### Bulletin - March 26, 2023

#### 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent

The life we share with God is not something that begins after death. It began on the day of our baptism when the seed of God's life was planted within us for the first time. At that moment we were given the power to start seeing as Jesus sees, to love as he loves and to follow him to the right hand of the father. These last days of Lent are about joining ourselves to the passion and death of Christ by deepening our response to his way of life; prayer, penance, acts of charity and personal conversion are the soil in which this life grows. -Desmond Knowles-

The Sanctuary Lamp burns to remind us of Christ's presence in the Blessed Sacrament.

This week the Sanctuary Lamp burns

#### FOR A SPECIAL INTENTION

If you wish to sponsor the sanctuary lamp for one week the stipend is \$10.00

Please do not attend any Mass if you are experiencing any symptoms such as a stuffy or runny nose, cough, sore throat, fever, headache, pink eye, decreased appetite etc...

#### **Mass Intentions**

#### 5th Sunday in Lent - March 26, 2023

Sat. Mar. 25 -5 pm - for the people

Sun. Mar. 26 - 9:30 am - John Domarchuk (50th anniversary of his death) (Cecile Gould)

Tues. Mar. 28 –9:00 am – St. Martha School Mass –at the school

Wed. Mar. 29 - 9:00 am – Mary Boyle (Jack)

Thurs. Mar. 30 –9:00 am – Unannounced

Fri. Mar. 31 - 9:30 am – Holy Name School Mass -at the church (everyone welcome)

Palm Sunday - April 2, 2023

Sat. Apr. 1 -5 pm - for the people

Sun. Apr. 2 - 9:30 am - Mary Boyle (Jack)

**Lenten Confessions**: Saturday April 1 from 4 to 5 pm and then again after mass as necessary.

#### **Holy Week Mass Times:**

Holy Thursday – April 6 – 7 pm

Good Friday – April 7 – 2:30 pm - Stations of the Cross

3:00 pm - Passion of Christ

Holy Saturday —April 8 - 11:00 am & 11:30 am - Blessing of the Food

Easter Vigil - April 8 – 8:00 pm

Easter Sunday – Easter procession and Polish Mass 7:00 am

English Mass – 9:30 am

#### <u>The Call of the Catechist - a webinar series offered by the Canadian Conference of Catholic</u> Bishops (CCCB)

**Beginning on March 28, 2023**, the CCCB Office for Evangelization and Catechesis will offer a webinar series, The Call of the Catechist. This three-part series will explore the needs of the catechist today and will be of interest to those involved in evangelization and catechesis. Keynote speakers include Sherry Weddell (Catherine of Siena Institute), Sr. Janet Schlaffler, OP (Adrian Dominican Sisters), and Anne Walsh, D.Min. (Redemptorist Lay Missionary). To Register: https://cccb-

ca.zoom.us/webinar/register/2916776042783/WN\_Dhjog2k8R8i626WAcmCu1Q

#### Veronica's Veil Overnight Warming Center Seeking Male Volunteers

Male volunteers needed to staff 4-hour shifts throughout the night for a men's shelter at the St. Mary's Parish Centre. Contact Ann Lyn: (613)572-4892 or <a href="mailto:annlyng96@gmail.com">annlyng96@gmail.com</a>

#### **Birthright Kingston Needs Volunteers**

If you can spare 2 and a half hours per week to assist women and girls in Kingston who are facing a difficult pregnancy, please call us at 613-546-5433 or email <a href="mailto:info@kingstonbirthright.ca">info@kingstonbirthright.ca</a>. If you have experience with websites and social media you could help us from home. We provide training. Please consider helping with this lifeaffirming work.

# <u>Prison Ministry Information Tuesday evenings</u> (April 11<sup>th</sup> - May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023); 6:30 to 8:30 pm Francis J. Spence Pastoral Centre (390 Palace Road, Kingston)

Have you ever wanted to do some type of Prison Ministry but weren't sure what's involved or how to go about it? This workshop series is designed for you. Also, this is a good refresher training for Volunteers currently in this ministry. Over the course of five weekly, 2-hour sessions, participants will be introduced to key aspects, skills, and themes surrounding this ministry. Some of the topics include:

- Call to Prison Ministry
- Communication Skills
- Boundaries
- Restorative Justice
- Self-care
- Prison culture
- And more!

For more information contact Mary-Jo Mackinnon Simms at <u>religioused@archkingston.ca</u>. To sign up contact Gorett DaSilva by phone 613-548-4461 ext. 112, or e-mail: <u>pastoralservices@archkingston.ca</u>. The registration deadline is Wednesday, April 5th, 2023.

Project Rachel at St. Mary of Egypt Refuge is offering a retreat for women who suffer the loss of a child from abortion. The next retreat will take place in early May 2023 at the Refuge, near Madoc. If you are interested in this retreat, please e-mail <a href="mailto:projectrachel@stmarysrefuge.org">projectrachel@stmarysrefuge.org</a>, or phone (289)691-6840. Our web page is stmarysrefuge.org/Rachel.

<u>St. Mary's Drop-In Centre Looking for Volunteers</u> <u>260 Brock St Kingston</u> Volunteer your time to help one of our teams: We need your help with staffing shifts, collecting/organizing donations, working at our Community Garden, and fundraising. Our guests regard the church as a safe haven and we continually hear that our loving volunteers make all the difference. We strive to see Jesus in all those who come through our doors (Mt 25:40). We are always in need of more volunteers, particularly to staff the shifts at the Drop-In Centre and to provide pastoral care to our guests. To volunteer, please get in touch with **Paty Velazquez**,

Coordinator. Email: paty@stmaryscathedral.ca; Phone: (613) 546-5521

https://stmaryscathedral.ca/dropincentre/

#### Earthquake Relief

https://romancatholic.kingston.on.ca/earthquake-relief.

# School of Identity (Our Lady of Divine Fire Mission) Friday, April 21<sup>st</sup>, 6:00pm - 9:30 pm and Saturday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 8:30 am - 9:30 pm St. Paul the Apostle Church, 1111 Taylor-Kidd Blvd, Kingston

Come experience this opportunity to help you grow in your identity as a beloved son or daughter of God. This event highlights essential elements of the Encounter School of Ministry (ESM) quarter on Identity and Transformation, and is geared to help you adopt a Kingdom mindset, increase your intimacy with the Father, and prepare you to walk in your supernatural inheritance as a baptized believer in Christ. Speakers: Miriam Wright, Director of the ESM Kingston Campus, and Eric Filion, Catholic Christian Outreach (CCO). Admission is FREE for Friday evening only; \$50 for full event (\$75 for couples; \$25 for students). Registration required. Details: <a href="https://ourladyofdivinefire.regfox.com/esm-school-of-identity-april-2023">https://ourladyofdivinefire.regfox.com/esm-school-of-identity-april-2023</a>. For more information, email: <a href="mailto:kingston@encounterschool.org">kingston@encounterschool.org</a>.

## **Pray for Ukraine: Prayer of Invocation to Our Lady of All Nations**

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the Father, send now Your Spirit over the earth.

Let the Holy Spirit live in the hearts of all nations
that they may be preserved from degeneration, disasters, and the ravages of war.

May Our Lady of all Nations, the Blessed Virgin Mary, be our advocate.

Blessed Mother, Queen of Peace, pray for the people of Ukraine.

Amen.