

ST. LAWRENCE O'TOOLE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday & Wednesday - Friday 9:30 am - 2:30 pm

PASTOR

Rev. Patrick M. Dobec, P.P.

SUNDAY MASS

Saturday: 4:30 p.m.

Sunday: 9:30 a.m.

WEEKDAY MASS

See Bulletin

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturday 3:45 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.

Weekdays – Before all Masses or by appointment

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Solemn Exposition – First Friday

Simple Exposition – As Announced

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

1 March 2020

Let us pray . . .

For the guidance of the Holy Spirit . . . in the selection of a new bishop for the Diocese of Pembroke

For those burdened by any kind of difficulty . . .

For those experiencing illness . . . that all anxiety and fears may be dispelled from them by the Light of Christ.

For those who have died and left this transitory life . . . especially for the repose souls of our loved ones and also those who have no one to pray for them. Requiescant in Pace!

CELEBRATION OF MASS

Monday	9:00 a.m.	(Months Mind) Conrad Etmanskie by Fr. Patrick Dobec Followed by the Stations of the Cross
Wednesday	Our Lady of Perpetual Help Devotion 4:00 p.m.	Mr. & Mrs. McArthur by Margaret Cowan
Thursday	10:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 12:10 p.m.	Valley Manor – November Intentions The Angelus Donald Murray by Loretta Murray and Family Sonya & Barry Hamilton by Tammy and Shane Byrne
First Friday	9:00 a.m. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until 11:00 a.m. 9:45 a.m.	Tommy Recoskie by St. Joseph’s House Water Tower Lodge – November Intentions

(Rosary is usually recited 25 minutes before all weekday mass & Saturday vigil mass)

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

8 March 2020

Saturday	4:30 p.m.	Stanley Zilney by Norris and Gail Zilney
Sunday	9:30 a.m.	Missa Pro Populo (Mass for all the People)

LITURGICAL APPOINTMENTS

	March 7 th	March 8 th
Readers	Karen Yakabuski	John Artymko/Nick Craley
Ushers	Gerald August & Tony Burant	Peter Glofcheskie & Greg Kelly
Gift Bearers	Margaret Cowan & Gwen Coulas	Andrew & Shirley Dombroskie
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Gwen Coulas	Ursula Jeffrey & John Artymko

CANADIAN CONFERENCE OF CATHOLIC BISHOPS – CCCB has published and posted on their website (www.cccb.ca) their official response to the tabling of Bill C-7: “An Act to amend the Criminal Code (medical assistance in dying). And also, their statement from the conference of Bishops regarding Jean Vanier. Both these statements are very relevant to our concerns.

ASH WEDNESDAY – Despite the winter storm the attendance (standing room only) was inspiring and impressive. Many have shared it is the largest attendance in years for this special day. We pray it will continue.

THE JOURNEY OF FAITH - SYMBOLON – Thursday, March 4th – Session 12 from 1:00 – 2:30 p.m. Topic: “A Love that Lasts (Part 1)”

YOUR SOCIAL COMMITTEE INVITES YOU TO: “SAVE THE DATE”

A change of DATE from Saturday, April 25, 2020 to Saturday, May 9, 2020 – Plan to attend our “Feeding the Flock Supper” featuring Shepherd’s Pie followed by a cast of desserts. A dessert contest will be open to parishioners of all ages and genders. Prizes will be awarded. Details to come!

Sunday, July 12, 2020 – Annual Parish Picnic celebrating the return of the “Roaring Twenties”. Volunteers will be asked to assist on various sub-committees. Begin to think where you might wish to share your talents!

Second Annual Down Home Kitchen Party – Date to be announced.

WE ARE GRATEFUL to Maureen Kiedroski and Mary Golka who made a donation to the Building Fund in Memory of Conrad Etmanskie

**Registered Households 173
Last Sunday’s Offering \$2469.80**

**109 Household Envelopes: \$2137.30
Building Fund: \$185.00
Fuel: \$20.00**

**Visitors Envelopes: \$74.00
Initial: \$5.00**

**Loose Collection: \$183.50
New Years: \$10.00
Easter Flowers: \$10.00**

Reflect upon leaving an extraordinary legacy Gift: Have the foresight and consider making a bequest to St. Lawrence O’Toole Parish through your will and ensure that future generations continue to have a home to celebrate our Christian Faith.

STATEMENT FROM THE CANADIAN CONFERENCE OF CATHOLIC BISHOPS REGARDING JEAN VANIER

It is with a heavy heart that the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB) learned over the weekend of the shocking results of an independent inquiry, undertaken at the initiative of L'Arche International, to investigate allegations of abuse by its founder Jean Vanier. The inquiry uncovered disturbing allegations by women (non-disabled) who were abused emotionally and sexually. This news is all the more difficult and incomprehensible given that Mr. Vanier had a profound influence on the way people with mental and physical disabilities are perceived and treated today, and his writings have had a positive influence on people's lives within many different cultures and languages. Nonetheless, any harm that was done cannot be excused.

Victims of abuse suffer unspeakable harm and long-term consequences. The message of the Bishops of Canada to all victims-survivors is that abuse is an appalling manipulation of trust and is always to be condemned. In any form, it is unacceptable. The Bishops commend the courage of and pray for all victims-survivors who come forward with such painful experiences in order to seek justice and healing. Similarly, they laud the bold steps of L'Arche's leadership in initiating an independent inquiry into this question in an effort to seek greater clarity.

It is likewise crucial to acknowledge the overwhelming impact of the findings of this inquiry on the worldwide network of L'Arche communities; communities devoted to helping the intellectually disabled and their families based on the principles of love, friendship community, and the dignity of the person. The Bishops of Canada pray for the success of the important task that now lies before the leadership of L'Arche to rebuild trust through their rigorous safeguarding policies and practices in order that the organization's mission to the disabled may continue in Canada and abroad. As sins and injustices are denounced, there is also an urgent duty to remember and acknowledge the life-giving, selfless and compassionate ministry which the members, volunteers and leadership of the organization have brought to the lives of so many and for decades.

For more information about the results of the independent inquiry as they become available please visit the websites of L'Arche International and L'Arche Canada.