

7<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 19, 2023



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## This Week's Readings

	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Reading</b>	<b>Gospel</b>
Sun, Feb 19	Leviticus 19:1-2, 17-18	Matthew 5:38-48
Mon, Feb 20	Sirach 1:1-10	Mark 9:14-29
Tues, Feb 21	Sirach 2:1-11	Mark 9:30-37
Wed, Feb 22	Joel 2:12-18	Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18
Thurs, Feb 23	Deuteronomy 30:15-20	Luke 9:22-25
Fri, Feb 24	Isaiah 58:1-9	Matthew 9:14-15
Sat, Feb 25	Isaiah 58:9-14	Luke 5:37-32

### Community's Email Addresses

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### Giving to Corpus Christi Parish

There are many ways to donate to Corpus Christi Parish:

1. Weekly Offertory Envelopes
2. Cash donations
3. E-Transfers to [finance@corpuschristins.ca](mailto:finance@corpuschristins.ca), include your name and church
4. PAR (Pre-Authorized Remittances)
5. Through the mail, send to Kentville Parish Office

*Our parish thanks you for your financial support.  
How else could we fulfill our mission?*



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**OFFICE HOURS:**  
Mon to Fri  
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*Ask about pre-planning.*

## Mass Times & Intentions

### SATURDAY, FEB 18

Bridgetown	4:00 PM	Gillian Beckner by Her Family
Kentville	4:00 PM	Wayne Comeau by Don & Debby Muise
Digby	4:00 PM	Glen Walker by Simone Walker

### SUNDAY, FEB 19

Windsor	8:30 AM	Nualsri Pimpasuth by Laura Joyce
Annapolis Royal	9:00 AM	Cathy Emin by Eveline LeBlanc
Berwick	9:00 AM	Adaina Vanessa Stoelting by Rye Stoelting
Kentville/Online	10:15 AM	Matthew Hawley by Francis & Carmen Hawley & Family
Middleton	11:00 AM	Deceased Members of St Monica's Knights of Columbus
Weymouth	11:30 AM	For the Intentions of Catherine Robicheau by Marilaine LeBlanc
Wolfville	11:45 AM	Mina teBogt by Joanne teBogt & Family

### TUESDAY, FEB 21

Kentville	8:30 AM	Debbie Blais (Craniak) by Rosaire Blais
Digby	6:30 PM	Raymond Schan by Chuck & Margaret Mills

### WEDNESDAY, FEB 22

Berwick	9:00 AM	<b>Ash Wednesday</b> <b><i>Liturgy of the Word with Distribution of Ashes</i></b>
Bridgetown	9:00 AM	<b><i>Liturgy of the Word with Distribution of Ashes</i></b>
Kentville	9:00 AM	Mary-Leigh (L) & Ann-Marie (D) by Helen Walsh
Windsor	9:00 AM	Joan Theall by Eleanor & Terry McKiel
Annapolis Royal	10:00 AM	Cathy Emin by Pat & Alan Dill
Weymouth	4:00 PM	Bernard Robicheau by Joan Nelson
Wolfville	5:00 PM	Lawrence Pottie by Hattie O'Rouke
Digby	6:30 PM	Elma Robicheau by Granddaughter, Pamela
Kentville/Online	6:30 PM	Ronald Fraser by Mary MacInnis
Middleton	6:30 PM	Intentions of Diane McIntyre (L) by Susan Dill

### THURSDAY, FEB 23

Kentville	8:30 AM	Arthur Coffey by Theresa Coffey
Berwick	9:00 AM	Peter O'Neil by Diane Onieu & Family
Weymouth	4:00 PM	Intentions for Brooklyn LeBlanc by the family

### FRIDAY, FEB 24

Kentville	8:30 AM	Maynard Barry by Wayne Barry
Digby	9:00 AM	Wayne Comeau by Andre & June Turcot

### SATURDAY, FEB 25

Bridgetown	4:00 PM	Mel Bateman by Patsy Sabean
Kentville	4:00 PM	Moe Harquail by Jennie Harquail
Digby	4:00 PM	Clifford Mullen Jr. by Marilyn Mullen

### SUNDAY, FEB 26

Windsor	8:30 AM	Anne Isenor by Jim & Paula Carter
Annapolis Royal	9:00 AM	Frank Pugh by Donald & Barbara Theriault
Berwick	9:00 AM	Deceased Members of Gillis & Knox Families by Judy Knox & Family
Kentville/Online	10:30 AM	Louisa Cooper by Bernie Cooper
Middleton	11:00 AM	Ronald Melance by his Wife & Family
Weymouth	11:30 AM	Marion Deveau by Marion & Greg MacDonald
Wolfville	12:15 PM	Mildred Shipley by Tom & Peggy Foley



**Booklet – Lenten Daily Readings are now available ... \$2 offering**

**2022 Income Tax Receipts:** These are available for pickup.

**Knights of Columbus Bishop Gallagher Council 6297, Middleton** - February 19, 2023, is the monthly Knights Mass, in addition to the regular Mass we will be remembering the Deceased Knights of Council 6297. When you see men in our Churches wearing a yellow and white Baldric, they are Knights of Columbus which is a group of Catholic gentlemen working to support many different charitable organizations in your community. You can ask any of those men what we do in the community and how you can join us in our charitable good works.

