

The Second Sunday of Lent – February 28, 2021

Tuesday, March 2nd, (<i>Opt Mem</i>)	
9:00 a.m.	A.I.D.
Wednesday, March 3rd	
9:00 a.m.	+Katharine Petsch (Erich & Mary Bliefert)
Thursday March 4th, <i>St. Casimir (Opt Mem)</i>	
6:30 p.m.	Eucharistic Exposition & Adoration
7:00 p.m.	+Bobby Graham (Colette Blaney)
Friday March 5th	
9:00 a.m.	+Katharine Petsch (Kelly Hegedus)
7:00 p.m.	Stations of the Cross
Saturday, March 6th	
5:00 p.m.	For the Living and Deceased Members of the Parish
Sunday, March 7th, 3rd <i>Sunday of Lent</i>	
St. Martin's 9:00 a.m.	For the Living and Deceased Members of the Parish
St. Mary's 11:00 a.m.	+Kevin Kraemer (Jean Kraemer & Family)

“Prayer joined to sacrifice constitutes the most powerful force in the history of man.”

- St. John Paul II -



The Sacrifice of Isaac - Juan de Valdez Leal (1622-1690)

**SHARE LOVE, SHARE LENT:
(RE)DISCOVER DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE.
Solidarity with communities in crises.**

Did you know that Development and Peace provides humanitarian aid to communities coping with climate change, conflict and natural disasters in over a dozen countries?

This week, the *Share Love, Share Lent* campaign looks at how your solidarity is meaningful for Rohingya refugees and their host communities in Bangladesh.

Please pray for communities affected by crises and help us to keep supporting them by contributing to the collection on the Fifth Sunday of Lent.

For inspiration, information and to donate, visit devp.org/lent.

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MINISTERS OF MUSIC VIRTUAL LENTEN RETREAT:

Saturday, March 13th, 2021 from 10:00 to 11:30 AM

Bishop-elect Lobsinger will reflect upon the music and text of hymns associated with Laetare Sunday (the Fourth Sunday of Lent). The retreat will be held virtually via Zoom. Register for free via the website:

www.hamiltondiocese.com

MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT:

Looking for a wonderful opportunity to spend time together as a couple, in the safety of your own home? Join the Virtual/Online Worldwide Marriage Encounter experience from March 5-7. During these stressful times, give your marriage a booster shot! Restore your loving communication with your spouse and rekindle the romance. The Marriage Encounter experience is a skill-building enrichment program where together, you, as husband and wife, learn how to be the best couple you can be. No group discussion. Based on Catholic values but open to couples of all faiths. Rediscover the love in your relationship! Contact: Marge & Gerard McCauley at gerard.marge@rogers.com or (905) 792-1925 or visit the website at: www.me.org



The Transfiguration – Jim Padgett (1931-2009)

2021 ENVELOPE PACKETS:

If you wish to receive your offertory envelope packet for 2021, please call or email Mary at stmelbadmin@wightman.ca or call 519-846-9541 and leave a message. Mary will return your message and make an arrangement with you.

If you are interested in beginning giving by electronic funds transfer, Mary will gladly assist you with this option.

Income Tax Receipts if not received at church the past two weekends, will arrive in the mail shortly.

Thank you for your continued support during this difficult time.

ANNIVERSARY MASS 2021 REGISTRATION:

The Anniversary Mass scheduled for June of 2021 has been cancelled due to restrictions and concerns around COVID-19. We invite you to register your 25, 40, 50, 60 and 60 plus years of marriage on the Diocesan website at www.hamiltondiocese.com. The Anniversary Mass is listed on the home page - click on the icon and you can register your anniversary. We will send you the certificate you would have received from Bishop Crosby at the Mass.

PRAYER REQUEST FOR ALL THE SICK:

For all the sick around the world especially those who feel alone in their struggles and those affected by the COVID-19 pandemic, all healthcare professionals and frontline workers.

For our sick parishioners and those who look after them:

Shannon Brinkman, Don Woodham, Felix Kozak, Argene Pellegrini, Tom Wunder, Kaelynn Heines, and family and friends. May they experience healing and comfort and may Our Blessed Mother Mary, Health of the sick, pray and intercede for us, Amen!