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# Fifth Sunday of Lent – March 18, 2018

*Everyone will have God's law written on their hearts, and their sins forgiven.*

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<b>Tue, Mar 20</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	Doreen Chauvin by Frank & Nancy Tremblay
	<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>Regional Penitential Service at Holy Name Church</b>
<b>Wed, Mar 21</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	Joan Turcotte by Al & Bette Lamothe
<b>Thu, Mar 22</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	Armand Duguay by Michael & Delma Ketter
	<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>Mass of Chrism at Pro-Cathedral Church</b>
<b>Fri, Mar 23</b>	<b>Sacrament of the Sick</b>	
	<b>9:00 am</b>	Intentions of Len Weisflock by JulieAnn Smrke
	<b>10:00 am – 3:00 pm</b>	<b>All Day Confessions at Pro-Cathedral Church</b>
	<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>Way of the Cross</b>
<b>Sat, Mar 24</b>	<b>PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION</b>	
	<b>5:00 pm</b>	Deceased Goulet & Lecomble Families by Claudette & Family John & Mary Wilkolaski by Stan
<b>Sun, Mar 25</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	Michelina & Giuseppe Scarfone by Family Mignonne Serran by Denise & Anne
	<b>11:00 am</b>	For the intentions of all parishioners by Father Francis



Sunday, March  
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Thank you for  
your generous  
contributions!

**PRAYER LINE:** *In sorrow and suffering, go straight to God with confidence, and you will be strengthened, enlightened and instructed.* If you or any member of your family, or anyone you know, is sick, in distress or experiencing troubling times, we invite you to call the Parish Office to place that person on our prayer list.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK:**

**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED:**

*“Change my heart and help me to follow the way.”*

## **Regional Penitential Service**

**Tuesday, March 20**

Holy Name of Jesus Church at 7:00 pm  
Followed by Individual Confession.



## **All Day Individual Confessions**

**Friday, March 23**

Pro-Cathedral of the Assumption  
10:00 am to 3:00 pm

**Mass of Chrism** hosted at Pro-Cathedral Church at 7:00 PM on Thursday March 22. Everyone is invited as we witness our priests renew their vows. Reception to follow.

## **CHUCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING**

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in June 2018 and supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 1-800-268-2637.

## **CWL NEWS**

The Catholic Women's League *Executive Meeting* will be held on Wednesday, March 28<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 pm in the Parish Hall.

## **WISDOM QUOTE:**

“To work without attachment is to work without the expectation of reward or fear of any punishment in this world or the next. Work so done is a means to the end, and God is the end.” Ramakrishna

**The Promises of Fatima:** Come pray the Rosary with a group of dedicated people who form a Fr. Gobbi Cenacle honouring our Blessed Virgin Mary. Wednesday mornings at 9:30am at St. Peter's Parish.

## **Good Friday Pontifical Collection on March 30, 2018 for the benefit of the Holy Land**

The Pontifical Collection for the benefit of the Holy Places is scheduled this year on Good Friday, March 30, 2018. Our parish, once a year on Good Friday, is called to support Christians in the Holy Land. Many Christians in the Holy Land depend on the collection for their lives.

As a Pontifical collection requested by Pope Francis, the annual Good Friday Collection helps to maintain not only the Holy Places above all, but also the pastoral, welfare, educational and social works that the Church carries out to the benefit of the Christian brothers and sisters and the local population.

**Embracing Stewardship**

Although Christ was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered.

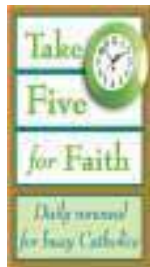
Hebrews 5:8



Although suffering is part of life, Christians have always sought to alleviate suffering wherever possible. A steward seeks out ways to soften the difficulties of life for family and friends, for neighbors and those far away.

