

# 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**

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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

by appointment only

Before & Following this Friday Mass at the  
entrance of the Church (Children's Room)

## THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

7 March 2021

Let us pray . . . Pope's Prayer Intention:: Sacrament of Reconciliation. . . let us pray that we may experience the Sacrament of Reconciliation with renewed depth, to taste the infinite mercy of God

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 and recovery from surgery.

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

“Our Lord revealed to several holy women: St. Bridget, St. Gertrude, St. Mechtilde, and St. Catherine of Siena, that they who meditate on His Passion are very dear to Him.”

## CELEBRATION OF MASS

Monday	9:00 a.m.	Matthew Biskup by David & Carmel Rumleskie
	(Pembroke)	Private Mass of Christian Burial (Family & Priests) for Reverend Patrick Brady McNamara at Our Lady of Lourdes, Church, Interment at St. James the Less Cemetery, Eganville
Tuesday	9:00 a.m.	Scott Jeffrey by Joan and Elroy Pecoskie (Followed by the Stations of the Cross)
Wednesday	12:00 noon 12:10 p.m.	<b>The Angelus</b> Saint Joseph Novena Patrick Cowan by Jane Beahen Reverend P. Brady McNamara by Friends
Thursday	8:30 a.m.	Saint Joseph Novena <b>(Please Note Time)</b> Barry Crawford by Denise Crawford Intentions for Rick Sauro by Friends
Friday	12:00 noon 12:10 p.m.	<b>The Angelus</b> Saint Joseph Novena Bill Green by Reggie Mask and Family

(Confessions Before & Following Mass with Confessor Fr. Wilfred Lenius)

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT (LAETARE SUNDAY)

14 March 2021

Saturday	4:30 p.m.	Saint Joseph Novena Howard and Mary Fox by Georgina, Pat, Irene and Jean
Sunday	9:30 am	Saint Joseph Novena Missa Pro Populo (Mass for all the People)

## LITURGICAL APPOINTMENTS

	<b>March 13<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>March 14<sup>th</sup></b>
<b>Readers</b>	Jane Beahen	Ursula Jeffrey

**Extraordinary Ministers of  
Holy Communion**

Maxine Smaglinski

Terry Recoskie

As part of our observance of the Year of St. Joseph, all households in the Diocese of Pembroke are being invited to participate in a Novena (nine days of prayer) in preparation for the Solemnity of St. Joseph on March 19<sup>th</sup>. During a time when we are precluded from doing many collective activities, there is great merit in establishing in our households even brief times for family prayer. Perhaps during this Lent we can consider starting (or resuming) simple prayers such as Grace before Meals, the Holy Rosary, morning and night prayers with children, or having married couples praying the Our Father together daily. Even simple practices of prayer can bring great renewal to hearts and homes!

Pope Francis is making a historic visit to Iraq started Friday, March 5-8. Please keep the Holy Father in your prayers as he makes this pastoral visit amidst the sufferings and tensions of the Middle East.

Sacrament of Initiation: We have all ready begun the programs with our information meetings. Please pray for all the Confirmation, and First Confession and Holy Communion candidates and their families who have presented these children for these Sacraments.

Sacrament of Penance (Confessions): Father Wilfred Lenius will be a guest confessor on Friday, March 12<sup>th</sup>, before and following the 12:10 p.m. Mass in the Children's Room at the main entrance of the church.

Beginning Wednesday, March 10<sup>th</sup>, we will be praying the Saint Joseph Novena during this Year of Saint Joseph to prepare for the Solemnity of Saint Joseph, March 19<sup>th</sup>.

Triduum Prayers will be available next week for your personal prayer-time.

Marriage Enrichment: IMET (inter-Marriage Enrichment Team) is a group of dedicated couples who have been putting on marriage enrichment events for over a decade. On March 20<sup>th</sup>, they hold their first online event, "How to Be Married and stay Engaged: Back to Back, face to Face, and Shoulder to shoulder", presented by Jim Healey. To register for the event go to <https://www.imetevents.org/>.

