The First Sunday of Lent – February 21, 2021

"Are you capable of risking your life for someone? Do it for Christ." - St. John Paul II



The Temptation in the Wilderness – Briton Riviere (1840-1920)

FROM POPE FRANCIS IN FRATELLI TUTTI:

A Prayer to the Creator

Lord, Father of our human family, you created all human beings equal in dignity: pour forth into our hearts a fraternal spirit and inspire in us a dream of renewed encounter, dialogue, justice and peace. Move us to create healthier societies and a more dignified world, a world without hunger, poverty, violence and war. May our hearts be open to all the peoples and nations of the earth. May we recognize the goodness and beauty that you have sown in each of us, and thus forge bonds of unity, common projects, and shared dreams. Amen

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SHARE LOVE, SHARE LENT: (RE)DISCOVER DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE.

The Share Love, Share Lent campaign is inspired Pope Francis's encyclical, Fratelli Tutti and its call "for a love that transcends... geography and distance" and "allows us to acknowledge, appreciate and love each person."

Each week, the campaign explores a different aspect of Development and Peace's work and offers you ways to become involved. This week, meet one of our partners from the Global South and create your own fundraising web page!

Discover more activities and join Catholics across Canada on a journey of love and solidarity throughout the Lenten period. Follow our solidarity calendar at <u>www.devp.org/lent</u>.

2021 ENVELOPE PACKETS:

Please remember to pick up your envelope packets from the back of the church if you haven't already done so, so that we can avoid having to mail them out.

Tax receipts for fiscal year 2020 are being prepared and will be ready in the coming weeks.

FATHER SCOTT LEWIS, S.J., RENOWNED JESUIT

SCRIPTURE SCHOLAR, will present a series on New Interpretations of the Holy Week Stories, in light of recent theological trends and issues. Topics such as How to Read the Bible, difficult passages, violence, and the meaning of the Resurrection will be explored. When: Tuesday nights at 7:00 p.m., February 23rd, March 2nd, and March 9th. To register, see: <u>https://tinyurl.com/3o3mp3k7</u> Another good Lenten exercise!

COME RETREAT WITH LOYOLA HOUSE VIRTUALLY!

Are you looking to break away and spend some time in silence? See our website at **loyolahouse.com** for more information

- Knowing the Heart of Jesus February 26-28 A weekend of guided prayer with Bill Clarke, SJ
- Finding Your Way Retreat February 26-28 A weekend of discernment. Paul Panaretos, SJ & Joe Waters
- Turn, Turn, Turn Weekend March 5-7 with Greg Kennedy, SJ
- Teilhard de Chardin Weekend Retreat March 12-14 with Bernie Carroll, SJ & Andre Auger
- Teilhard de Chardin 5-Day Retreat March 14-19 with Bernie Carroll, SJ & Andre Auger
- Holy Week Retreat March 27-April 3 Walk with Jesus along his journey to the cross and his rising from death and allow Christ to join his journey to yours.
- **Easter Triduum** April 1-3 Visual presentations for engaging the Holy Week rituals.

Register online at <u>loyolahouse.com</u> or contact <u>registration@ignatiusguelph.ca</u> or by calling 519 824 1250 ext 266.

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!