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Children's Liturgy: September - June

Weekday Masses  
Tuesday 6:00 pm  
Wednesday through Friday 8:30 am  
Rosary/Adoration before Weekday Masses

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Sat 4 - 4:45 pm or before weekday Masses

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Hospitality:  
5:00 pm - Tom Lannan  
9:00 am - Dan Tonello  
11:00 am - Sam Zuvic

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The 2nd Sunday of  
Lent - Year C  
  
This is my Son,  
my Chosen;  
listen to Him.

Lectors:  
5:00 pm - Bettina DiGiulio  
9:00 am - Susan Foebel  
11:00 am - Theresa Ashby

Video:  
5:00 pm - Albert DeLaat  
9:00 am - Dan Tonello  
11:00 am - Sandy MacIntyre



# March 16, 2025 A.D. The 2nd Sunday of Lent - Year C



*Lord may the request of our  
people rise before you like a fragrant offering*

<b>Tues</b>	<b>Mar 18</b>	<b>6:00 pm</b>	+For the repose of the souls of Bill & Noreen Lannan	by Tom & Carmen Lannan
<b>Wed</b>	<b>Mar 19</b>	<b>8:30 am</b>	<i>St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i> For a Mass in Thanksgiving of St. Jude	by Toni Edwards
<b>Thurs</b>	<b>Mar 20</b>	<b>8:30 am</b>	+For the repose of the soul of Bob Martine	by Liz & Al Martine
		<b>7:00 pm</b>	RCIA Class	
<b>Fri</b>	<b>Mar 21</b>	<b>8:30 am</b>	+For the repose of the soul of Annina D’Uva	by the Hendrik’s family
		<b>7:00 pm</b>	Stations of the Cross	
			<i>The 3rd Sunday of Lent</i>	
<b>Sat</b>	<b>Mar 22</b>	<b>5:00 pm</b>	+For the living and deceased members of St. Patrick’s Parish	
<b>Sun</b>	<b>Mar 23</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	+For the repose of the soul of Edd Typer	
		<b>11:00 am</b>	+For the repose of the soul of Piersante Barbarossa	by Lily & Dino Sicoli

## ARE YOU FULLY AWAKE?

We followed Jesus into the desert where He fasted and prayed. Now He leads us up a mountain to witness His Transfiguration. Why both of these experiences?

He is preparing us to go with Him in a few short weeks to a hilltop, Golgotha, where He will lay down His life for our sake - and finally to take us to an empty cave where He triumphed over sin and death once and for all.

Jesus perfectly understands our humanity. He knows we need desert experiences - times of self-denial and testing - in order to arrive at mountain-top moments when we see and feel His glorious presence in our lives. The purpose of these two types of experiences is summed up in the description of the Apostles who were with Jesus at that mountain-top experience: “Peter and his companions had been overcome by sleep, but becoming fully awake, they saw his glory....”

The reason for all of our fasting and prayer and almsgiving during lent is to be reawakened to all God has done for humanity and to all that He has done for each of us personally. It is all too easy to get lulled into complacency in our daily routines, to “sleepwalk” through life, getting up and getting ourselves and maybe kids out the door, going to work, returning home for dinner and dishes, meetings, or sports activities, and finally flopping on the couch to watch TV until bedtime. While there is nothing inherently sinful in this routine, we are called to so much more!



We are called to be fully awake and alert to the love of the Holy Trinity that dwells within us through our Baptism and surrounds us at every moment. How do we know this is true? We wouldn’t be alive at all but for the love of God that sustains us second by second! And we would not have eternal salvation and the perfect joy of heaven awaiting us if Jesus had not come and died for us.

The disciplines of lent are not meant to make us miserably “hangry” until Easter arrives, and we can eat chocolate in peace once again. The prayer and fasting and offering of ourselves to the poor are intended to shake us free from any apathy that has crept into our lives so that we can see His glory in everyday moments.

