

ST. LAWRENCE O'TOOLE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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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,
or by appointment

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

18 April 2019

Let us pray . . .

For those experiencing illness . . . we pray for peace in the hearts and homes of those suffering or recovering from Covid-19; for those experiencing anxiety, fear, upset or isolation; for those undergoing treatment.

For Mackenzie Lucy Dombroskie, Eliana Ivory Everson, Olivia Ann Hudder and Willow Mary Lehovitch, and their families as they prepare to receive their First Holy Communion.

For those who have died and left this transitory life . . . especially the repose souls of all the Covid-19 Victims .
Requiem aeternam dona eis Domine, et lux perpetua luceat eis. Requiescant in Pace!

Holy Year of St. Joseph – How great his [St. Joseph's] union with God, how sublime his gift of prayer, how wonderful the direction of the Holy Spirit! Blessed William Joseph Chaminade

EASTER OCTIVE

Monday	9:00 a.m.	Bill Beahen by Jane Beahen
Tuesday	9:00 a.m.	Pearl Walsh by Helen and Terry Recoskie
Wednesday	12:00 noon 12:10 p.m.	Regina Caeli Intentions of Jack & Betty Frost
Friday	4:00 p.m.	Special Intentions by Timmie Bharadwaj (Hildebrandt)

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 25 APRIL 2021

Saturday	4:30 p.m.	Chester Pawlek by Ursula Pawlak
Sunday	9:30 a.m.	Missa Pro Populo (Mass for all the People)

LITURGICAL APPOINTMENTS

	April 24th	April 25th
Readers	Martin Yakabuski	Brooke-Lyn Lundy
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Viola Cybulski	John Artymko

With the current Provincial lockdown in place, places of worship are still able to be open at 15% capacity, which is very much in line with the average numbers that we have been receiving. Thank you for your ongoing diligence and cooperation in every way. Holy Communion will be distributed at the front door of the Church on Sunday's at approximately 10:00 a.m.

Gratitude

We express our appreciation to Elena Afelskie for preparing the First Communion families for celebration of the Sacraments. The parish also thanks Karen Yakabuski and Martin Yakabuski who have and are now preparing two adults for Reception of Baptized Christians into the Full Communion of the Catholic Church.

Despite the many challenges of the past year it has been a rewarding spiritual encounter with Christ and His Holy Church.

In the Easter Gospels, the Risen Jesus appears, greeting the disciples with “peace” – but the “peace” of Easter is nothing like our absence of conflict, peace that settles for nothing bad happening, peace that is equated with the status quo – but too often fear and tension lie just below the surface of such “peace.” True peace is rooted in the Gospel of justice and mercy; lasting peace is possible only when the reasons for fear and doubt are confronted. Peace – Christ’s peace – is realized when all are respected and honoured as sisters and brothers in the light of the Risen One. Thomas Merton wrote that “instead of loving what you think is peace, love other[s] and love God above all. And instead of hating the people you think are warmongers, hate the appetites and the disorder in your own soul, which are the causes of war. If you love peace, then hate injustice, hate tyranny, hate greed – but hate these things in yourself, not in another.” May we become “witnesses” of Christ’s peace in our families and communities, our churches and workplaces – and may the work of peace begin within ourselves.

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

We have had many passages in our lives: the passage from childhood to adolescence, and then to adulthood. Passing exams. From a single life to a married life or a religious life. The passage from an active life to retirement. Then, at the end of our earthly life, death will mark our passage to eternal life. Since the great celebration of the Easter Vigil, and especially during the Easter Octave, we celebrate an essential passage into an essential rebirth. To celebrate the resurrection of Christ is to pass with him from death to life, from the land of bondage to liberation and salvation, from slavery to freedom. To be a Christian, brothers and sisters, means that we are freed from many things that we have unnecessarily bound ourselves to. To be a Christian means to be free in all circumstances: free from the trappings of money and the desire to dominate or control everything; free to refuse corruption; free to oppose injustice; free to say no to lies; free to love; free to correct those who are in error; free to reproach, but always with charity, of course. The Christian is free from all alienation. Through our baptism, we are resurrected with Christ. With him we have entered into a new life and nothing can separate us from his love. That is why we can now sing victory! Especially during this octave of Easter.

Sincerely yours in the risen Christ,

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

Registered Households 181
Last Sunday Offering \$2162.00

55 Household Envelopes & 4 E-transfers: \$1731.00	Loose: \$30.00	Visitors: \$30.00
Building Fund: \$226.00	Pope’s Pastoral: \$15.00	
Easter to date: \$1920.00	Share Lent to date: \$2155.00	

Yours is the heart that gives witness to His Love.
Yours is the gift that helps our Parish share that Love

Our Need for the Risen Lord

The current pandemic has made it very evident that the world is in need of the Resurrection. The circumstance of this year has revealed to the world en masse the fragility of our lives. So what have we learned? In the midst of restrictions and changed plans, we have seen an extraordinary outpouring of charity, understanding and empathy. Perhaps we have learned to understand others more deeply, seek to heal old wounds, reach out to family and neighbours that we were too busy to be connected with. But most of all, has the experience of 2020 brought me more deeply into the heart of Jesus? Many of us have had more time to pray, but that does not make it any more easy to do so. Yet a living faith is one that is deeply rooted in daily conversation with Christ. In our prayer, even if it seems difficult and dry, if we cultivate silence we can soon begin to hear Jesus speak His word to us: *Peace that only He can give.*

In the history of the Church great saints have been raised up during times of tribulation and pandemic, and so no less is expected of us in this moment. We are living a period in history that will define our generation. The work of the Holy Spirit is not on lock-down.

For Christ is Risen, Alleluia
He is Risen Indeed, Alleluia

NECROLOGY OF THE PRIESTS OF THE DIOCESE OF PEMBROKE: FOR APRIL

Leonard Sylvester Ritza – April 1, 1975
Marc. L. Gauthier – April 5, 2008
John F. Harrington – April 6, 1990
John T. Callahan – April 7, 1984
+Thomas P. Ryan – April 15, 1984
Joseph R. McElligott – April 18, 1959
Emmett J. Murraroy – April 20, 1989
Michael John Wingle – April 22, 1988
Francis M. Kennedy – April 24, 1986
Michael James Barry – April 25, 2005
Gary Byrne Larkin – April 26, 1969

Lord, hear the prayers we offer for the deceased priests of the Diocese of Pembroke. They faithfully filled their ministry to your name. May they rejoice for ever in the communion of your saints.

Requiescant in pace.

PARISH REGISTRATION - (Households who have not registered or a change of address, phone or email)

Name: _____

Other Members of Household: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Phone Number: _____

Envelopes: Do you need envelopes yes no (*Drop this into the collection basket or at the office*)