

## MASS SCHEDULE - Sacred Heart

Sat, Feb 14	Vigil of the 6th Sunday in OT SH 5:30 PM	For all Parishioners.
Sun Feb 15	The 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time SH 9:00AM	+Roxy & Arleigh From Cathrine & Gerry Glover.
12:00PM Latin		No Intention
Mon, Feb 16	Mass at St. John the B. 8:00 AM	
Tues, Feb 17	7 Holy Founders of the Servite Order SH 8:00AM	+ Fr Andrew Deptula From Maria Raposo
Wed, Feb 18	<b>ASH WEDNESDAY</b> 8:00 am St. John the Baptist 9:30 am School Mass at St. John's 5:00 pm Mass at Sacred Heart 7:00 pm Latin Mass at Sacred Heart	
Thu., Feb 19	<b>Lenten Weekday</b> SH 8:00AM	+Daniel Medeiros From Maria Raposo.
Fri, Feb 20	<b>Lenten Weekday</b> SH 8:00AM	+Joan Ironside From Ironside Family.
Sat, Feb 21	<b>Vigil of the 1st Sunday of Lent</b> SH 5:30PM	For all Parishioners.
Sun, Feb 22	<b>The 1st Sunday of Lent</b> SH 9:00PM	Int of Dolly Bolger From George and Maria O'Kane
	12:00PM Latin	No Intention

### Weekend of February 8

Mass	Attendance	Contributions
5:30pm Saturday & 9:00am Sunday	35 81	\$ 1403.00
12:00pm Sunday- (Latin ) Feb 1	91	\$ 1036.00
Online donations:		\$ 224.00
Total	207	\$ 2663.00
Special donation: Fuel and Maintenance	\$ 70	
<i>Thank you for your generosity and support!</i>		

## PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Parishioners,  
This weekend we continue with the third part of the Sermon of the Mount. In this part we begin to consider content of His message. The Gloss says: the Apostles may have asked 'Lord what is it that you want us to teach? Is it something different from what God has taught us in the Law and the Prophets?' And Jesus says: 'Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the

prophets. I have come not to abolish but to fulfill" St. Augustine says that "fulfilling the law" should not be understood as adding words or precepts that contradict the Old Law. The Old Law stays, but the New Law focus on the spirit of the law: "You have heard that it was said to your ancestors 'You shall not kill'... But I say to you..." Who spoke to your ancestor? God. And now Jesus says "But I say to you..." The people may have asked: And Who are you? How can you compare with God? The Son of God is indeed the giver of the Old and New Law. He gives the letter and the spirit in which we should live the law: "You have heard that it was said, You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy. But I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you" We naturally love those we get along with. It is easy to love those who love you. But "if you love those who love you, what recompense will you have?" Charity is not based in feelings or emotions. Charity is God's love. Charity is the divine love, by which we love Him, ourselves and our neighbor, not because they are nice to us but because of Him. This is why we can love even those toward whom we feel aversion. We deny our feelings and love someone who causes us aversion even though the aversion may stay in our feelings. This is exactly what happened to Jesus on the Cross. He certainly did not have any good feelings towards us, no natural love toward us who crucified Him. And yet He died out of love for us. Let us ask our Blessed Mother the grace to be able to love not because of feelings but because of His divine love. And doing so, we will be able to live this New Law of love.

Fr. Gaston Giacinti, IVE

### Welcome – Sr. Morning Star

We are delighted to welcome Sr. Morning Star to Peterborough! Joining us from Wyoming, USA, she has just completed her formation and will be serving with the sisters at our parishes. Please take a moment to say hello and welcome her when you see her.

### WEEKLY NEWS

#### Friday Adoration at Sacred Heart

Every Friday there is adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at Sacred Heart in reparation for the offences made to the Sacred Heart of Jesus from 1:30 to 6:30PM and confessions from 5:00 to 6:30PM.

#### Catholic Missionary Children Oratory

All children ages 7 to 10 are invited on Saturdays to join the CMC at St. John the Baptist church at 10 am.

For info text Sr. Immaculada 705 977 6410 or stjohnandsacredheart@gmail.com

**Bible Study - Gospel of Matthew - Feb 19<sup>th</sup>** -Join the DRIVEN TO PRAISE prayer Group as we journey now through the Gospel of St. Matthew 7pm - 8 pm at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church. For more info contact Daniel 647-928-6414.

**The Way of the Cross –** The stations of the Cross will be guided every Friday during Lent, at Sacred Heart at 6:30 PM, and at 12 noon at St John the Baptist church. All parishioners are invited to come and meditate on the Lord's passion through this devotion.

**Shrove Tuesday-** Shrove Tuesday dinner on Feb 17 starting at 4pm until 6p.m, pay at the door. This is an all you can eat for \$10 with a donation for any youth attending. Menu includes Pancakes, Sausage, Beans, Fruit Cocktail and Apple Sauce.

**Pasta Dinner-** The Peterborough District Italian Club will be hosting a Pasta Dinner following Mass on Saturday, February 21. Cost is free for members and \$15 per person or \$30 per family of 4 with children. Please RSVP to Joe Farace at 705-927-0993

### Tax Receipts

The tax receipts are ready for pick up at the entrance of the church.



### Pro-Life Corner

Dear parishioners, Mark your calendars for the March for Life, Ottawa on Thursday, May 14<sup>th</sup>

### DIOCESAN & OTHER NEWS

#### Peterborough Catholic 20's & 30's Group

Winter Social is happening on Saturday, February 21st, and you won't want to miss it. We'll start with a fun skate together at the Quaker Skating Rink followed by a potluck, great conversation, and time to visit. The location will be announced soon, and more details are on the way.

#### Lenten Retreats Villa St. Joseph

February 21, 9-4 "Life Transfigured: A Lenten Retreat Day". February 27 (7:00 pm) to March 1 (1:00 pm) "Lenten Sabbath Weekend Retreat" to register <https://www.villastjoseph.ca/>

#### GOSPEL Matthew 5:17-37 of Sun Feb 15, 2026

Jesus said to his disciples: "Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one

stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven.

"For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. "You have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, 'You shall not murder'; and 'whoever murders shall be liable to judgment.' But I say to you that if you are angry with a brother or sister, you will be liable to judgment; and if you insult a brother or sister, you will be liable to the council; and if you say, 'You fool,' you will be liable to the hell of fire.

So when you are offering your gift at the altar, if you remember that your brother or sister has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother or sister, and then come and offer your gift. Come to terms quickly with your accuser while you are on the way to court with him, or your accuser may hand you over to the judge, and the judge to the guard, and you will be thrown into prison. Truly I tell you, you will never get out until you have paid the last penny.

"You have heard that it was said, 'You shall not commit adultery.' But I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lust has already committed adultery with her in his heart. If your right eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away; it is better for you to lose one of your members than for your whole body to be thrown into hell. And if your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away; it is better for you to lose one of your members than for your whole body to go into hell.

"It was also said, 'Whoever divorces his wife, let him give her a certificate of divorce.' But I say to you that anyone who divorces his wife, except on the ground of unchastity, causes her to commit adultery; and whoever marries a divorced woman commits adultery. "Again, you have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, 'You shall not swear falsely, but carry out the vows you have made to the Lord.' But I say to you, Do not swear at all, either by heaven, for it is the throne of God, or by the earth, for it is his footstool, or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the great King. And do not swear by your head, for you cannot make one hair white or black. Let your word be 'Yes, Yes' or 'No, No'; anything more than this comes from the evil one.