**St Joseph's, Kentville Family Night:** Wondering what's exciting to do on Heritage (Family) weekend? Here's an idea to put on your calendar! **Family Night** - Sunday, **Feb 19, 6-8:30 pm**, St. Joseph's Parish Centre, Kentville. Come Enjoy an Evening of Fellowship, Games (Cards & Board), Outdoor Activities (Sledding, Ground hockey), and Complimentary Hot dogs, chips, snacks, refreshments (Hot Chocolate, Tea, Coffee).  
*Hope to see you there!*



### **Shrove Tuesday Pancake Suppers**



**St Anthony's, Berwick, Feb 21** - Eat In or Take-Out from 4:30-6:30 pm. Free will offering for Development & Peace. Some of the Men of St Anthony's & Friends will be our chefs.

**St Monica's Hall, Middleton, Feb 21** – Eat In, from 5:00-6:30 pm. Free will offering. Supper held by Knights of Columbus Bishop Gallagher Council 6297.

**St Joseph's, Kentville, Feb 21** - The Knights will be having a pancake & sausage supper in the Multi-Purpose Room at St. Joseph's for a free will offering. The time is 5pm to 6:30pm.

**St. Francis of Assisi, Wolfville, Feb 21** – Eat in or Take-Out from 5:00-6:30 pm. Free will offering in support of the Saint Vincent de Paul Society. Supper will be provided by the members of Saint Vincent de Paul Society. For Take-Out, you can phone ahead at 902-542-9499.

**St. Joseph's (Kentville) Catholic Women's League** meets monthly on the second Wednesday at 2pm in the Fr. Jack's hall. All members and interested women are welcomed to come and share in companionship to warm the heart and spirit. For more information, please call President Ann Myers at 902-678-3537 or 902-680-8957.

## **Ash Wednesday** – Feb. 22<sup>nd</sup>

*The beginning of Lent*

**9am** – Windsor, Kentville, Berwick, Bridgetown

**10am** – Annapolis Royal

**4pm** – Weymouth

**5pm** - Wolfville

**6:30pm** – Kentville, Middleton, Digby

This Lent, Corpus Christi Parish is encouraging all of us to take one or both of the following **Lenten offerings**. Both are online.

- 1) Take the free online course, "**Holy is His Name**" by Scott Hahn. It is a 12-part online course which examines our call to holiness. "You shall be holy, for I am holy," says our God in I Peter 1:16. Learn the meaning of holiness from the origins of Scripture and see what holiness looks like in our lives today. Experience the transformative power of God's holiness with Scott Hahn. You can find the [link](https://stpaulcenter.com/holystudy/?utm_source=full_list-holy_study&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=holy_study&utm_content=button-holy_study) to sign up for this course at: [https://stpaulcenter.com/holystudy/?utm\\_source=full\\_list-holy\\_study&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=holy\\_study&utm\\_content=button-holy\\_study](https://stpaulcenter.com/holystudy/?utm_source=full_list-holy_study&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=holy_study&utm_content=button-holy_study)
- 2) Corpus Christi parish is offering **Dynamic Catholic's Best Lent Ever 2.0** via Flocknote. Awaken the greatness within you by experiencing Holy Moments. You experience a holy moment every time you choose to be kind, generous, selfless, or express any form of goodness. The **videos** will help you to slow down and connect with God. If you are signed up for Flocknote, you will receive Best Lent Ever 2.0 videos in your email daily.

### **St Anthony (Berwick) Lenten Project - 40 Item Boxes for Chrysalis House**

Rather than giving up on sweets or chocolate, we would like to focus on giving something to support someone in need. Our goal is to provide at least **10 boxes** filled with needed supplies to families using this service. One item for each day of Lent. Nine boxes will be given out at Mass on Sun Feb 19, Ash Wed Feb 22 and Sun Feb 26 to those wishing to participate. One box will remain at the church for those who would like to contribute some items when coming to Mass. A list of suggested items will be attached to each box. Chrysalis House will be contacted to learn the items most needed. The boxes will be collected on Good Friday, April 7 and taken to Chrysalis House.

