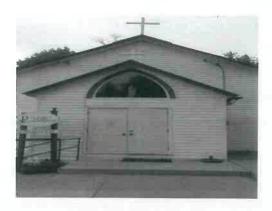
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Sacraments

Weekday Masses

Please refer to the schedule in the bulletin

Weekend Masses

Saturday - 4:30 PM (Highland Grove)

Sunday 9:00 AM (Chandos/Apsley)...

11:00 AM (Cardiff)

Baptism

by appointment

Reconciliation

30 minutes before weekend Masses

Anointing of the Sick & Communion for Shut-Ins

Please call the office 613-339-2852

Marriages

First appointment at least 6 months prior to wedding date Couples are required to attend Marriage Preparation session

Devotions

Mother of Perpetual Help Novena Wednesday 11:00 AM (Cardiff)

Eucharistic Adoration / Rosary / Benediction

First Fridays 11:30 AM (Cardiff)

First Saturdays 5:30 PM (Highland Grove)

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SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR A) FEBRUARY 12, 2023 MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Day	Location	Time	Intentions	Donors
Sat. 11	Highland Grove	4:30 PM	Deceased classmates	Peter McEnery
Sun 12	Chandos	9:00 AM	+Susan McEnery	Peter McEnery
	Cardiff	11:00 AM	For the People of the parish	
Mon.13			OFF	
Tue. 14	Highland Grove	7:00 PM	Intention of Peter	Peter McEnery
Wed.15	Cardiff	11:00 AM	Deceased family members	Peter McEnery
Thu. 16	Cardiff	11:00 AM	+Susan McEnery	Peter McEnery
Fri. 17	Cardiff	11:00 AM	Deceased classmates	Peter McEnery
Sat. 18	Highland Grove	4:30 PM	+Luella Hogan	Sandra & John Hattin
Sun. 19	Chandos	9:00 AM	Intention of Peter	Peter McEnery
		11:00 AM	For the People of the parish	

Weekly Financial Report							
	Feb. 05, 2023	Jan 29, 2023					
Highland Grove	\$95.00	\$310.30					
Chandos	\$10.00	\$ 55.00					
Cardiff	\$1010.00	\$20.00					
Total (Offertory)	\$1115.00	\$385.30					
Donation	\$540.00						
Mass Stipend		\$620.00					
POP November 30		\$1490.00					
POP December 15	\$1,655.00						

Lectors							
Date	H. Grove	Chandos	Cardiff				
	Sat. 4:30 PM	Sun. 9:00AM	Sun. 11:00 AM				
Jan. 28/29	Melissa B.	Sharon C.	Peter P.				
Feb. 4/5	Mackenzie B.	Pat C.	Peter Mc.				
Feb. 11/12	Katie B.	Sharon C.	Gary B.				
Feb. 18/19	Gary B.	Pat C.	Theresa P.				
Feb. 25/26	Melissa B.	Sharon C.	Charlene F				

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For Pre-Authorized Offertory Plan (POP) through automatic withdrawal kindly approach Fr Vic.

As always, your financial support to the church is greatly appreciated.

A MENTION IN YOUR WILL. You can give Our Lady of Lourdes a boost from heaven! Consider making a gift to the parish in your Last Will and Testament. Your final offering will help provide for the spiritual needs of future generations of Catholics. It becomes an enduring testament to your love for Christ and the Church. Thank you for thinking of us.

Readings Next Week (FEB. 19, 2023) 7TH SUNDAY
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Leviticus 19:1–2, 17–18

Be holy, for I, the Lord, your God, am holy.

1 Corinthians 3:16–23

Are you not aware that you are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwells in you?

Matthew 5:38–48

My command to you is: love your enemies, pray for your persecutors.

Background on the Gospel

The last two antitheses offered in the Sermon on the Mount deal with love of enemies. We should not look at "an eye for an eye" as an inordinately strict punishment. It is actually meant to limit acts of revenge by making sure the punishment is not excessive but fits the crime. However, Jesus asks his followers to take a different approach by resisting retaliation altogether. The response to a stronger

person who slaps us on the cheek, takes us to court, or demands a service of us is not to resist. Similarly, for a weaker person, such as a beggar or borrower, we are to give him or her what he or she asks for. Those who are called to the Kingdom of Heaven are to go beyond the way the world usually works and serve God's kingdom here on earth.

The other difficult demand of those who are called to the kingdom is to embrace the enemy. There is no command in the Old Testament to hate individuals in a personal or vindictive way. But there is a religious stance that calls one to hate evil and to distance one-self from those who participate in evil. In contrast, Matthew emphasizes that love of God and love of neighbor are the fundamental commands on which all else depend. Because God's love is unconditional, we are to strive to love as God does, though, of course, it is challenging. Is it even possible?