When we intentionally set aside time for prayer, He will give us exactly the wisdom we need to face what comes later in the day. When we bring a little discomfort into our lives by the sacrifices we make, we realize just how weak and dependent we are on Him. When we reach out to those who have less materially, we realize the abundance of blessings we have. These are mountain-top moments. They bring us back to our senses and fill us with gratitude to God - which in turn spurs us on to give Him more of ourselves.

This Lent, let us train ourselves, or more precisely, we allow Him to train us to say “Yes” to His will and to offer our lives back to Him in gratitude. In so doing we, too, become “transfigured.” This is what it means to live fully awake; this is a stewardship way of life, and it is glorious indeed.

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## PARISH FINANCIAL SUPPORT

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## STATIONS OF THE CROSS

For Roman Catholics throughout the world, the Stations of the Cross are synonymous with Lent, Holy Week and, especially, Good Friday. This devotion is also known as the "Way of the Cross".



Join us as we walk with Jesus through the Stations of the Cross every **Friday at 7pm** during Lent. Please come and spend some time with Jesus on his way to Calvary.

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## SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

On Sat, Apr 5, 2025, in every parish church across the diocese a priest will be available from 10am – 2pm to hear individual confessions. No matter how long it has been, you are welcome to celebrate the Sacrament of Penance, which assists us in spiritual discipline as we turn away from sin and open our hearts to reconciliation and healing; or you can also simply come to pray before the Lord.

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## FASTING, PRAYERS AND ALMSGIVING

As we begin this Lenten Season, let us contemplate what this time means and how the three pillars of Lent lead us to a closer relationship with God.

In **prayer**, we draw closer in relationship with God. Pray now especially for peace in our world. Prayer is essential for fasting and almsgiving because prayer gives us the strength to fast. **Fasting and abstinence** makes sense if it really chips away at our security and, as a consequence, benefits someone else. In addition to the above traditional forms, try fasting from social media, technology, gossip, and excessive screen time. Fasting reminds us of our hunger for God. Fasting and abstinence is observed every Friday during Lent and on Ash Wednesday. **Almsgiving** (giving) is a response to God, one that we can come to through prayer and fasting. It is a way to live out our gratitude for all that God has given us. Prayer, Fasting, and Almsgiving lead us to the heart of what Lent is about - a deeper conversion.

## DIOCESAN INITIATIVES IN OUR JUBILEE YEAR

The MESSAGES OF HOPE Speaker Series continues. Messages of Hope sessions are free;

Everyone is welcome!

Register using this QR Code

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Upcoming sessions in the Series:

Nick Ali, Director of Evangelization &

Faith Formation for the diocese

Topic: Hope in Evangelization

Tuesday, March 18 @ 7:00 pm at St. Kevin's Church,  
303 Niagara Street, Welland.

April 30, 2025 Speaker: Father Peter Rowe, Pastor,  
St. Vincent de Paul Parish

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## GRIEF RECOVERY OUTREACH PROGRAM

Begins Thursday Mar 13, 2025

Continues every Thursday for 12 weeks

3:45 pm at St. Patrick’s Church (Pastoral Room)

123 King St. Port Colborne, On

This is a FREE seminar. An RSVP is required.

To register, contact:

Armstrong Funeral Home—905-834-3483 or

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## EASY PRAYERS TO HELP TO CONNECT TO GOD

### DURING LENT

Choose one and say it everyday

“God, may Your light guide my day,  
and your spirit bring me peace. Amen.”

“God, may my sacrifice of today of  
(state your Lenten sacrifice)  
remind me of my dependence on You  
for all the blessings I enjoy. Amen.”

”May I stand in solidarity today  
with all my brothers and sisters around the world  
who are suffering.  
May we be united in your love,  
and may I work to build your kingdom here on earth.”

“Heavenly Father,  
I’m truly sorry for the moments today  
where I missed the mark.  
I ask for your forgiveness and the strength  
to better follow Your call tomorrow. Amen.”

”God, I lift up  
(name of the person you’d like to pray for) today.  
I ask that you bless them abundantly today  
and throughout Lent. Amen.”

“Oh Jesus, I surrender myself to you,  
take care of everything. Amen.”