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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

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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,
or by appointment

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

21 March 2021

Let us pray . . .

Let us continue to pray for those who are sick, vulnerable and alone.

For those who have died and left this transitory life . . . especially the repose souls of Julia Lorbetskies and all Pandemic Victims .
Requiem aeternam dona eis Domine, et lux perpetua luceat eis. Requiescant in Pace!

Every life is filled with moments of change and discovery – some difficult and painful. Jesus' image of the "grain of wheat" reminds us that life demands change, risk and "dying" to our fears, despair and sense of self – but if we're willing to risk loving and allowing ourselves to be loved, Jesus promises us the harvest of the Gospel wheat. In our willingness to nurture healing and forgiveness, in our openness to God's grace and the compassion of others, there will always be new beginnings, second chances, constant plantings and unlimited bounties. Only by loving is love returned, only by reaching out beyond ourselves do we learn and grow, only by giving to others do we receive, only by dying do we rise to new life.

CELEBRATION OF MASS

Monday	4:00 p.m.	Wilfred Prince by Maxine Smaglinski and Family
Tuesday	9:00 a.m.	Fran Moreau by Percy and Frances Coulas
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	Michael Milan by Ursula and John Jeffrey
Thursday	The Annunciation of the Lord 12:00 noon 12:10 p.m.	The Angelus The Murray Family by St. Joseph House
Friday	9:00 a.m.	Intentions of Leo Beadle-Kluge by Jim and Bonnie Kluge (Followed by the Stations of the Cross)

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD 28 March 2021

Saturday	4:30 p.m.	Charlotte Lehovitch by Jim and Debbie McKenzie
Sunday	9:30 a.m.	Missa Pro Populo (Mass for all the People)

LITURGICAL APPOINTMENTS

	March 27 th	March 28 th
Readers	Jane Beahan	Ursula Jeffrey
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Maxine Smaglinski	Terry Recoskie

St. Francis of Assisi's preferred meditation was on the Passion of Jesus. He wept so continually in meditating on the sufferings of Jesus Christ that he almost entirely lost his sight.

Why Do We Cover The Statues? - In the past, many followers of the catholic religion were illiterate. The church service was done in Latin, a language many did not speak. The congregation needed a reminder that they were in the sombre season of Lent, so the altar was covered. The traditional colour for veils was purple, a colour that represents penance and humility.

Secondly, the veils focus our attention on the words being said at Mass.

Thirdly, the Church uses veils to produce a heightened sense of anticipation for Easter Sunday.

And therein lies the whole point: the veils are not meant to be there forever. The images need to be unveiled; it is unnatural for them to be covered and proclaim The Good News.

“Word Among Us” – The CWL Team is requesting donations to augment the cost of this book this year. Envelopes will be with each book for April. As you know all these groups were unable to sponsor fundraising activities for a year.

First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion Preparation Program: We will be using an online preparation program this year for First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. Parents have the option to use Blessed by Dynamic Catholic or My Catholic Faith Delivered by Ignatius Press. There is a \$25.00 fee.

Family Rosary – Join Chris Bray (Catholic speaker/singer/songwriter) and his family as they pray the Mysteries of the Holy Rosary together with beautiful religious photography, reflective and meditative music and the sweet voice of his children. Pray ALL the Mysteries at www.chrisbraymusic.com/rosary

Share Love, Share Lent Campaign under way!

Dear Lay Faithful,

Inspired by Pope Francis’s newest encyclical, Fratelli Tutti, this year Development and Peace’s Lenten campaign, Share Love, Share Lent, invites us into a global solidarity. Pope Francis writes, “All of us have a responsibility for the wounded, those of our own people and all the peoples of the earth. Let us care for the needs of every man and woman, young and old, with the same fraternal spirit of care and closeness that marked the Good Samaritan.

This Fifth Sunday of Lent, or ‘Solidarity Sunday’ is designated by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops for a collection for Development and Peace – Caritas Canada. Now into our second year of the global pandemic, there is much upheaval in many of our lives – and even more so for our brothers and sisters in the Global South. I invite each according to their means to give generously in your parish or online at www.devp.org (choosing the “Give Now” tab) or by calling 1-888-234-8533. Thank you in advance for promoting the fraternity and social friendship of which Pope Francis speaks. Wishing you and yours continued blessings in this Lenten season.

Sincerely yours in Christ our Redeemer,

+Guy Desrochers, C.Ss.R.
Bishop of Pembroke

Registered Households 180
Last Sunday Offering \$2839.00

62 Household Envelopes & 4 E-transfers: \$2679.00

Loose: \$50.00

Visitors: \$40.00

Flowers For Easter: \$70.00

Thank you for your generosity and sacrifice! Please consider remembering your parish in your estate.

TRIDUUM LITURGIES

As we near the Easter Season we will recall that one year ago we were unable to gather as a Community due to COVID-19 total Lockdown. It is our prayerful hope that this will not be the case this year. It is our goal to ensure that those who wish to participate in the liturgies may do so safely (everyone masked, social distanced). The schedule for Liturgies is listed below.

You will note that there will be two Masses on Easter Sunday. Reservations will be required for Good Friday and Easter Sunday. As we have done for a few years a combined Easter Vigil will be celebrated at St. Hedwig's Parish.

Holy Thursday	(Mass of the Lord's Supper)	5:00 p.m.
Good Friday	(The Passion of the Lord)	3:00 p.m. Reservation required
Holy Saturday	(Combined Easter Vigil)	St. Hedwig's Parish
Easter Sunday		9:00 a.m. Reservation required 11:00 a.m. Reservation required

Please complete the attached Reservation form. If you require "ACCESSIBLE" seating please indicate by adding the word "ACCESS" to the form beside the number in your party. We thank you in advance for your patience and cooperation as we continue to face the challenges of this pandemic in the true spirit of peace, love and compassion.

Completed Reservation forms must be received by Sunday, March 28, 2021.

Name: _____ Telephone: _____

Good Friday/ 3:00 p.m. Number in Party _____

Easter Sunday 9:00 a.m. Number in Party _____ 1st choice___ 2nd choice___

Easter Sunday 11:00 a.m. Number in Party _____ 1st choice___ 2nd choice___