

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.

Crying Room at entrance of the church

Weekdays – Before weekday Masses in Sacristy

by appointment only

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

28 February 2021

Let us pray . . . For those seeking peace . . . that the season of Lent may be a time to rediscover the joys of a life in Christ.

For those experiencing illness . . . that healing may be granted to those who seek it, especially those undergoing treatments & recovery from surgery.

For engaged couples . . . that those discerning or preparing for the Sacrament of Matrimony may know of our prayers and support.

For those who have died and left this transitory life . . . especially the repose souls of all Pandemic Victims .

Requiem aeternam dona eis Domine, et lux perpetua luceat eis. Requiescant in Pace!

Prayer to St. Joseph

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; With you Christ became man.

Blessed Joseph, to you too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life.

Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen.

CELEBRATION OF MASS

Monday	9:00 a.m.	Maureen Kenward by Pat & Peter McCann
Tuesday	9:00 a.m.	Donald A. Etmanskie by Theresa Bossaer
Wednesday	4:00 p.m.	Special Intensions of Jennifer Huestis by Her Children and Siblings
Thursday	12:00 noon 12:10 p.m.	The Angelus All Souls (November Intentions) Tyler Hoban by Friends
First Friday	9:00 a.m.	Donald Murray by Loretta Murray (Followed by the Stations of the Cross)

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

7 March 2021

Saturday	4:30 p.m.	John Landon (Anniversary) by Marie Landon
Sunday	9:30 am	Missa Pro Populo (Mass for all the People)

LITURGICAL APPOINTMENTS

March 6th

March 7th

Readers

Jane Beahen

Ursula Jeffrey

**Extraordinary Ministers of
Holy Communion**

Maxine Smaglinski

Terry Recoskie

World Day of Prayer – March 5: The World Day of Prayer is observed annually on the first Friday in March. It is an invitation for Christians to pause and pray together ecumenically, This recalls our Christian responsibility to be sensitive to the signs of the times so that we might bring a more authentically Christian dimension to the concerns of our world, our country, our community..

A suggestion For a Lenten Retreat: "Journey Into the wilderness", a retreat offered by the Irish Jesuits – an 8 session audio presentation of 15 minutes each, with time for personal prayer and reflection. Please go to pathwaystogod.org/resources/wilderness-lent-retreat.

Sacraments of Initiation: First Penance (Confession) and First Communion:

Both parishes will be using an online preparation this year. Parents have the option to use Blessed by Dynamic Catholic or My Catholic Faith Delivered by Ignatius Press. We will begin the program with a combined parish information meeting on Monday, March 1st in Saint Hedwig's Church at 6:30 p.m. there will be a cost of \$25.00 to partially cover costs.

Confirmation: We have all ready begun the program with our information meeting last week.

Message by Pope Francis for Lent 2021:

The 2021 Message of Pope Francis for Lent is titled "Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem" (Mt 20:180, Lent: a Time for Renewing Faith, Hope and Love". In his message, the Holy Father writes: "In our Lenten journey towards Easter, let us remember the One who 'humbled himself and became obedient unto death, even death on a cross' (Phil 2:8). During this season of conversion, let us renew our faith, draw from the 'living water' of hope, and receive with open hearts the love of God, who makes us brothers and sisters in Christ."

New Video Series for Lent 2021:

Beginning on Ash Wednesday, February 17, Journey through Lent offers an introduction to the season and reflections on Gospel readings of each Sunday in Lent. To access the video series on the CCCB website: in English and French. Each Monday, the link for the upcoming Sunday celebration will be released. For further information, please contact Mrs. Margaret Shea-Lawrence at m.shea-lawrence@cccb.ca.

First step Options Pregnancy Resource Centre presents BrightCourse:

BrightCourse – Free livestream video lessons and support! Practical, real, and applicable topics and lessons you can use today. Supporting both men and women from pregnancy to parenting and beyond! For more information call 613-635-7440 or email bevwfso@gmail.com.

New EWTN Lent 2021 Webpage:

We invite you to log onto the new Lent 2021 webpage at www.ewtn.com/lent. On this site you will find a variety of resources including a comprehensive look at the Church's teaching about Lent, daily readings and reflections, special Lenten programming, popular devotions, video-on-demand and much more!

