



2023Fr. John MacPherson, Pastor  
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5th Sunday of Lent

March 26, 2023



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**This Week's Readings**

	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Reading</b>	<b>Gospel</b>
Sun, Mar 26	Ezekiel 37:12-14	John 11:1-45
Mon, Mar 27	Daniel 13:1-9,15-17,19-30,33-62	John 8:1-11
Tues, Mar 28	Numbers 21:4-9	John 8:21-30
Wed, Mar 29	Daniel 3:14-20,91-92,95	John 8:31-42
Thurs, Mar 30	Genesis 17:3-9	John 8:51-59
Fri, Mar 31	Jeremiah 20:10-13	John 10:31-43
Sat, Apr 1	Ezekiel 37:21-28	John 11:45-56

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4. PAR (Pre-Authorized Remittances)
5. Through the mail, send to Kentville Parish Office

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**Scripture Reflection** on the readings for the following Sunday and **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** held weekly on **Tuesdays**.  
**Berwick** - 10:00 am Scripture reflection; 11:00 am Rosary and Exposition until Noon  
**Middleton** - 2:00 pm Scripture reflection; 3:00 pm Rosary and Exposition until 4:00pm



## Mass Times & Intentions

### **SATURDAY, MAR 25**

Bridgetown	4:00 PM	Mel Bateman by Jon & Lynn Main
Kentville	4:00 PM	Marie D'Eon by Hubert D'Eon
Digby	6:00 PM	Sue Kavanagh by Anna & Danny Corbett

### **SUNDAY, MAR 26**

Windsor	8:30 AM	Emilier Gaudet by Joan & David Folker
Annapolis Royal	9:00 AM	Frank Pugh by the Parishioners of St Louis
Berwick	9:00 AM	Lorraine Beaton by Judy Knox
Kentville/Online	10:30 AM	Gerard Farrell by Catherine Farrell
Middleton	11:00 AM	Ted Lohnes by Gordon MacDonald
Weymouth	11:30 AM	Edward LeBlanc by the family
Wolfville	12:15 PM	Souls in Purgatory by Rosaire Blais

### **MONDAY, MAR 27**

Berwick	9:00 AM	Lionel d'Entremont by Colleen Stephenson & John McNeil
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### **TUESDAY, MAR 28**

Kentville	8:30 AM	Doris Dandurand by Pat Crossman
Digby	6:30 PM	Stephen Kline by Joan Donnelly

### **WEDNESDAY, MAR 29**

Kentville	8:30 AM	Daniel Moran by Joan & Hector Pottie
Middleton	9:00 AM	Mildred Shipley by Fred & Marion Hole
Weymouth	6:30 PM	Wayne Hone by a Family member

### **THURSDAY, MAR 30**

Kentville	8:30 AM	Intentions of Gordon MacDonald by Tom & Peggy Foley
Berwick	9:00 AM	Bernald Fitzgerald by his Grandchildren
Weymouth	6:30 PM	Intentions for Brooklyn LeBlanc by Rosetta LeBlanc

### **FRIDAY, MAR 31**

Kentville	8:30 AM	John Gaudet by Doris Gaudet
Digby	9:00 AM	Paul O'Sullivan by Joan & Lee Eisan

### **SATURDAY, APRIL 1**

Bridgetown	4:00 PM	Rita Herbst by Marcia & Larry Corneal
Kentville	4:00 PM	Intentions of George Lemieux by Joseph Lemieux
Digby	6:00 PM	Bruce Avery by the Avery Family

### **SUNDAY, APRIL 2**

Windsor	8:30 AM	George Carson by Alice Kimball
Annapolis Royal	9:00 AM	Cathy Emin by Pat & Alan Dill
Berwick	9:00 AM	Collins MacLellan by Colette Pellerine
Kentville/Online	10:30 AM	George Pellerin by Dennis & Barb Nash
Middleton	11:00 AM	Paul Dill by Susan Dill & Family
Weymouth	11:30 AM	Daniel LeBlanc by Alvina & Micheal LeBlanc
Wolfville	12:15 PM	Family Intentions by Linda Gordon

## Stations of the Cross

*Fridays during Lent*

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

**6:30 pm** – Berwick

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

**7 pm** – Digby

**Special Envelope Collection:** On March 26, there is a special collection envelope for **Development & Peace** ... helping the world's most vulnerable populations suffering from injustice, poverty and humanitarian emergencies. Please write cheques to *Corpus Christi Parish*.

**Easter Flowers** - If you would like to contribute to the purchase of flowers for Easter, please put in an envelope marked "**Easter Flowers**" and place in the collection basket with your name and envelope number.

