

SCRIPTURES FOR NEXT SUNDAY 13 MARCH 2016

(Liturgical Year C)

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT**First Reading: Isaiah 43.16 – 21***I am about to do a new thing: I will give drink to my chosen people.***Second Reading: Philippians 3.8 - 14***I have suffered the loss of all things, in order that I may gain Christ.***Gospel: John 8.1 – 11***Let anyone among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone.***This Week****Saturday, March 05 Fourth Sunday of Lent**

9:00 a.m. OCSB Children's Choir

5:00 p.m. Mass

Sunday, March 06 Fourth Sunday of Lent

9:00 a.m. Mass for the People of the Parish

10:00 a.m. Sacramental Prep

11:00 a.m. Mass

12:00 p.m. Social Action Meeting

2:30 p.m. Create a Climate of Change**Monday, March 07**

9:00 a.m. Mass

6:00 p.m. OCSB Children's Choir

8:00 p.m. AA meeting – Westboro Step

Tuesday March 08

9:00 a.m. Mass

6:30 p.m. 1st Reconciliation

7:00 p.m. Bytown Voices

7:00 p.m. Mission & Social Justice Committee Meeting

Wednesday March 09 Mass at Notre Dame High School

9:00 a.m. Mass

1:00 p.m. Retirees Cards & Social

7:00 p.m. Imagine St Basil's

7:15 p.m. Choir

Thursday, March 10

9:00 a.m. Mass

7:00 p.m. Reconciliation Mass w/ Individual Confessions

Friday, March 11

9:00 a.m. Mass

8:00 p.m. AA meeting – By the Book

Saturday, March 12 Fifth Sunday of Lent

11:00 a.m. CWL Meeting

3:00 p.m. Imagine St Basil's

5:00 p.m. Mass for Patrick Kelly req. by Anna & Patricia

5:00 p.m. Mass for a Special Intention req. by Lynda Lennon

6:00 p.m. **St Patrick's Dinner Dance****Sunday, March 13 Fifth Sunday of Lent**

9:00 a.m. Mass

10:00 a.m. Imagine St Basil's

11:00 a.m. Mass for the People of the Parish

12:00 p.m. Imagine St Basil's

2:00 p.m. Imagine St Basil's



Parish News

FIRST COMMUNION

Here are the important dates for those who wish to prepare for First Communion at St Basil's. The preparation sessions will be in the Church Hall: **Mar. 6th, and Mar. 20th**. The children are to attend Children's Liturgy at the 9 am Mass followed by a half hour preparation session in the Church Hall (10 – 10:30 a.m.) on these dates. First Reconciliation will in the evening this **Tuesday March 8th**. First Communion will be at the 9 a.m. Mass on **Sunday April 3rd**. The two workbooks can be purchased for a total of \$25.00. If your child does not attend St Daniel's please contact the Parish Office to arrange for receipt and payment for these books. Please contact Maria Amadio maria.amadio@ocsb.ca to have your child registered for this program.

PLEASE JOIN US FOR:*"Create a Climate of Change"*

The last session is this Sunday

March 6

2:30 – 4 p.m.

We will reflect on Laudato Si, the letter of Pope Francis
On Care for our Common Home.

More info: co-chairs of the Mission & Social Justice Committee
(Their contact info is on the Bulletin cover)

LENTEN SCHEDULE

First Reconciliation	March 8 @ 6:30 p.m.
Mass of Reconciliation	March 10 @ 7:00 p.m. (Indv. Confessions)
Chrism Mass	March 22 @ Notre Dame Cathedral
Holy Thursday	March 24 @ 7 p.m.
Passion of Christ	March 25 @ 3 p.m.
Easter Vigil	March 26 @ 8 p.m.
Easter Sunday	March 27 @ 9 & 11 a.m.

LAST WEEK TO GET YOUR TICKETS!

The Knights of Columbus will be hosting their annual St. Patrick's Roast Beef Dinner with lively Irish music provided by the Rob Kealey Band on **Saturday, March 12th** in our Parish Hall starting at 6:00 pm. This popular event, which sold out last year, is the social highlight of our calendar year. Advance tickets \$22.50 per person and are available after all Masses this weekend. Proceeds to aid St. Basil's Building Initiative. Come and celebrate the Irish spirit!

TODAY'S QUOTE

"To imitate the hatred and violence of tyrants and murderers is the best way to take their place.."

Pope Francis

MASS OF RECONCILIATION

On **Thursday March 10th at 7 p.m.** there will be a Mass for Reconciliation during this Year of Mercy. Individual confessions will be available immediately following the Mass.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

The next meeting of the Prayer Shawl Ministry will be this **Monday March 7th at 9:30 a.m.** in the Sacristy.

SHARE LENT

The annual Share Lent campaign takes place next Sunday, **March 13**. St. Basil's Parish has always generously supported this collection for the work of Development and Peace. The theme this year is "Create a Climate of Change" inspired by the Holy Father's Encyclical *Laudato Si*. Information and envelopes will be found in the pews and at the back of the church, and there will be a short address by Jim Ramsay at the end of our Mass.

