Saint Mary's Cathedral Basilica

March 10, 2024 - Fourth Sunday of Lent

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Monday-Friday 8:30am-4:30pm Saturday 8:30am-4:30pm Sunday 8:00am-7:00pm

CATHEDRAL

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Most Rev. Brian Dunn

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Liturgy and Sacraments

Mass Times

Monday - Saturday 12:15pm

8:00am, 10:30am (with incense) Sunday

& 5:00pm

Reconciliation

Tuesday 6:30pm - 8:00pm Saturday 10:00am -11:00am

Adoration

Tuesday 6:30pm - 8:00pm Friday 11:00am - 12:00pm

Weekly Events

Rosary for Vocations - is prayed for vocations every Saturday at

11:30am. All are welcome!

The Holy Heart Schola Cantorum - sings Vespers (Evening Prayer) in Gregorian Chant every Sunday at 6:30pm. All are invited to join in or listen to this beautiful sung prayer to mark the end of the Lord's Day.

The Gathering - Join Catholic young adults for fellowship following the 5pm Mass in the Currie Room every Sunday. IG: @cyag_the gathering FB: ST. Mary's Basilica Young Adults

Adoration - Join us weekly on Tuesdays from 6:30 to 8:00pm and

Fridays from 11:00am to 12:00pm.

ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS

12:15 pm - Michael D'Souza + Saturday, March 16 12:15 pm - Therese Johnson + Monday, March 11 Tuesday, March 12 12:15 pm - Sr. Anne Veronica MacNeil Sunday, March 17 8:00 am - Missa pro populo Wednesday, March 13 12:15 pm - The Blessed Virgin Mary Sunday, March 17 10:30 am - Joanne Leck +

Thursday, March 14 12:15 pm - Bruce Wallace + Sunday, March 17 5:00 pm - Special Intention for Priests

Friday, March 15 12:15 pm - Elizabeth Charlton +

From the Desk...

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A Thought About the Daily Bread

As we approach the Lenten season, Tolkien's short and stocky hobbits come to mind. This may seem strange, but those delightful creatures won my heart. In the midst of their journey to destroy the Ring and defeat Sauron, they had much to learn.

I remember the Wizard Gandalf's wise words about combating evil: "I have found it is the small everyday deeds of ordinary folks that keep the darkness at bay. Small acts of kindness and love."

For us Lent is a time of prayer, fasting and almsgiving. We give things up to remember the One who is Love, which is good. However, what if instead we do "small acts of kindness and love" to encounter personally the One who is Love?

What if we take a few hours a week to do something for those who have less? What if we have coffee at home instead of a Café, then put the money toward food for the poor? What if instead of scrolling through social media, we spend time praying for those who are struggling?

My father taught me the Catholic tradition of making the sign of the cross and praying when walking or driving by a church. What if during Lent we make the sign of a cross when passing a tent or shelter and pray for them? Would it make a difference? Perhaps that prayer would keep "the darkness at bay."

This Lent let's change the world. The question then becomes: what acts of kindness are we willing to do to make it a better place?

A Journey Through Lent - Adoration & Confession

There will be Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Tuesdays from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm. Periods of silent prayer will be interposed with reflective music. Confession will be available. Please join us.

Easter Flower Envelopes

Donation envelopes for the purchase of Easter flowers can be found in your pews and at the Information Table. Donations can be made in memory of your loved ones. Tax receipts will be offered for donations over \$20. Mass will be celebrated on **Sunday, April 7 at 5:00 pm** for those in whose memory donations were made.

Friday Devotions - Adoration, Mass & Stations of the Cross

Every Friday during Lent there will be Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 11:00 am until noon, followed by our regular 12:15 pm Mass. After Mass, starting at 1:00 pm the Stations of the Cross will be prayed. Everyone is welcome to attend as much as they are able.

Second Collection Next Week - March 17

There will be a second collection next week to support the important work of Development and Peace. Please give generously.

Family Summit - March 23

Join us on Saturday, March 23, starting with Mass at 12:15 pm. Come and learn more about growing together as a family of faith and have fun doing it.

Catholic Women's League

March 11 at 7:00 pm in the Hall, the Catholic Women's League will be hosting our second session on the Gospel of Mark. We will also be knitting hats for the homeless post Gospel session.

Prayer - Let's create a Rosary Chain. Sign up with your name up on the two calendars at the back of the church. Let's embark on a spiritual journey with your family and friends.

Development and Peace — Caritas Canada: Training Next-Generation Farmers in Indonesia

In rural Indonesia, young people are abandoning agriculture to work in cities. Over time, this could threaten food sovereignty. Our partner PAYOPAYO empowers village communities to work together to find solutions to common challenges related to agriculture, food, energy, natural resource management and the engagement of youths, especially women. This Lent, meet our solidarity visitor Karno Batiran, the executive director of PAYOPAYO. Learn more at devp.org/lent.

Public Lecture - Converging Governmentalities: The Emergence of Catholic Residential Schools

The Department for the Study of Religions at St. Mary's University will host a public lecture entitled: Converging Governmentalities: The Emergence of Catholic Residential Schools on Monday, March 25 at 7:00 pm. *Guest speaker*: Darren Dias, OP, PhD. *Location*: St. Mary's University. All are welcome to attend.

Chrism Mass — March 26

A reminder to mark your calendars for the annual Chrism Mass on Tuesday, March 26 -12:00 noon at St. Mary's Cathedral Basilica. Save the date for this important diocesan Liturgy.

Holy Week Schedule

Chrism Mass

Tuesday, March 26 at 12:00 pm

Good Friday

Friday, March 29 at 3:00 pm

Easter Vigil

Saturday, March 30 at 8:00 pm

Holy Thursday

Thursday, March 28 at 7:00 pm

Stations of the Cross

Friday, March 29 at 7:00 pm

Easter Sunday

Sunday, April 1 at 8:00 am & 10:30 am

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FINANCIAL REPORT FOR JANUARY 2024

REVENUE:

Actual: \$34,064.35 Budget:\$45,068.91

EXPENSE:

Actual: \$46,700.53 Budget: \$52,623.40

SURPLUS/ DEFICIT:

Actual: - \$12,636.18 Budget: - \$7,554.49

Bequest in January: \$17,258.35