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Masses: Saturday - 5:00 P.M. Sunday - 8:45, 10:30 and 12:15 P.M.
Mon., Wed., Thu., Fri. - 9:00 A.M., Tue. - 7:00 P.M.

Devotions to Our Lady of Perpetual Help: Tuesday - after mass

First Friday Devotions - after morning mass First Saturday Mass & Devotions – 8:30 A.M.

Confessions: Saturday 4:00-4:45 P.M. and Tuesday after mass & devotions

Office hours: Monday to Friday 8:30 A.M. – 4:00 P.M. 905-881-2786 Ext 221

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GETTING WITH THE TIMES



Have you ever had anyone say that Christians need to get with the times?

What does the phrase “getting with the times” mean to you?

“*Signs of the times*” is often defined by a set of popular held beliefs in a particular point in history. But can we say that just because something is a popularly held belief that it is true? If majority of Canadians believe that Tim Horton’s serves the best coffee in the world does it make it true? How about, if majority of Canadians believe that God is not real does it make it true?

Fear

The “*signs of times*” can instill fear in those who hold an unpopular set of beliefs, including us as Christians. We have a tendency to be quiet about our faith out fear of being judged, confronted, or offending. But is that what Jesus wanted?

In today’s Gospel the chief priests and scribes set the popular tone. They fiercely try to convince the masses and political authorities that Jesus is not the Son of God and is a criminal (*Mark 14:1-2*). Soon the very masses that welcomed him into Jerusalem turn against Jesus. Even his closest friends abandon him. Judas exchanges Jesus for wealth (*10:11*), while Peter denies Jesus three times (*14:66-72*)! Acting out of fear of being judged Pontius Pilate hands Jesus over to be executed convincing himself that he is playing no role in Jesus’ death (*15:15*). The fact that the popular belief of that time was that Jesus is a criminal still does not change the truth that He is the Son of God.

Liar, Lunatic, or Lord

In John’s Gospel Jesus says, “I am the way, the truth and the life” (*14:6*). We have to make a decision. Is Jesus a liar, a lunatic who thought he was God, or he is who he says he is? If he is not God then he is of no importance, but if he is God then he is of infinite importance. What Jesus doesn’t allow is to think that he is of mild importance.

If Jesus is really the Son of God why wouldn’t we give people the choice to live with the freedom and joy that is found in a relationship with Jesus Christ? We are called to share the joy of the Gospel selflessly, not retract when the *signs of times* challenge everything that Christ stood and died for.

We have to ask ourselves: Who do we stand with, the masses or Christ?

The passion of Christ helps us realise that there no outsiders where suffering is concerned. Entering into the painful sadness of ordinary happenings in everyday life calls for the taking up of our own cross with patience, acceptance and love. It makes us realise that we cannot avoid the pain and suffering that come our way. No one escapes the cross. We might try to avoid it, refuse to accept it or rebel against it, but we cannot remove it.

The great message of this week is that our destiny is bound up with that of Christ’s. To all who are willing to take up their cross and follow him, the road leads from darkness into light, from despair to hope and from death to everlasting life.

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	Intentions of Anthony Beltrano
Tuesday	Soul of Tom Schmoll Soul of Kevin Gallagher Soul of Leo Ceolin Soul of Antonietta Antonio Soul of Ann & Joaquim Alphonso
Wednesday	Soul of Richard Antonio
Thursday	Holy Thursday
Friday	Good Friday

Please pray for the sick in our community.
May the healing power of God touch their hearts and ease their burdens, especially **Raffael Hang Cheong Lee, Khader Khawager, Maria DiRienza, Nolito Reyes, Ed Tan, Carl Rampersad, Elizabeth Liversidge and Fra. Michael G-Mariam**

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Today is Palm Sunday, a time in our Lenten journey when we are reminded of the importance of welcoming Jesus in our hearts. In the spirit of His teachings and example, let us extend our hands to those who need our help the most. Thus far, we have raised \$366.00 toward our goal. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website or at sharelife.org/donate

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*Easter
Food
Blessing*



Fr. Mark welcomes you to bring your Easter baskets to the Parish altar for a blessing on Holy Saturday – March 30th at 11:00 am.

OLEG SAMOKHIN PIANO CONCERT SATURDAY APRIL 27, 7:30 PM

Tickets are now available. Please see details at olegpianoconcert.eventbrite.com. If you have questions contact Greg Benoit at 647-296-6851 or greg.benoit@rogers.com

Holy Week Schedule



Palm Sunday Mass

Saturday, March 24th 5:00 pm
Sunday, March 25th 8:45, 10:30 am & 12:15 pm

Holy Thursday Mass of Our Lord's Supper

Thursday, March 28th 7:00 pm
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until 10:00 pm

Good Friday Service

Friday, March 29th
Children's Way of the Cross 10:30 am
Liturgy of the Passion of Our Lord 3:00 PM

Holy Saturday Easter Vigil Mass

Saturday, March 30th 8:00 pm
(includes Baptism, 1st Communion & Confirmation of adult candidates)

Easter Sunday Mass

Sunday, March 31st 8:45, 10:30 am & 12:15 pm

Easter Monday, April 1st

9:00 am
(Office Closed)



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS- ST. LUKE'S COUNCIL 4393

The Knights of Columbus will be hosting a "**Spring Social Dance**" on Saturday, April 13th in the parish hall beginning at 7:30 pm. For a \$15.00 admission donation, enjoy a variety of ballroom and Latin dance music as well as line dancing. Reservations are encouraged, as admission is limited. Light refreshments will be served.

Contact Luis Santalla at gk4393@ontariokofc.ca for more information.

GOOD SHEPHERD casseroles/lasagnas are due at the parish Sunday, March 31st for pickup Tuesday morning. If donating store prepared food, please add your name as the donor & not the store of purchase. Thank you for helping feed the hungry!

CATHOLICS WOMEN'S LEAGUE General Meeting

**Wednesday, March 27 at 7:00pm in the parish hall.
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