The key is in the final verse. We are to be perfect as our heavenly father is perfect. Matthew uses the Greek word telos, which is probably better translated here as "complete." We are not to be perfect as in doing everything correctly, that is, as in being absolutely morally correct. We are to be perfect as in striving to reach the completeness we are called to in the Kingdom of Heaven. Attempting to love our enemies is part of striving for that completeness. (Loyola Press)

Pray for those in need of healing and health

Philip Hughes, Nick Novakowski, Rhys Telka, Jane Tsagrinos, Fr. Bart Burke, Eileen Carr, Ella Richard, Emilee Callzonetti, Pierre Longevin, Eleanor Cadeau, Hermance Therrien, Sally Rayes, George Chennette, Shannon Reid, Megan Connelly, Regina Gedge, Dan, Claudette Wilkinson, Patricia Weston, Eley Wisniewski, Al & Laura Quinn, Patricia Weston, Josie Recto, Sr. Naty Noblezada, Theresa Yaskolski, Even Marshall, Danny Wanless

MARRIAGE IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH, FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS!. 5. SHOULD COUPLES REALLY POSTPONE SEX UNTIL THEY GET MRRIED?

We should say what we mean and mean what we say with sex. And sex says marriage. Sexual intercourse is the body language which accompanies and expresses, again and again, the wedding vows. It is the language of total gift. If one or both persons are not yet ready to say "I give all that I am, including my body" and "I accept from you the gift of all that you are, including your body," then they are not ready for sex. If a couple do not fear becoming a real gift to each other, they should not fear marriage.

Sex outside marriage is contrary to God's commandments and the clear teachings of the Bible (Ex 20:14;Mt 15:19; Col. 3:5; Eph.5:3) and of the Christian tradition. If freely and knowingly chosen, such an act is seriously sinful. The commandments are not arbitrary. They protect what is most precious: in this case, our bodies, our sexuality, our personality, our love, our family life. Some people fear that if they do not engage in sexual activity before marriage they will be "repressed", "immature" or "inexperienced." But as the story of Adam and Eve tells us, there is no real "getting of wisdom" in choosing to sin. We actually end up confused, ashamed, addicted. The Church knows the reality of temptation. She understands human weakness. That is why, in addition to proclaiming the truth of God's will for humanity, the Church also offers the mercy of God to those who fail. Christ offered forgiveness even to the worst sexual sinners. But he also called them "to sin no more." The Gospel always calls us to more and better. It calls us to a new life. "Now the works of the flesh

are plain: fornication, impurity, licentiousness....these are not the way to the kingdom of God. But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control: these are what is permitted. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires" (Gal.5:19-24). (Catholic Organization for Life and Family) (to be continued)

WORD FROM THE BISHOP...I invite you to promote and encourage the collection for the Indigenous Reconciliation fund taking place in our diocese on the weekend of February 18 & 19: it is the second of three collections being taken to help us meet our diocesan obligations to the 30-million-dollar commitment made by the Canadian Bishops toward the cause of Reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples......The IRF Committee within the diocese will recommend allocation of funds for local projects and beyond that align with the overall goals of this national mission: healing and reconciliation for communities and families; culture and language revitalization; education and community building; and dialogues for promoting Indigenous spirituality and culture. ...Your support of this collection will enable further steps to take place in that vital journey. I thank you for your leadership and pastoral attention to this important matter. Bishop Daniel Miehm

LOOKING AHEAD

February 18 & 19 - Indigenous Reconciliation Fund collection

Feb. 22—Ash Wednesday -Mass @ 7:00 PM in Cardiff: Universal day of fasting and abstinence from meat. (note the change of time)

March 12—Coffee Sunday/Parish Council Meeting

CONDOLENCE AND PRAYERS to the family of SALLY RAYES for the death of her husband WAGNER. The funeral service is scheduled on Monday, Feb 13 at 11:00AM at North Kawartha Community Center (Apsley) "May his soul through the mercy of God rest in peace!"

"God is a spring of living water which flows unceasingly into the hearts of those who pray. "St. Louis de Monfort

MATTRESSES WANTED. The church through Fr. Vic is extending some help to new immigrants in our area. If ever you have spare mattresses kindly call Fr. Vic at 613-339-2852 immediately and he'll arrange for pickup. Thank you!!

GRANNY'S CLIPPINGS....Sorrow looks back, worry looks around and faith looks up......Standing in the middle of the road is dangerous. You will get knocked down by the traffic from both ways......
Words are windows to the heart.....

LAUGHS......"Grandpa, I'm really proud of you," said the modish young lady. "What's to be proud of?" asked the old man. The young lady replied, "I noticed that when you sneeze, you put your hand in front of your mouth." "Of course," replied Grandpa, "How else can I catch my teeth?"



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