**Schedule of Events**

- Mon 10:00 am** Rising Stars (Parish Hall)
- Tue 6:30 pm** Baptism Prep
- Wed 9:30 am** Cenacle – Rosary (Church)
- 6:30 pm** Parish Hall Occupied
- 6:30 pm** Choir Practice – All Members  
*New Members Always Welcome!*
- Thu 8:00 am** SNAP
- Sun 12:00 pm** Choir Practice – All Members  
*New Members Always Welcome!*



**Yes, we can!**

Maybe it feels like something’s holding you back: lack of education or funds, past decisions or old wounds, complicated relationships or too many responsibilities. But in the big picture, only two things impede our liberty: sin and death. If we could get beyond those two, we walk into perfect freedom. The good news is, we can! In today’s Scrutiny, we celebrate how the “death-dealing” power of evil gives way to the “life-giving sacraments” that make it possible for us to walk free of every episode of death. What binds you? Jesus is calling you to freedom.

*“O my people, I will open your graves and have you rise from them.”*

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**Development & Peace: Solidarity Sunday**

We wish to thank you for your generosity on this Development and Peace Solidarity Sunday. Your donation will be used to help our sisters and brothers all over the world – from Lebanon to Cambodia, to Nigeria and beyond! The theme of our Share Lent campaign *Together for Peace*, invites us to build peace through dialogue and reconciliation and to consider mercy as a source of hope for the future. This is what Pope Francis underlined on the occasion of the Jubilee of Mercy: “Mercy is the force that reawakens us to new life and instills in us the courage to look to the future with hope.” Thank you for helping us create a future filled with hope!

2018 Share Lent Campaign Guide & Liturgical Resources

**New Evangelization Summit** – Friday, April 27 from 7 PM to 9:30 PM and Saturday, April 28 from 8:45 AM to 4:30 PM the New Evangelization Summit will be live-streamed from Ottawa to North Bay at St. Joseph-Scollard Hall School. The conference includes world class Catholic speakers Sr. Ann Shields, Curtis Martin, Michael Dopp, George Wiegel, Patrick Madrid and Christy Dupuis equipping us with the tools for evangelization and Catholicism in our world today. Cost of \$25 includes lunch and light refreshments. Anyone wishing to attend is asked to register online or at their parish office. Make cheques payable to North Bay Regional Parishes. For information about the Summit visit the Ottawa website at [www.newevangelization.ca](http://www.newevangelization.ca) For further inquires contact Len at [lslanthier@gmail.com](mailto:lslanthier@gmail.com) 492-8311 or the parish office.

SCRIPTURE READINGS: Mar 19-25	
Monday	2 Samuel 7.4-5,12-14,16; Romans 4.13,16-18,22; Matthew 1.16,18-21,24
Tuesday	Numbers 21.4-9; John 8.21-30
Wednesday	Daniel 3.13-20,24,49-50,91-95; John 8.31-42
Thursday	Genesis 17.3-9; John 8.51-59
Friday	Jeremiah 20.7,10-13; John 10.31-42
Saturday	Ezekiel 37.21-28; John 11.45-57
Sunday	Mark 11.1-10; Isaiah 50.4-7; Philipians 2.6-11; Mark 14.1-15.47

**Fifth Sunday of Lent**

**Reflect:** But with their patience worn out by the journey, the people complained against God and Moses, “Why have you brought us up from Egypt to die in this desert, where there is no food or water?”  
*Numbers 21:4-5*

**Pray:** Father, I am quick to notice what is wrong but rarely notice how much I am blessed. I take your blessings for granted. I seem to think that I have it coming to me. Father, may I be mindful of all your blessings, large and small. No matter my circumstance, I am greatly blessed. So Father, I will give up complaining. I won’t count my minuses, but I will add up my pluses. You are blessing me, and I, in turn, will bless others. Amen.

**Act:** Just for today, no more complaining.

Fr. Thomas J. Connery, Taking Lent to Heart 2015

**Volunteers Needed**

**Coffee Sunday** will be held on the last Sunday of each month beginning in April. Volunteers are needed to prepare coffee, tea, and juice and to serve sweets donated by parishioners. If you have a welcoming spirit with good social skills, and are comfortable with people, please contact the Parish Office to sign up for this fun filled ministry that is a great way to get involved and meet new people.

