Fourth Sunday of

LENT

22 March 2020

Pro-Cathedral of the Assumption

Do not be afraid; for I am with you.

In the first reading, the Lord sends Samuel to Jesse of Bethlehem because the Lord has chosen the new king from among Jesse's sons. Samuel goes, and anoints David *in the presence of his brothers*. In Saint Paul's Letter to the Ephesians, he exhorts them to *live as children of light*. In the Gospel, Jesus encounters a man blind from birth. After Jesus gives the man sight, the Pharisees become divided over the account. The man defends Jesus, explaining that he must be from God. Jesus' power and claims divide those who encounter him. He is the long-awaited one, and he heals all wounds, even giving sight to the blind. We can trust that Jesus can heal all the wounds of our lives, giving us sight to see and a light to follow in the darkness of sin.



Our Parish Mission Statement

We, the members of the Pro-Cathedral of the Assumption community, believe that we have been called through Baptism to live the Good News of Jesus Christ under the patronage of Mary, our Mother. We accomplish this by proclaiming the Word, celebrating the Sacraments, & reaching out to others.

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Our faith community dates back to 1886 when we were **originally located on Main Street West and called St. Mary's of** the Lake and the cornerstone of the existing Cathedral was laid in 1904. The history of our parish is recorded in the memories of thousands of people who built our community.



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Parish Sacraments



Marriage: Please pick up a Marriage Information Booklet in the Church Vestibule to review prior to contacting the parish office.

Anointing the Sick: Please call the parish office for more information.

Reconciliation: Every Saturday from 3:00 until 3:45 PM.

Eucharist: Please see mass schedule published in this bulletin. Call the parish office to arrange for a Eucharistic Minister to visit the sick and shut-in who are unable to attend Mass.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: On the First Friday of each month from 10:00 AM until 12:00 noon.

Baptism: Please pick up a Baptism Information Booklet in the Church Vestibule to review prior to contacting the parish office.

The Pro-Cathedral is **wheel chair accessible**. The entrance to the elevator is on Algonquin Avenue. Please enter the vestibule and ring the bell for an attendant. Service available at all weekend masses. Weekday masses service available 11:30 AM to 12:45 PM. A **Hearing Aid System** is available for use by the hearing impaired. Please ask an Usher or Sacristan to assist you upon entering the church.

OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK

MONDAY	**8:30 AM to 12:00 NOON**
TUESDAY - FRIDAY	**8:30 AM to 4:30 PM**

READINGS: 23 - 29 MARCH	
Monday	Isaiah 65. 17-21; John 4. 43-54
Tuesday	**Ezekiel 47. 1-9, 12; John 5. 1-16**
Wednesday	**Isaiah 7. 10-14; 8. 10d; Hebrews 10. 4-10; Luke 1. 26-38**
Thursday	Exodus 32. 7-14; John 5. 18, 31-47
Friday	**Wisdom 2. 1a, 12-22; John 7. 1-2, 10, 25-30**
Saturday	**Jeremiah 11. 18-20; John 7. 40-53**
Sunday	**Ezekiel 37. 12-14; Romans 8. 8-11; John 11. 1-45**



After a long life, Zita Tramontini, mother of Msgr. Dave, died peacefully on Wednesday, March 18 at the age of 94. Please keep him and his family in your prayers.

Cremation has taken place. In order to contribute to the common public health effort to help stem the spread of COVID-19, a mass of Christian burial will be held privately for the family. Interment will be held at Park Lawn Cemetery, Sudbury.

Easter Memorial Flowers & Decorations

At this time of year we usually offer the opportunity for parishioners to remember loved ones by donating towards decorations for the holy season.



Because we are in the unprecedented situation of cancelling our liturgies due to the coronavirus it may be that our Cathedral will not be decorated in its usual glory for Easter.

We do still wish to offer an opportunity for you to donate in the memory of loved ones and we will publish an on-line memorial list on our website and Facebook page as well as have printed copies placed in the Cathedral.

Memorial Donation Envelopes are available in the Cathedral, or you can use your own envelope. Carefully print the name of your loved ones and your name and address on your envelope. Include your donation and drop off the envelope to the parish office using the mail slot to the left of the rectory door (480 McIntyre Street West). All donations over $10 are tax deductible.

Remember your loved ones this Easter

The CWL phone committee needs help!

In this stressful time with Covid-19, it is important that we maintain connections with each other. Many are staying home to reduce the risk but there are also many who cannot get out. We would like to be in touch to ask if people are well and if they have what they need!

Our phone committee needs more people to help make these phone calls. The more volunteers, the fewer calls by each person and we can be sure to reach out to everyone.

This is an important ministry. Please consider giving your time to make sure others are safe! Contact Lorraine Atchison at 474-0613 or Shirlene Condie-McVeigh at 493-0718. More details to follow. We would like to initiate this committee as early as next week!

Reach out! Call a neighbour or a friend who may be feeling isolated and lonely.

MASS REQUESTS

Please know that all masses that were booked or requested will be re-scheduled once our liturgies begin again.



PRAYER LINE

The prayer line is a group of parishioners who pray for the needs of others. Concerns great and small are presented to the Lord on your behalf. If you have a prayer request or would like to join the group call Sister Shirley McNamara at 474-3800, Ext. 295 or Lorraine Atchison at 474-0613 and they will gladly pass them on to others who are waiting to receive your requests.

Faith in God & Prayer

What we see in the world today is chaos, confusion and fear. Now more than ever we need to have faith in God. God not only hears our prayers, but He is a God who answers prayer. Why not start each day with a prayer such as this?

Dear God, please give me the strength to face the day and see the many blessings it contains. Give me the courage to walk on, no matter how long the path or how many turns in the road. Guide my thoughts so I will walk in love and peace and with gratitude in my heart.
I ask that you would heal those who suffer at this time from sickness; that you would bring love and kindness to those who are lonely; and that you would bring peace to our world.
Help me to trust in You. In Jesus' name. Amen

Aiding Your Church ~ The Message of Stewardship

Thank you to those who have decided to use pre-authorized giving methods for 2020. This donation method is appreciated and especially helpful to our parish at this time.

Forms for Visa/Mastercard & Automatic Bank Withdrawals are in the Cathedral and can be found on our website at procathedral.ca under ABOUT US (Stewardship/Contributions). Please consider these methods of providing support for our beautiful Cathedral.

CONSIDER THIS

You can also leave an envelope with postdated cheques in our mail slot to the left of the rectory office door at 480 McIntyre Street West.

If donating to our parish does not create any financial hardship to you we would be grateful for your continued support.