## Development & Peace News

### **Week 5: March 26 – Solidarity Sunday**

This Solidarity Sunday, Development and Peace — Caritas Canada's *Stand for the Land* campaign invites you to give generously and thanks you warmly for your generosity. Your donation transforms the lives of some of our most vulnerable sisters and brothers across the world. **Our solidarity rests on your generosity.** "The support we receive from Development and Peace has been very important for me. It allowed me to find myself, to live again." — Raquel Soto, participant in the documentary filmmaking school of the *Asociación Campesina de Antioquia* (ACA, Peasant Association of Antioquia) Such is the difference you can make by giving to your Share Lent parish collection or at [devp.org/give](http://devp.org/give). Thank you for helping us build a world of justice.

### **Reconciliation (Individual Confession) for Lent**

Tuesday, March 28<sup>th</sup>

- St. John (Windsor) 5-7pm
- St. Patrick (Digby) 4-6pm

Wednesday, March 29<sup>th</sup>

- St. Joseph (Kentville) 5-8pm

Thursday, March 30<sup>th</sup>

- St. Monica (Middleton) 5-7pm

**St. Patrick's Church, Digby** is hosting a **Lenten Luncheon** in solidarity with the people of Syria and Turkey. This will be held on **Saturday April 1<sup>st</sup> at 12noon**. It is a fundraiser for the survivors of the catastrophic earthquakes which struck their countries. We are asking for a free will offering. The meal will consist of a bowl of fish chowder or soup, a roll, and your choice of tea or coffee. There will be a guest speaker, Cathy Radul, who will speak of her experiences travelling abroad to Tanzania and the impact it had on her.

## Holy Triduum Schedule

<b>Holy Thursday</b>	7 pm – Weymouth, Middleton, Kentville
<b>Good Friday</b>	1 pm – Bridgetown, Windsor 3 pm – Annapolis Royal, Middleton, Kentville 4 pm – Berwick, Wolfville 6 pm – Digby
<b>Easter Vigil</b>	8 pm – Digby, Berwick, Kentville
<b>Easter Sunday</b>	8:30 am – Windsor 9:00 am – Annapolis Royal, Bridgetown 10:30 am – Kentville 11:00 am – Middleton 11:30 am – Weymouth 12:15 pm – Wolfville



### Good Friday Fish Chowder Suppers



**Middleton:** There will be a Fish Chowder supper at St Monica's following the Good Friday service April 7. It will be a free will offering, with take-out available. All are welcome.

**Berwick:** A Fish Chowder Supper will be held at St. Anthony's Hall, Berwick on Good Friday, April 7 following the Good Friday 4:00 pm Service. There will be biscuits & rolls, tea & coffee and corn chowder, as an option. A free will offering will be accepted.

**Corpus Christi Catholic Books & Gifts:** Affordable Children's Books for their Easter Baskets to encourage the true joy of Jesus' Resurrection in their hearts and minds (\$1.00 - \$6.00). Also, Children's Musical CD of Eleven Easter Songs (\$5.95). Easy to mail. Available at St. Monica's church hall after Sunday Mass or call Mary Crooks 902-825-6495.

## Student Scholarships

**Kentville Knights of Columbus** - Applications for the **Knights of Columbus State Scholarship** and for the **Kentville Council Scholarship** are available. To obtain an application or to get more information please inquire by e mail at [counc5030@gmail.com](mailto:counc5030@gmail.com) or [dvinters@gmail.com](mailto:dvinters@gmail.com). The deadline is April 10.

**Middleton Knights of Columbus** – Bishop Gallagher Council 6297 have a **Student Bursary** in the amount of \$500 for a student attending a post-secondary educational institute in the school year 2023-2024. Bursary applicants can also be adult students attending post-secondary institutes. Bursary application closing is May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023. For applications in their respective Churches please contact.

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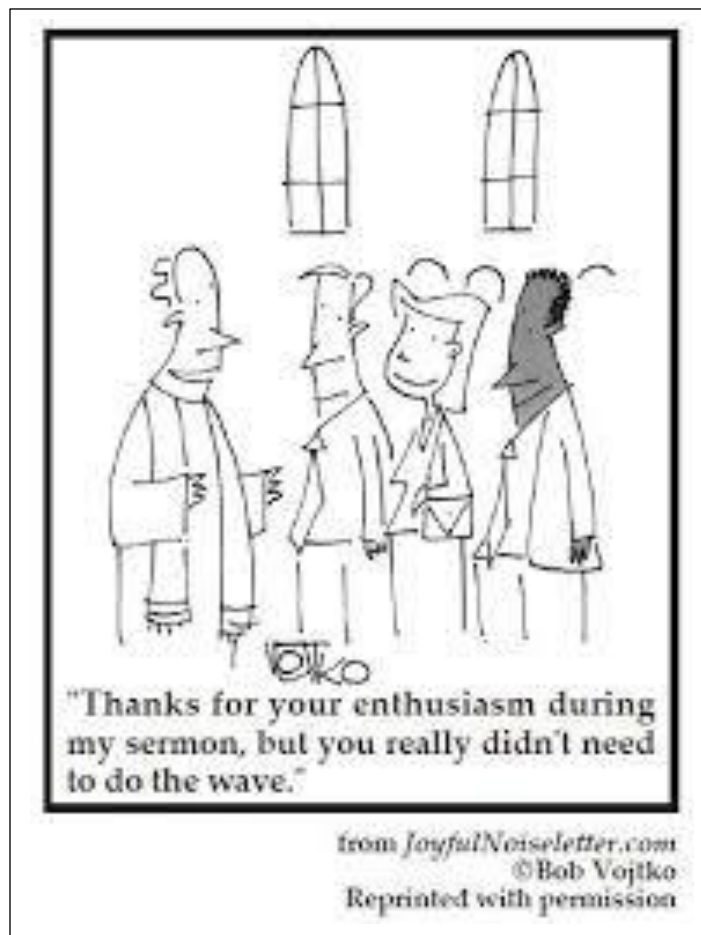
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**St. Joseph's Weymouth - Parking Reminder:** The driveway to the house behind the church should not be blocked. That is private property and people should not park in their driveway. Thank you