## St. Peter the Apostle Church Easter Schedule 2018

### *Holy Week*

#### **Palm Sunday**

Saturday, March 24 5:00 pm  
Sunday, March 25 9:00 am  
11:00 am  
  
Tuesday, March 27 9:00 am  
Wednesday, March 28 9:00 am  
11:30 am *St. Luke School Mass*

#### **Holy Thursday, Mass of the Lord's Supper**

Thursday, March 29 7:00 pm

#### **Good Friday, The Passion of the Lord**

Friday, March 30 11:00 am Children's Liturgy  
3:00 pm Passion  
5:00 pm \*Stations of the Cross

#### \*Regional Outdoor Way of the Cross

*Beginning at St. John's Anglican Church (301 Main St. East) at 5:00 pm and up Main Street to Pro-Cathedral of the Assumption Parish*

#### \*Regional Indoor Way of the Cross

*Begins at 5:45 pm at Pro-Cathedral Parish*

#### **Holy Saturday, Easter Vigil**

Saturday, March 31 8:00 pm

#### **Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord**

Sunday, April 1 9:00 am  
11:00 am

## March 18, 2018 Fifth Sunday in Lent

In today's reading from Jeremiah, the Lord declares a new covenant with his people. The Letter to the Hebrews presents Jesus as the perfect high priest. In today's Gospel, Jesus approaches his passion. The Lord reaches out once again to his people. God, ever faithful, extends his hand to those who break the covenant. No longer depending on prophets to communicate, under the new covenant each individual will know God's law, his love, his mercy. God's personal invitation calls for a personal response. Will we receive it?

### LENTEN PENITENTIAL SERVICES

*"Change my heart and help me to follow the way."*

#### **Regional Penitential Service - Tuesday, March 20**

Holy Name of Jesus Church at 7:00 PM

Followed by Individual Confession

#### **Regional Penitential Service in French**

#### **Wednesday, March 21 ~ St. Vincent de Paul at 7:00 PM**

Followed by Individual Confession

#### **All Day Individual Confessions - Friday, March 23**

Pro-Cathedral of the Assumption - 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM

**Mass of Chrism** hosted at Pro-Cathedral Church at 7:00 PM on Thursday March 22. Everyone is invited as we witness our priests renew their vows. Reception to follow.

**Divine Mercy Sunday** will be celebrated at St. Peter's Church, Sunday, April 8 at 3:00 p.m. Fellowship will follow with a potluck to share. Reminder--Begin praying the Chaplet and nine-day Novena starting on Good Friday.

**3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Pasta Dinner at Holy Name Church "With a Twist"** – Lena's Lasagna & the Trimmings & Sophia's Crepes. April 14 at 5:15 PM. Adults/\$15, Kids Under 10/\$10, Kids Under 5/Free. Tickets available by calling 497-1367. Take out will be available. Entertainment by the "Singing Godfathers"

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**The Promises of Fatima:** Come pray the Rosary with a group of people who form a Fr. Gobbi Cenacle honouring our Blessed Virgin Mary. Wednesday mornings at 9:30 AM at St. Peter's Parish.

**Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help** every Wednesday at 11:55 AM at Pro-Cathedral prior to the 12:05 PM mass.

**Open Adoration: St. Alphonsus in Callander** every Friday 8:30 AM to 12:00 Noon. First Friday 8:30 AM to 8:30 AM (24Hrs).

The Sisters of St. Joseph invite young men and women, single or married, ages 16 to 35, to fill in a survey which will assist us in planning programs for faith development. This will require approximately 10 minutes of your time. We thank you in advance for your help. Here is the link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/NYZ57HD>

**St. Joseph's Motherhouse** first Sunday of the month from 3:30-4:30 PM in Holy Family Chapel and Pro-Cathedral First Friday 10:00 AM to 12:00 Noon.

