



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH
 386 Rogers Street, Peterborough, ON K9H 1W7
 705-742-5466

3rd SUNDAY OF LENT

March 3, 2024.

MASSES FOR MARCH 5TH – MARCH 10TH

English Rosary: Saturday 4:10 p.m. / Sunday 9:10 a.m. / Polish Rosary: Sunday 10:30 a.m.

Tuesday, March 5 th	8:30 a.m.	+	Lisa Mary Bean, requested by Brian Staunton
Wednesday, March 6 th	8:30 a.m.	+	Reg & Mary Shaughnessy, requested by the family
Thursday, March 7 th	8:30 a.m.	+	Lisa Mary Bean, requested by Paul & Mary O'Brien
Friday, March 8 th	8:30 a.m.	+	Baby Camille Heart Bitten, req. by Peter, Lucy & Kate Dawson
Saturday, March 9 th	4:30 p.m.	+	Tammy Scott, requested by Lynn Nolan
Sunday, March 10 th	9:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	+ –	Tony & Flossie Bovie, requested John Bovie & Marie Moser <i>For the people of Immaculate Conception parish</i>

+ Mass for the Deceased / – Mass for the Living

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Neave Alderson, Tim Ayotte, Fr. Bart Burke, M.J.B., Pam Caravaggio, John Dawson, Michael Dawson, Brian Eberle, Donna Ellis, Marie Green, Sawyer Growden, Julianna & Mary Hauer, Cathy Lochner, Keith Mathieson, Peter McCarthy, Barb McKinnon, Al & Pat McPhail, Nixon Parsons, Charlene Purcell, Gail & John Terrion, Kasia Tryba, Linda vanTol, Rose Marie Vitarelli, Sally Weglarz, Clint Young and those who have no one to pray for them. **MAY GOD BLESS YOU AND KEEP YOU CLOSE TO HIS HEART.**

CONGRATULATIONS! To all our couples celebrating Wedding Anniversaries this month, especially Sue & Don Smith on March 16th. **MAY GOD BLESS YOU WITH HIS LOVE AND YOUR HAPPINESS!** *(Five-year milestones are recognized every month, so please let the parish office know your wedding date, so that your marriage may also be recognized.)*

BULLETIN ADVERTISING: We are presently seeking new ads for the bulletin and renewal of existing ads. Advertising your talents on our bulletin cover is a great way to help offset the costs of running our parish. A colour ad is also posted on the bulletin page of our website at no additional cost. If you or someone you know is interested, please contact the office at **705-742-5466**.

40 CANS FOR 40 DAYS

Food collected: 99.8 lbs
Cash collected: \$0

Since Ash Wednesday 99.8 pounds of food has been delivered to the Saint Vincent de Paul Food Pantry, helping feed nearly 2,000 needy neighbours.



(Food can be put into the blue bins at the doors of the church and money can be placed into the collection basket in a marked envelope at Mass.)



"PLEDGE OF FUTURE GLORY" LENTEN MISSION: The city-wide Lenten Mission at the Cathedral of St. Peter-in-Chains will be held from **March 11th to 13th**. The daily session will be held at 11:00 a.m. and repeated at 7:00 p.m. The 7:00 p.m. session will be live streamed via the following Zoom links:

Monday, March 11 — <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rd2DWwp5KDY>
 Tuesday, March 12 — <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5H3yjqGOSVw>
 Wednesday, March 13 — <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6wocW-W8QJ4>

JOURNEY THROUGH LENT—VIDEO SERIES: Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops Lenten video series entitled *"Journey through Lent"* is available on their [website](#). Enjoy short 6–8-minute inspiration.


EXODUS & EXILE: The St. Paul Centre (USA) Lenten program of reflection and transformation with hosts Dr. Scott Hahn and Dr. John Bergsma. [MORE INFO](#)

PASTORAL LETTER—UKRAINE: The Canadian Council of Churches has released a Pastoral Letter calling for prayers to end the war in Ukraine. Its release is the two-year anniversary of the start of the conflict on February 24. [UKRAINE, CANADA AND THE CHURCH PASTORAL LETTER](#)

“ONE OF GOD’S GREATEST GIFTS IS FREEDOM.”

PRO-LIFE 101 FOR YOUTH—DEFENDING THE PRO-LIFE POSITION: The Peterborough Pro-Life Association and the Peterborough Diocesan Youth Office presents an evening of Pro-life. Enjoy an informative talk, tasty snacks and fellowship with other pro-life youth on **March 7th**, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the Bishop Doyle Hall, 317 Hunter Street West. Please note that this is a youth-tailored event and is free of charge.

LA VERNA MINISTRIES LENTEN RETREAT: Lenten Retreat on *Forgiveness* on **March 9th** at La Verna, 820 Frank Street, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at a cost of \$30. Registration is required at laverna@capuchins.ca.

 **FUN QUIPS FROM FR. PETER:** The pastor was not feeling well during Mass, so he leaned over to the Deacon at the last minute and asked him to preach the homily. As he began his homily, the Deacon said, "You know, a substitute preacher like me is like a piece of cardboard in a broken window. He fills the space, but he is not the real glass." After Mass, a parishioner came up to the Deacon and tried to give him a compliment. "You weren't a replacement at all, Deacon Bob," she said. "You were a real pane".

GALA DINNER---25TH ANNIVERSARY: Our Lady of Mount Carmel is hosting a gala dinner for Fr. Joseph Devereaux on the occasion of his 25th year of priesthood on Saturday, **April 6th**, at 5:30 p.m., at Dreamland Resort, 885 River Rd, Hastings. Dinner, silent auction, and guest speaker: proceeds will help to support his studies at Pope Leo XIII Institute. Tickets are \$100 before March 20; \$125 after March 20; and \$50 to sponsor clergy and religious. For tickets: contact Jennifer Seymour, **1-647-261-2230** office@ladyofmountcarmelhastings.ca

PROJECT RACHEL: [Project Rachel at the Refuge](#) is offering a retreat **April 19-21**, for women who are suffering the effects of abortion. Project Rachel retreats have been offered for women whose pain has been silenced and denied by the world. E-mail in confidence: projectrachel@stmarysrefuge.org.

<i>February Financial Comparison</i>			
<i>We appreciate your continued support to cover basic parish expenses. You can see that our Offertory Income is not covering our monthly expenses. This month the Gas bill was \$1,829.94 and snow and sanding expenses totaled \$1,794.24. We appreciate your help to keep us afloat!</i>			
	2024	2023	2022
Operating Expenses	\$15,094.64	—	—
Offertory Income	\$10,472.20 (4 Sundays)	\$ 10,170.85 (4 Sundays)	\$ 9583.25 (4 Sundays)
Camp Northern Lights	\$ 625.00	\$ 765.40	—



“Do not give in to the pessimism that depresses, do not give in to the fear that isolates, do not give in to the discouragement caused by the memory of bad experiences, do not give in to the fear that paralyzes. Jesus tells us, “I want you to be free. I want you alive, I will not abandon you and I am with you!”.

—Pope Francis