FAMILY MASS

Calling all children! The Family Mass takes place at 9 a.m. on the last Sunday of each month, and we are in need of helpers to participate in this regular liturgical celebration. Please contact Michelle Schafer at michelle.schafer@rogers.com if your child can help occasionally or ongoing with any of the following roles: *Greeter* to wish each parishioner a "good morning" when they enter. Collection to pass the basket with the help of ushers. Offertory the whole family can participate - we'll need at least 2 in the family who can carry the gifts. Prayers of the Faithful Gr 3 or higher reads the prepared prayers your child should be comfortable with public speaking. Reader for First reading student in Gr 6 or higher a good public speaker. Lector training is provided. Bulletins to distribute children's bulletins at end of Mass. Scheduled Family Masses will take place at 9 a.m. on Sunday March 27, April 24, May 29 and June 26.

RENOVATION CAMPAIGN – BENEFIT CONCERT

On **April 2, 2016 beginning at 1:30** the *National Capital Concert Band* under the direction of Maestro Rocco Romeo, will be performing a concert in support of *St Basil's Renovation Campaign*. Tickets will be on sale after each mass on *March 19th and March 26th* and will be available for purchase at the door. All proceeds will go to the Renovation Fund. Adults \$25, Family \$60. Come support the capital campaign and enjoy a concert event. The repertoire will include music to suit a variety of musical tastes including classical and symphonic works. This musical performance promises to shake us to our foundations with a wall of sound, as the band raises the roof with their bold brass, mellow woodwinds and driving percussion in equal measure.

MINISTRIES OF ST. BASIL'S

St Basil's Parish is blessed to have a large number of parishioners who are active in several different ministries. This year we will be describing the various pastoral ministries in periodic bulletin inserts. Please take time to learn about the varied and valuable contributions made by parishioners in these ministries. If you would like to join one of the ministries, contact information is on the front of the bulletin.

START OF IMAGINE ST. BASIL'S**DISCOVERING THE POSITIVE CORE OF OUR PARISH**

Fellow parishioners, the first Phase of Imagine St. Basil's begins this week and runs to Palm Sunday. Choose from among the 10 optional times and dates listed below and participate in this 1st Appreciative Inquiry dialogue. At mass today, we were placed into mission to 'Imagine St. Basil's'. Guided by the Design Team, our process starts with appreciating what we do well and gives us life. Phase 1 – Discovery to collect our individual positive experiences of being members of St. Basil's. Each of us, have experienced moments when we have felt most alive, spiritually touched, or excited about our involvement with our parish. In this first Phase of our deliberations, you will share, listen to and appreciate why these experiences are so meaningful. The whole of these positive stories will be expressed as the 'Statement of the positive core of St. Basil's'; the starting point for charting the path of the parish into the future. In the Narthex after mass today, members of the Imagine Design Team help you pick the session most convenient for you, and explain the process. Please select from among these options:
Wednesday evening, March 9th from 7:00 to 8:30 pm (Parish Hall)
Saturday afternoon, March 12th from 3:00 to 4:30 pm (Church)
Sunday morning, March 13th from 10:30 to noon (Parish Hall)
Sunday afternoon, March 13th from 12:15 to 2:00 (Parish Hall)
Sunday afternoon, March 13th from 2:30 to 4:00 pm (Parish Hall)
Tuesday evening, March 15th from 7:00 to 8:30 pm (Parish Hall)
Thursday evening, March 17th from 7:00 to 8:30 pm (Church)
Saturday afternoon, March 19th from 3:00 to 4:30 pm (Parish Hall)
Sunday afternoon, March 20th from 12:15 to 2:00 pm (Parish Hall)

LAUDATO SI

Laudato si', this is the fourth of six messages about On Care For Our Common Home, the Pope's environmental (natural and social) encyclical of Pope Francis.

- **Be truthful.** We must have the courage to be honest about our failings. We must not deny the evidence of what we are doing to our planet and to each other. We can celebrate the great human advances achieved thanks to fossil fuels, but also admit that emissions now threaten to make our planet uninhabitable. And it's time to stop pretending that there is an infinite supply of the earth's resources.

SHAMROCKS

Shamrocks will be on sale in the Narthex this weekend **March 5 and 6** as well as **March 12 and 13**. All proceeds go to St. Patrick's Home.

From the Diocese**PRAYERS FOR VOCATIONS**

4TH SUNDAY OF LENT ~ MARCH 6TH ~ For the faithful response of all persons now being called to seek out those who are lost and bring them back to life in Christ by serving Him and His Church as priests, deacons, sisters and brothers.

NEW EVANGELIZATION SUMMIT 2016

At the Westin Hotel, Ottawa with live-stream video to host sites across Canada and the US on April 15 & 16. Featuring world-class Catholic speakers. Details: (<https://www.newevangelization.ca/>).