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** is held weekly at Holy Name of Jesus Church. Please come and visit Jesus even for a few minutes. He waits for us. Hours of Adoration: Monday and Thursday 12 noon to 5 pm; Tuesdays 12 noon to 7 PM; Wednesday and Friday: 12 noon to 6 pm. To make a weekly one-hour commitment, please call Gisele Champagne at 497-1911.

**CLAY- (Catholic, Love, Attitude, Yes!):** A Youth Program for JK to Grade 7, Thursday evenings 6:30-8:00 PM at St. Gregory's School Gym, back entrance. Come out and join us for games, crafts and faith teachings in a fun filled and positive environment. For more information please contact Laurie Dobbs at 724-1277 or Jessica Sheppard at 724-1835 or [jessicasheppard@gmail.com](mailto:jessicasheppard@gmail.com).

**YEO (Youth Evangelizing Others)** is a Catholic Youth Group designed for grade 8-12 students with a mission to bring other teens to know Jesus through testimonies, talks, skits, and games. Friday nights at St. Joseph-Scollard Hall Gym from 6:30 to 9:00 PM. For more information, contact Sam at 496-0456.

### Knights of Columbus Meetings

**Fr. Michael Cundari Council, 12030 at Holy Name Church:** General Meeting third Tuesday of each month at 7:30 PM  
Contact: Joe Sinicrope at 497-0604

**Corpus Christi Knights of Columbus Council 12106** now meet second Tuesday of each month with regular and executive meetings held the same day at the Canadian Forces Base Church (Queen of Peace). Contact: Art Tiernay at 358-1368  
We also collect pop cans for charity work. Please drop off your cans at Holy Name Church beside the Garage.

**Knights of Columbus Council #1007** Executive Meeting at 6:30 PM and General Meeting at 7:00 PM on the first Wednesday of each month September to June at St. Peter's Church in the Parish Hall. Refreshments served. New or transferring members can contact Mike Joy at 495-1792.

### Sisters of St. Joseph Present:

**Spring Equinox:** A time of new beginnings on Tuesday, March 20 at 7:00 PM in the McColgan Room. Weather permitting—we will roast some marshmallows! Facilitators Daniel Currier and Sister Sharon Miller. No registration needed—small donation appreciated.

**"Creation-And God Saw That It Was Good"** A six session spiritual awakening program at St. Joseph's Motherhouse that will bring us closer to our ever-more-sacred home, and that we will experience ever more deeply the amazing love which holds us in this caring Universe. Presenters Sr. Noreen Muldoon, csj and Patty Dennis. Suggested Offering \$60 for the series. Call 474-3800, ext 309 to register with Sr. Noreen. Begins April 10 and runs consecutive Tuesdays until June 12 from 9:15 to 11:45 AM

**Christian Meditation:** Each Tuesday at 1:30—2:30 pm in Holy Family Chapel. This contemplative prayer is a way to self-knowledge, self-acceptance & awareness of all that God can do in our lives when we allow it.

**Taize Prayer:** Taize Prayer is held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday each month, from 7:00—8:00 pm in the Holy Family Chapel. The intention of this prayer is for the "Gift of Reconciliation", wherever brokenness exists. This includes song, scripture, and silence. All are welcome.

# FOLLOWING CHRIST

Join us for this exciting new 8-session series where we gather together to listen to a dynamic teaching, and explore answers to some of the most important questions worth asking about God and finding ultimate purpose in life.



**Saturday mornings, April 7 to May 26 from 9:30—11:30 AM**

**Parish Hall, Pro-Cathedral of the Assumption**

**McIntyre Street Entrance (Double Grey Doors)**

**Seating Limited ~ Register Soon! Childcare provided as needed.**

**Complete below & return to parish office or go online to [christlifenorthbay.org](http://christlifenorthbay.org)**

**Call the Parish Office for More Information**

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parish: \_\_\_\_\_

*(Where you are registered and/or usually attend)*

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ (Home) \_\_\_\_\_ (Cell)

If childcare needed, list children's ages here:

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