By My Side Ottawa – A Program of Spiritual Friendship and Healing for Separated and Divorced Catholics:

This 6 week online women-only and 6 week online men's only program starts on March 27th. By My Side is a non-profit structured support group for separated and divorced Catholics. All classes are hosted virtually. Christ and the Church. We ask participants for a \$40 payment to help cover resources and promotion. Any left over funds are donated directly to charity. Our program (previously known as Journey of Hope Ottawa) began 6 years ago and has had over 100 class participants. Included are resources, 2 follow-up classes, and monthly Facebook posts offering Spiritual Food for Thought. To find out more and to register go to www.bymyside.ca.

Registered Households 179
Last Sunday Offering \$2537.00

52 Household Envelopes & 5 E-transfers: \$2337.00 Loose: \$5.00 Visitors: \$120.00 Initial: \$10.00 Building Renewal: \$65.00

Estate gifts secure your parish and enable up-coming projects for generations to come.

We make a living by what we get

We make a life by what we give

Campaign Life Coalition (CLC)

CLC has Virtual Pro-Life Clubs that are thriving! They have been a fantastic means of keeping pro-life youth from coast-to-coast connected and informed. They just started an in-depth breakdown of pro-life apologetics, starting with the science of our position before moving to philosophical discussions of personhood and bodily autonomy. It's never too late to join: www.campaignlifecoalition.com/virtual-prolife-club.

Free eBook With 2021 Lenten Meditations:

Lent is a new opportunity to be reenergized in our faith. However, Lent can sometimes pass us by without us growing closer to the Lord. This is why one of our Franciscan Friars, Fr. Joseph has prepared a series of Lenten reflections in the form of an eBook to guide us during this solemn season. Included within the new Lent 2021 webpage is a form to fill out to receive this free eBook which will bring recipients deeper into the Mass readings with insights that are both simple and profound.

Pembroke Diocesan Council Annual Report 2020

Council: St. Lawrence O'Toole

President: Team: Carmel R. (acting)

Spiritual Advisor: Rev. Fr. Patrick M. Dobec

Place: Barry's Bay

No. Of Members: 122

Life Members: 1

"Care for Our Common Home" (National Theme) Loneliness (Provincial Theme)

During 2020, our council lived our national and/or provincial theme(s) by incorporating our core values of faith, service, and social justice in the following ways:

The 2020 year of the Pandemic curtailed many activities for the CWL in our parish. The National theme had started in 2019 so members were aware of the challenge to care for the earth. Some members planted flowers at the church and watched and checked them all summer. Many members had gardens and spent more time this year taking care of them. God alone owns the world and we are the ones chosen to tend and keep this earthly garden.

Sharing goods and food with the homeless has been an ongoing project. This year we helped the Bernadette McCann House for Abused women and children with hygiene kits, sleep kits and mental health kits that included Kleenex, head phones, candy, gum, bath bombs and lavender scented items. Every year we budget money to donate to National CWL causes and some local charities as well as our local schools and Valley Manor Nursing Home. We also budgeted money to donate to our parish as the need arises. We completed one fundraiser: "Pot O' Gold" tickets before the first lockdown occurred in March. Loneliness has become an issue all across Canada. Members in our parish kept connected with other members through email, phone calls, cards, prayer requests, looking through the window connections and facetime. In-person visits were limited. Members wrote letters to MPs and MPPs regarding Bill C-7 and concerns about the Vaccines for Covid-19. We supported a family in India.

Our council purchased 25 copies of "The Word Among Us" for the parish. Many members followed the Daily TV Mass on Vision TV and attended local weekend Masses in person or on radio or TV.

The strength of the League is in its membership. Members who received service pins and awards in 2020:

With Congratulations!

60 years: Eva Kulas 50 years: Barbara Conway 40 years: Lorraine Finn

10 years: Jennifer Brotton; Joan Hildebrandt; Patricia Milan (D.);

Stephanie Plebon; Joan Prince; Susan Yantha.