, which helps them become holy through their married life.

A Catholic receives the sacrament of Matrimony when he or she marries in the Church or with the Church's permission. To receive the sacrament of Matrimony worthily it is necessary to be free from serious sin, to know and understand the duties of married life, and to obey the laws of the Church concerning marriage. Couples are encouraged to wed at a nuptial Mass, rather than simply at the nuptial ceremony, so that they will seal their mutual self-giving within the celebration of Christ's self-offering for the Church. By receiving communion they receive the Body and Blood of Christ and truly form "one body" in the Lord.

The sign of Matrimony is the exchange of vows to love and be loyal to one another for a lifetime. The indispensable aspect of Matrimony is the free and lawful exchange of consent. The man and woman give and accept one another for the purpose of establishing a marriage. The term "marriage vows" is popularly used to emphasize the solemnity of the covenant. This exchange of vows is sealed by the Holy Spirit's blessing upon the new covenant of love. In the Latin Church, the man and woman who are receiving Matrimony give the sacrament to each other. The priest or deacon witnesses the sacrament and gives the couple God's blessing. In the Eastern rites, the priest is the minister of the sacrament. To receive the sacrament of Matrimony a person must be baptized, freely consent and not already be married.

Preparation for marriage starts in the home, where children can see Christian marriage lived out through the example of their parents, even when difficulties and problems arise. Later, suitable instruction about marriage, living a good Christian life, prayer and receiving the sacraments can help the couple prepare for marriage.

Truly in Christ,

Fr. Anthony Gonsalves