**Baptism at St Louis, Annapolis Royal** - Lucas van Dunn was baptized last Sunday, March 19. He is the son of Anna & Hugo van Dunn. Pictures below 1) Youngest and oldest members of St Louis, Lucas and Nic McEachern 2) Lucas with Fr Raymond, his mom & dad, sisters, brothers, grandparents, Ernest & Karen, aunts and uncle.



***This notice was approved by the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia***

**NOTICE OF SETTLEMENT IN CLASS ACTION**

**To all individuals who were sexually abused by a priest of the Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation of Halifax or Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation of Yarmouth between April 14, 1954 and March 31, 2020 and have not previously settled or otherwise released either the Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation of Halifax or Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation of Yarmouth.**

**The Court has approved a settlement which provides compensation to eligible class members who file a claim for sexual assault and meet the requirements of the claims process.**

If you opted out of the class action, the settlement will not impact you.

If you are part of the lawsuit as a Class Member, you can submit a claim for a payment of money as compensation. The amount of money that you may receive will depend on the specifics of the claim you submit. The potential amount of money to be paid to a Class Member whose claim is accepted will likely range from \$30,000 to \$350,000.

For further information, visit <https://kmlaw.ca/cases/catholic-priest-sexual-abuse-class-action/> or call 1-833-630-1785, or email [catholicabuseclassaction@kmlaw.ca](mailto:catholicabuseclassaction@kmlaw.ca).

You must submit your claim for compensation before December 14, 2023. If you do not submit your claim for compensation before December 14, 2023, you will lose your right to compensation.

## **A Crack In Our Pitcher**

by Fr. Ron Rolheiser o.m.i.

*There's a much-quoted line from Leonard Cohen that suggests that the place where we are broken is also the place where our redemption starts: There is a crack in everything, that's how the light gets in.*

That's true. A major wound is often the place where wisdom flows into our lives and a weakness that habitually overpowers us can keep us aware of our need for grace. But that's half of the equation. A fault, while keeping us humble, can also keep us in mediocrity and joylessness.

Even when the fault is not big, it still serves to block us from deeper growth and deeper happiness. John of the Cross has an axiom that says it doesn't matter in the end whether a bird is attached to the ground by a heavy chain or a light string – it can't fly in either case. He cautions us strongly against being comfortable with any of our faults or addictions by rationalizing that this or that fault is not so serious and that we are fundamentally good persons, despite our weakness.

If we grow comfortable with an addiction or fault inside us, we will also find ourselves impoverished in another way: it will rob us of real happiness. Our addictions, our infidelities, and our less-than-healthy indulgences might well bring us some pleasure, but these never bring us joy. Joy is not the same as pleasure. There can be a lot of pleasure in our lives even as our hearts are sad, and our consciences are heavy.

True joy is something beyond pleasure and can co-exist with renunciation and pain. It is dependent rather on honesty, transparency, and gratitude, the real hallmarks of sanctity. When we are honest in examining our experience, we know this truth. We have been happiest and most at peace at those times when I have been faithful, honest, fully transparent, when all the goods were on the table, and had nothing to hide, even if I was less than perfect.

Nobody is perfect, but we must never grow comfortable with our faults and rationalize them because they are not grievous or because we can keep them hidden. If one small crack in a pitcher goes unrepaired, the damage will still be enough to cause all the liquid to leak out.

**1st Reconciliation/1st Communion** – if you have a child that is in this age bracket (at least 7 years old – Grade 2) and is interested in celebrating these Sacraments, please let us know. We have lists but we don't want to miss anyone. In some of the churches of our parish, preparation has already begun – in other churches, preparation will begin after Easter.

### **High School Youth Group Launch!!!**

5-7pm Saturday, March 25<sup>th</sup> (after 4pm Mass)  
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