



**IMMACULATE
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CATHOLIC CHURCH**

**Sunday Bulletin
4th Sunday Lent**

Parish Priest: Father Jeyapaul Packiasamy

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Lost in sin, we cut ourselves off from the grace of sonship lavished upon us in Baptism. It is still possible for us to come to our senses, make our way back to the Father, as the prodigal does, but only He can remove the reproach and restore the divine sonship we have spurned. Only He can free us from the slavery to sin that causes us—like the Prodigal Son—to see God not as our Father but as our master, One we serve as slaves. God wants not slaves but children. Like the father in today's Gospel, He longs to call each of us "My son," to share His life with us, to tell us: "Everything I have is yours."

The Father's words of longing and compassion still come to His prodigal children in the Sacrament of Penance. This is part of what Paul today calls "the ministry of reconciliation" entrusted by Jesus to the Apostles and the Church. Reconciled like Israel, we take our place at the table of the Eucharist, the homecoming banquet the Father calls for His lost sons, the new Passover we celebrate this side of heaven. We taste the goodness of the Lord, as we sing in today's Psalm, rejoicing that we who were dead are found alive again.

Yours in Christ, Scott Hahn, PhD More information at www.stpaulcenter.com

Crusade Prayer (133) A Call to return to God

Dear Jesus, forgive me, an estranged soul, who renounced You, because I was blind. Forgive me for substituting Your Love with useless things which mean nothing. Help me to pluck up the courage to walk by Your side, to accept with gratitude, Your Love and Mercy. Help me to remain close to Your Sacred Heart and to never wander away from You again...Amen



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MASS TIMES

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| SUNDAY | 11:00 am |
| Rosary | 10:30 am |
| Monday | 9:00 am |
| Tuesday | 9:00 am |
| Wednesday | 9:00 am |
| Thursday | 9:00 am |
| Friday | 7:00 pm |
| Saturday | 7:00 pm |

RECONCILIATION

Friday 7:30 – 8:15 pm
and by appointment

ADORATION

Friday 7:30–8:15 pm

Sunday Mass Readings

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| 1st Reading | Joshua 5.9a-10-12 |
| 2nd Reading | 2Corinthians 5.17-21 |
| Responsorial | Psalm 34 |
| Gospel | Luke 15.1-3, 11-32 |

Submissions for the Sunday Bulletin
before 5:00 pm Thurs to
icccparish@gmail.com



Found Alive Again

In today's First Reading, God forgives "the reproach" of the generations who grumbled against Him after the Exodus. On the threshold of the promised land, Israel can with a clean heart celebrate the Passover, the feast of God's firstborn son (see [Joshua 5:6–7](#); [Exodus 4:22](#); [12:12–13](#)). Reconciliation is also at the heart of the story Jesus tells in today's Gospel. The story of the Prodigal Son is the story of Israel and of the human race. But it is also the story of every believer. In Baptism, we're given a divine birthright, made "a new creation," as Paul puts it in today's Epistle. But when we sin, we're like the Prodigal Son, quitting our Father's house, squandering our inheritance in trying to live without Him...see reverse.



03-27-2022
4th Sunday Lent

Parish Pastoral Council meets 1st Tuesday after Mass at 7pm; no meeting July or August
Parish Financial Council meets 2nd Tuesday after Mass at 7pm; no meeting July or August
CWL meets 4th Tues after Mass at 7pm; no meeting July or August

Sunday Collection 03-20-2022 = \$ 1076.50
\$1,200.00 NEEDED

| Date | | Lector/Reader 1 | Lector/Reader 2 | Gift Bearer | Altar Server/Cross Bearer | Music Ministry |
|------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| 03-20-2022 | 3 rd Sunday Lent | Lucille Partington | Mary McLaughlin | Larry + Vella Anderson | TBA | Pat Zmean + Chelsea Pal |
| 03-27-2022 | 4 th Sunday Lent | Joe Raskauskas | Barb London | Steve + Barb London | TBA | Pat Zmean + Chelsea Pal |
| 04-03-2022 | 5 th Sunday Lent | Cecile Gregory | Sharon Lagace | John + Mary Vavrek | TBA | TBA |
| 04-10-2022 | Palm Sunday | Karen Leslie | Janelle Durda | Frank + Ruth Pohr | TBA | TBA |
| 04-14-2022 | Holy Thursday | TBA | TBA | TBA | TBA | TBA |
| 04-15-2022 | Good Friday | TBA | TBA | TBA | TBA | TBA |
| 04-16-2022 | Easter Vigil | TBA | TBA | TBA | TBA | Carmen + Mona + Shirley |
| 04-17-2022 | Easter Sunday | TBA | TBA | TBA | TBA | TBA |

Food Drive for Easter

Our Parish CWL will be collecting food items for the Food Bank from March 6th -April 10th which will be taken to the food bank for Easter distribution.

Feasts and Saints of the Week

Saturday | 04-02-2022 | St. Francis of Paola

Quote of the Week

“If you want your petition to be heard, hear the petition of others. When you fast see the fasting of others. If you hope for mercy, show mercy. If you look for kindness, show kindness. If you want to receive, give.”
St. Peter Chrysologus

Way Of The Cross followed by

Mass and Adoration on Fridays at 6:30 pm. It will be offered this coming Friday for the “Prisoners of War: who we remember rarely in our prayers. Come pray for them

Mass Intentions for March 27- April 2, 2022

| | Offered By | Offered For |
|-----|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| Sun | | |
| Mon | Family of Brenda Sereda | RIP: Brenda Sereda |
| Tue | Parishioner | Intention of Parishioner |
| Wed | | |
| Thu | | |
| Fri | | |
| Sat | | |



Call Cecile Gregory with prayer requests urgent or emergency
587-202-8887

Wade Kaczkielo, Karen Leslie, Don Lozeron, infant Parker Nellis, Brooklynne Russell and for all the sick and needy in our community.

Lenten Retreat

“From Parishioner to Disciples”
Presenter: Father Ed Eherer. C.S.s.R.
April 2, 2022 10:00 am – 12:00 Noon with Lunch
Kindly sign up if you would attend.

Share Lent Collection

We will have the Share Lent Collection next Sunday. Share Lent is organized by Development and Peace – Caritas Canada. The funds gathered will allow Caritas Canada to help to transform the lives in about 30 countries around the world. We are invited to support Share Lent campaign.

Holy Week Readers

We need Readers for Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter Vigil and Easter Day Mass. Kindly sign up if you would like to read the Word of God on these Holy days. Sign up sheet at the entrance of the church. Thank you

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