Chrysalis House was suggested as it is in our area and it falls into the 'Helping the Homeless' objective of the Archdiocese. Participants can add items to their boxes that are not on the list but which they feel would be useful or a treat. A prayer will be specifically created for this activity. This can be said daily as items are added to the box. Chrysalis House gives support to Women and their children in crisis situations.

**Corpus Christi Catholic Books & Gifts (Middleton):** In the season of Lent, we meditate upon the love and mercy of Christ as reflected on the Crucifix. We have affordable crucifixes and crosses for all ages, to be placed in our homes as an expression of our gratitude, our desire to live in Christ, our need for His strength in our sufferings, and our trust in His forgiveness and grace. Also, Way of the Cross booklets. Available at **St. Monica's Church Hall** after Sunday Mass or call Mary Crooks 902-825-6495.

## Change in Sunday Morning Mass Times

*effective 26 Feb 2023 (1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent)*

8:30am – **Windsor**, 10:30am – **Kentville**, 12:15pm – **Wolfville**

### **Stations of the Cross**

*Fridays during Lent – starting Feb 24*

**3 pm** - Annapolis Royal, Middleton, Weymouth

**6:30 pm** – Berwick, Windsor

**6:30pm** – Kentville ... followed by *Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament* (7:15-8:15pm)

**7 pm** - Digby

**Frozen Meals on Wheels**: Available in Digby County including Digby Neck and Weymouth from VON Tri-County. More than 15 nutritionally balanced meals available. Will deliver to your door for free with a minimum of 5 entrées per order. \$6 per Entrée. For more information or to order, call 902-746-3627 or 1-800-928-3414 ext 234 or email: CSSTri-County@von.ca

### **Coldest Night of The Year (CNOY) Walk**

**Saturday, Feb 25<sup>th</sup> - Kentville**

Coldest Night of The Year Walk in support of **Open Arms Outreach**.

*Hope for the Hapless, Hungry and Homeless.*

Join a team, walk alone, check out the site - CNOY.org or contact Kathy Rogers 902-678-6994 or 902-680-5107.

**World Day of Prayer** - St. Louis CWL, Annapolis Royal, NS will be hosting this year's Ecumenical service for the World Day of Prayer at **2 pm** on **Friday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>** in the St Louis Church Hall. This service has been prepared by the women of Taiwan and this year's theme is "I have heard about your faith". The offering collected will be donated to the Women's Interchurch Council of Canada (WICC). A time of fellowship will follow the service.

**St. Francis, Wolfville** seeks musician(s) to join the **Music Ministry Team**. Our keyboard is capable of transposition, there are microphones and an amp with open channels available for guitar or other instruments. Ability to lead hymns, psalm and parts of the Mass required. Currently have a team of cantors who prefer accompaniment. If interested or to learn more, please email Suzie: [suzie\\_blatth@hotmail.com](mailto:suzie_blatth@hotmail.com)

**Ultreya** ... will be held at St. Anthony's Church Hall, **Berwick** on Thursday, February 23 at 7pm.

Bring a friend and a snack to share. *All are welcome!*

# GOD'S QUIET PRESENCE IN OUR LIVES

by Fr. Ron Rolheiser o.m.i.

*One of the reasons why we struggle with faith is that God's presence inside us and in our world is rarely dramatic, overwhelming, sensational, something impossible to ignore.*

God doesn't work like that. God's presence, much to our frustration and loss of patience sometimes, is something that lies quiet and seemingly helpless inside us. It rarely makes a huge splash.

Because we are not sufficiently aware of this, we tend to misunderstand the dynamics of faith and find ourselves habitually trying to ground our faith on precisely something that is loud and dramatic. We are forever looking for something beyond what God gives us.

But we should know from the very way God was born into our world, that faith needs to ground itself on something that is quiet and undramatic. Jesus, as we know, was born into our world with no fanfare and no power, a baby lying helpless in the straw, another child among millions. Nothing spectacular to human eyes surrounded his birth. Then, during his ministry, he never performed miracles to prove his divinity; but only as acts of compassion or to reveal something about God. Jesus never used divine power to prove that God exists, beyond doubt. His ministry, like his birth, wasn't an attempt to prove God's existence. It was intended rather to teach us what God is like, and that God loves us unconditionally.

Jesus' teaching about God's presence in our lives also makes clear that this presence is mostly quiet and hidden. God lies inside us, deep inside, but in a way that's almost non-existent, almost unfelt, largely unnoticed, and easily ignored. While that presence is never overpowering, it has within it a gentle, unremitting imperative, a compulsion towards something higher, which invites us to draw upon it.

However, unlike most everything else that's trying to get our attention, God never tries to overwhelm us. God, more than anyone else, respects our freedom. For this reason, God lies everywhere, inside us and around us, almost unfelt, largely unnoticed, and easily ignored, a quiet, gentle nudge; but, if drawn upon, the ultimate stream of love and energy.

