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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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**FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT (YEAR A)
 FEBRUARY 26, 2023
 MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

Day	Location	Time	Intentions	Donors
Sat. 25	Highland Grove	4:30 PM	Deceased family members	Peter McEnery
Sun 26	Chandos	9:00 AM	Intention of Peter	Peter McEnery
	Cardiff	11:00 AM	For the People of the parish	
Mon.27			OFF	
Tue. 28	Highland Grove	7:00 PM	Deceased family members	Peter McEnery
Wed.01	Cardiff	11:00 PM	Deceased family members	Peter McEnery
Thu. 02	Wilberforce	11:00 AM	Deceased family members	Peter McEnery
Fri. 03	Cardiff	11:00 AM	Intention of Peter	Peter McEnery
		11:30 AM	Stations of the Cross	
Sat. 04	Highland Grove	4:30 PM	Intentions of Peter	Peter McEnery
		5:30 PM	Eucharistic adoration/benediction	First Saturday devotion
Sun. 05	Chandos	9:00 AM	For the People of the parish	
		11:00 AM	+Christopher Stolte	family

Weekly Financial Report		
	Feb. 19, 2023	Feb. 12, 2023
Highland Grove	\$505.00	\$141.00
Chandos	\$675.00	\$ 65.00
Cardiff	\$275.00	\$685.00
Total (Offertory)	\$1455.00	\$891.00
Indigenous Coll.	\$470.00	
Donation	\$	\$3000.00
Mass Stipend	\$20.00	\$60.00
POP December 30		\$1,490.00
POP January 15		\$1070.00
POP January 30		\$1,490.00

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Readings Next Week (MARCH 05, 2023) 2ND SUNDAY OF LENT (A)

Genesis 12:1-4a

God promises Abram a great blessing.

2 Timothy 1:8b-10

Through God's grace we are called to holiness.

Matthew 17:1-9

Jesus is transfigured on the mountain in the presence of Peter, James, and John.

Background on the Gospel Reading

For the second Sunday of Lent, we move from Jesus' retreat to the desert to his Transfiguration. Each year on the first Sunday of Lent, our Gospel tells the story of Jesus' temptation in the desert. On the second Sunday of Lent each year, we hear the story of Jesus' Transfiguration.

The story of Jesus' Transfiguration is told in the three Synoptic Gospels: Matthew, Mark, and Luke. In each of those Gospels, the Transfiguration follows Jesus' first prediction of his death and his teaching about the costs of discipleship. Jesus' Transfiguration is a promise of Jesus' glory, his Resurrection.

On a mountain in today's reading, a voice affirms that Jesus is God's Son in words reminiscent of the voice at Jesus' baptism. In addition, the appearance of Moses and

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

Elijah on the mountain connects this story with God's relationship to the people of Israel. Moses and Elijah represent the Law and the Prophets, respectively. Together with Jesus, they represent God's complete Word.

The Transfiguration occurs in the presence of just three of Jesus' disciples: Peter, James, and John. In Matthew's Gospel, those disciples are among the first whom Jesus calls. The three men are identified as an "inner circle" among Jesus' disciples when Jesus asks them to accompany him to the Garden of Gethsemane just before his arrest. (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 Chenette, 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!. 7.WHY SHOULD MARRIAGE BE FOR LIFE?

Human beings cannot make a real gift of themselves if they believe they can always take back the gift and give it to someone else. We are temporal or "historical" beings: we live, grow, change and shape our lives through time, from birth to death, through the choices we make. God has given us the gift of freedom; the opportunity to make not only umpteen little choices but also the really big ones which mean giving ourselves completely to another person as a spouse or parent or to God and his people as a priest or religious. As the Second Vatican Council observed, "man can fully discover his true self only in a sincere giving of himself" (Gaudium et Spes 24) As a temporal, mortal creature, the only way a human being can make an unconditional commitment to another is by making a life-long commitment. Only the stable, life-long commitment of marriage can truly protect the integrity of a couples' sexual and emotional intimacy, enabling their friendship to deepen through all the challenges of family life.

Furthermore, God has revealed his will for marriage as a life-long commitment. Two shall become one: a total gift. In binding himself to the Chosen People as a husband to his wife, God in the Old Testament revealed not only something of the depth of his self-giving love and fidelity to Israel, but also his high aspirations for marriage (e.g. Malachi 2:16)

So too when Christ bound himself to his Church as her bridegroom. Christ revealed that it is precisely for this self-giving love – consummated in his own case on the cross—that man and woman are made. This is one more example of the teaching of the Second Vatican Council that "it is only in the mystery of the Word made flesh that the mystery of man truly becomes clear" (Gaudium et Spes 22). Thus Jesus declared not only in words but by his deeds that "what God has joined, no one may divide. As Christ will never abandon his Church, so spouses must love each other for life: Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, that he might sanctify her... For this reason shall a man leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife and the two become one. This is a great mystery (sacrament) and I mean this in reference to Christ and the Church" (Eph 5:25-26,31-32) Thus the church challenges the cynicism sometimes found in our culture and affirms God's plan for marriage as the truth for which we must strive. The goodness

of marriage must be respected by those who enter into it and by society at large. While some people are quick to talk down the happiness found through marriage or to talk up the failures in marriage, many ordinary people have fulfilling life-long marriages and pass on to their children the example of their fidelity and service. (Catholic Organization for Life and Family) (to be continued)

EARTHQUAKE EMERGENCY CAMPAIGN-PLEASE DONATE

These are 4 organizations well positioned in the region to respond quickly and efficiently. 1. Aid to Church in Need (ACN) 1-800-585-6333x228 web:<https://bit.ly/acn-donate-syria> 2. Canadian Jesuits International (CJI) 1-800-448-2148 web:<https://canadianjesuitsinternational.ca> 3. Catholic Near East Welfare Association (CNEWA) Canada 1-866-322-4441 web: www.cnewa.ca 4. Development and Peace-Caritas Canada (DPCC) 1-800-494-1401 web: www.dev.org

Funds received will be used now and in the coming months for food, medical supplies, shelter and other essentials to meet basic human needs. These funds will also serve to meet long term needs to help families go back to a more stable life. To respond immediately to the urgent needs in the area, you can contact the organizations. Please donate!!!!

SHARE LENT CORNER

This Lent, let's put people and planet first.

This year, Development and Peace-Caritas Canada's People and Planet First campaign calls you to support our sisters and brothers in the Global south in defending their rights and the planet. Do this by: A) Donating online at devp.org/give or during the Solidarity Sunday collection on March 26, the Fifth Sunday of Lent. Your generosity helps support over 85 projects in 27 countries around the world.

B) Learning more by reading the Mini-Magazine and other resources available at devp.org/lent/resources.

C) Signing the petition for strong laws to control Canadian corporations' behavior abroad at devp.org/act.

GRANNY'S CLIPPINGS.....The mighty oak tree was once a little nut that held its ground.....Too many people offer God prayers with claw marks all over them.....The tongue must be heavy indeed because so few people can hold it....

LAUGHS... An impassioned minister was visiting a country church and began his address with a stirring reminder: "Everyone in this parish is going to die." The evangelist was discomfited to notice a man in the front pew who was smiling broadly, "Why are you so amused?" he asked. "I'm not in this parish," replied the man. "I'm just visiting my sister for the weekend."



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