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FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT—B

February 21, 2021



One does not live by bread alone but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.

The challenge for this Lent Season that is put to us not just this week but every time we gather to celebrate is to believe the good news. During Lent, we are being challenged to hear and believe that we have become children of God through baptism and that God says to each of us: 'You are my beloved.' It is hard to accept this, and many voices try to convince us that it is not the truth. So Lent is a wonderful opportunity to rediscover our worth and the wonder of coming to life in Christ. The readings today challenge us to focus on the rainbow, the beautiful faithfulness and love of God. Let that be the focus of all we undertake during this journey of Lent.

I DOMENICA DI QUARESIMA

La buona notizia di questo tempo quaresimale è completata dal brano di san Pietro che insegna: l'acqua del diluvio è immagine e profezia del battesimo; come dall'acqua del diluvio uscì l'umanità nuova, così dall'acqua del Battesimo esce l'uomo nuovo, libero dal peccato, capace di rivolgersi a Dio e di invocarlo come Padre. I tre brani biblici, scritti in tempi diversi, danno un unico messaggio: Dio è entrato nella nostra storia in virtù della risurrezione del suo Figlio e ci chiama a condividere la sua gloria. La luce della risurrezione di Gesù è il nuovo arcobaleno che illumina, con i mille colori dell'amore di Dio per noi. La nostra vita, grazie all'acqua del Battesimo, è liberata dal male. Noi siamo prediletti figli di Dio.



Parish Office Hours: Monday to Friday 9:00am-12 noon 1:00pm- 4:00pm

For Daily & Weekend Mass Intentions see inside

SATURDAY: 5:00 PM (English)

SUNDAY: 9:00 AM (Italian - English) & 11:00 AM (English)

Registration:

Parish Census Forms at Church entrance or call the Office.

Baptism:

Parish Membership & Baptism class required. Please contact the Office.

Marriage:

Parish Membership & Preparation required. Call Office 6 months in advance.

Reconciliation - Confession:

Saturday 4:00pm & 30 min. before each Mass or on request.

Anointing of the sick:

Every First Friday of the Month during the Mass & on request.

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The New Creation

Lent bids us return to the innocence of our Baptism. As Noah and his family were saved through the waters of the

deluge, we were saved through the waters of Baptism, as Peter reminds us in today's Epistle.

We see that new covenant and that new creation begin in today's Gospel. Jesus is portrayed as the new Adam—the beloved son of God, living in harmony with the wild beasts, being served by angels. Like Adam, He too is tempted by the devil. But while Adam fell, giving reign to sin and death, Jesus is victorious. This is the good news, the “gospel of God” that He proclaims. Through His death, resurrection, and enthronement at the right hand of the Father, the world is once again made God's kingdom.

In the waters of Baptism, each of us entered the kingdom of His beloved Son. We were made children of God, new creations. But like Jesus and Israel before Him, we have passed through the baptismal waters only to be driven into the wilderness—a world filled with afflictions and tests of our faithfulness. We are led on this journey by Jesus. He is the Savior—the way and the truth we sing of in today's Psalm. He feeds us with the bread of angels and cleanses our consciences in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. As we begin this holy season, let us renew our baptismal vows—to repent and believe the Gospel. - Scott Hahn.

FIRST COMMUNION 2021: The dates for the 2021 First Communion have been set for June 5th & 6th, 2021. Parents who have registered their child to receive the Sacrament have received an email. If you did not receive an email, we have not received a registration form from you. If you wish to register your child to receive their First Communion, please contact the office in order to obtain a registration form. *Please remember to attend Mass every Sunday as the best preparation for First Communion.*

*****An information meeting for First Communion students and their parents has been scheduled for Monday, February 22 at 7:00pm. Due to the Covid protocols, parents with their child (3 people/family Maximum) should plan to be at church by 6:45pm so that the meeting can begin on time. The meeting will last less than an hour.**

CONFIRMATION 2021: The dates for the 2021 Confirmation have been set for May 1st & May 2nd, 2021. Parents who have registered their child to receive the Sacrament have received an email. If you did not receive an email, we have not received a registration form from you. If you wish to register your child to receive their Sacrament of Confirmation, please contact the office to obtain a registration form.

An information meeting for all candidates, sponsors and ONE parent has been scheduled for Monday, March 1st at 7:00pm. Please plan to arrive by 6:45 pm in order to clear the COVID protocols promptly so that the meeting can begin on time. A short Commitment Ceremony will be part of this meeting. The meeting will last less than an hour.

BEST YOUTH ON HILLS: We are having virtual meetings. All youth are invited. Please watch for a Zoom invitation by email and on Facebook at Best Youth on Hills. Any new youth who wish to participate can email: cocci5@tbaytel.net to request the Zoom invitation.

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COMMUNITY MESSAGES:

SUNDAY MASS WITH BISHOP COLLI: Each week-end Bishop Colli celebrates Sunday Mass for shut-ins and those unable to attend Mass at this time. Please visit the Diocesan website at: www.dotb.ca

ADULT FAITH FORMATION OFFICE & 4 SEASON'S GIFT SHOP: are open- Monday—Friday, 8:30am—4:30pm and Saturday's 10am-2pm. Call 343-9313 for more info.



MASS INTENTIONS February 22 — 28, 2021

Monday, February 22

All Parishioners
Angela & Antonietta Magisano

9:00am English

Pastor
P. Magisano

Tuesday, February 23

Rosa Coltellaro

7:00pm Italian

Amerigo

Wednesday, February 24

Marcello & Domenico Donato & Defunti Famiglia Family
Vincenzo Romeo & Deceased Romeo & Bruzzese Family
Costanza, Domenico & Eva Sacchetti E. Sanzo & Fam.

7:00pm English

Thursday, February 25

Sam Larizza Rocco, Pina, Bruna
Bobby Carvalho, Manuel & Jorge Rodriguez Family
Ernesto Romito late Esterina
Natalina Quinn Family

7:00pm Italian

Friday, February 26

All Parishioners

7:00pm English

Pastor

Saturday, February 27

5:00pm

Francesco Colistro
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Savioli Family
B. & E. Melchiorre

Sunday, February 28 Second Sunday of Lent

9:00am

Rocco & Maria Francesca Larizza
Angelo Nardari
Carmine & Antonetta DeGrazia
Rachele Costanzo
Giuseppina Conforti
Bruno Larizza

figlia Bruna
Wife & Family
Family
Family
late Esterina
Family

11:00am

Maria Sacchetti C. Sacchetti & Fam.
Paolo Galle Family
Concetta Augruso L. & M. Nigro
Umberto Chies & In honour of Our Lady of Lourdes Marilla

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