Broughton's Church Supplies, Religious Books and Gifts: There is a new book that we are taking preorder on, titled: Consecration to St. Joseph – The Wonders of Our Spiritual Father – <https://www.bbroughton.com/product/ST/9781596144316/CONSECRATION-TO-ST.-JOSEPH-THE-WONDERS-OF-OUR-SPIRITUAL-FATHER>, and Finding Christ in the Crisis: <https://bbroguhton.com/product/ST/9781681927732/FINDING-CHRIST-THE-CRISI>. For more information, please contact Kelly Broughton at 1-800-268-4449 or 416-690-4777, or email at [salesrep2@bbroughton.com](mailto:salesrep2@bbroughton.com), or visit the website at [www.bbroughton.com](http://www.bbroughton.com)

St. Joseph Greeting Cards: To commemorate the Year of St. Joseph, Madonna House Publications is offering greeting cards with icon prints of St. Joseph, by Madonna House iconographers. A set of 10 cards (blank inside) with envelopes are \$12.95 + tax. Visit [www.madonnahouse.org/publications](http://www.madonnahouse.org/publications) and click on Store to view and order. Or call 613-756-3728 (toll free: 1-888-703-7110)

**Registered Households 180  
Last Sunday Offering \$2717.00**

**65 Household Envelopes & 5 E-transfers: \$2602.00**  
**Building Renewal: \$10.00**

**Loose: \$35.00**  
**Initial: \$10.00**

**Visitors: \$20.00**  
**Fuel: \$40.00**

Thank you for your generosity!

Stewardship and Accountability:

Our Parish Finance and Property has reviewed our past and present financial procedures.

I am amazed during these unprecedented times of your faithful generosity, trust, sacrifice and most important your faith. This report is much better than most of us had envisioned.

Our 2020 report is available. The parish was fortunate to receive a one-time grant of \$24,654.44 to augment our income during this pandemic.

If you have concerns do not hesitate to present them to one of the committee members.

I am very grateful to Larry Serran, Neil O'Reilly and John Olsen for their expertise in our temporal welfare.

Thank you to Maureen Kiedroski (Office Admin.), ushers, greeters, collection counters, for your dedicated and important ministry.

May Saint Joseph intercede for our Faith Community during these challenging times for all.

Reverend Patrick M. Dobec, P.P.

Bootcamp for the Laity – “The Role of Laity in the Church”:

Virtual a conference presented by Catholic Charismatic Renewal services of Ontario (C.C.R.S.O.) with Bishop Scott McCaig and Fr. Ben St. Croix on Friday, May 21<sup>st</sup> and Saturday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>. To register or for more information go to <https://www.ccrso.net/copy-of-conference-rsvp>.

Glengarry Alpha at St. Finnan's:

Try Alpha on-line. Explore the basics of Christian faith in a relaxed, friendly, and non-judgmental way. Alpha is open for everyone and anyone from all walks of life! Meet and greet on-line, enjoy a short video, then participate in small group discussions. Starting Thursday, January 28<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. No cost. Register at [www.stfinnan.ca](http://www.stfinnan.ca). For more information please contact Elizabeth at 613-527-3209 or [mcdonellbe@gmail.com](mailto:mcdonellbe@gmail.com).

Catholic Christian Outreach (CCO):

Are you in University and interested in learning about the Catholic faith and meeting others like you? CCO (Catholic Christian Outreach) is a University Campus ministry that does just that and is now online! Contact a CCO representative at your University by going to the website: <https://cco.ca/get-connected>.

The spiritual tradition of the Eastern Catholics call Lent the time of “bright sadness”. This season calls us to examine our souls, seek conversion of life and turn away from sin, but such tasks are not done in insulation, but in the joy of knowing that Christ has won eternal life for us through his passion, death and resurrection.

Therefore, our contrition for sin becomes the gateway to a renewed and redeemed life in Christ. Lent is a particularly sanctified time to be truly honest with ourselves before the Lord. Therefore conversion is much more than just self-help. To seek conversion in our lives means surrendering to the Good News of Jesus Christ. It means making the decision to conform myself to what Christ has revealed to us in His Word and in the Church. If Lent is to be truly embraced, then perhaps a few questions may help us discern what it is that is impeding the ability to be the best versions of ourselves:

- What is it that I need to be most honest before the Lord about?

- Are my attitudes and actions supporting a desire to be faithful to my state in life (marriage/single state/religious life)?
- Are there temptations/stumbling blocks in my life that impede my fidelity?
- When was the last time I celebrated the Sacrament of Reconciliation?
- Do I speak with Christ honestly and intimately in my prayer?