

## Fourth Sunday in Lent March 23, 2020

1 Samuel 16, 1b, 6-7, 10-13; Ephesians 5, 8-14; John 9, 1-41

### Daily Readings for March 23-29, 2020:

**Monday:** Isaiah 65, 17-21; John 4, 43-54

**Tuesday:** Ezekiel 47, 1-9, 12; John 5, 1-16

**Wednesday:** Isaiah 7, 10-14, 8, 10d; Hebrews 10, 4-10; Luke 1, 26-38

**Thursday:** Exodus 32, 7-14; John 5, 18, 31-47

**Friday:** Wisdom 2, 1a, 12-22; John 7, 1-2, 10, 25-30

**Saturday:** Jeremiah 11, 18-20; John 7, 40-53

**Sunday:** Ezekiel 37, 12-14; Romans 8, 8-11; John 11, 1-45

**Welcome to St. Patrick's Parish:** In an abundance of caution and to ensure that we care for our most vulnerable, Sunday Masses are cancelled until further notice. This cancellation is an unfortunate necessity but must not diminish our Christian celebration of the season of Lent. Please continue your Lenten observances of Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving and join with our community online to celebrate. **Bishop Jon Hansen will say Mass on the Diocesan Facebook page on Sunday at 11am.** Pray the rosary with your family beforehand and join us online at 11 for Mass and Spiritual Communion

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### Some Thoughts for today:

Jesus has offered us a new vision of life, death and resurrection as well.

We prepare for our celebrating the life, death and resurrection of Jesus in the Eucharist, by celebrating how through Jesus we have come to see ourselves, others, all creation as wonderful gifts.

We have been called and chosen, not because of distinctions, achievements, family lineage, or personal attractiveness. God's love is blind to such plastic categories.

We pray to receive more of the vision, the sight, the sensitivities which Jesus comes and came to share. The problem is that we are so familiar with how we have looked at ourselves, others, creation, God, and life itself. We pray to be "un-blinded" and patient in our recovery process.

Larry Gillick, SJ

[https://liturgy.slu.edu/4LentA032220/reflections\\_gillick.html](https://liturgy.slu.edu/4LentA032220/reflections_gillick.html)

### Church Improvement Projects:



#### Roof: Insulation Upgrade and Replacement

#### **\$200,000 Goal**

Fundraising initiatives are ongoing and we need everyone to help to meet our goal.

**\$45,700**

Offertory collection for March 15-----	\$ 2,117.00
Vinnies_____	\$ 2,295.00
Misc. _____	\$ 200.00
<b>Total Income</b> _____	<b>\$ 4,612.00</b>
Cost to operate our Parish per week-----	\$ 6,800.00
Surplus/(Shortfall) for the week-----	\$ (2,188.00)
Parish Improvement Fund_____	\$ 50.00

*thank you*

### The Seringueiros: Protectors in Peril



On reserves created by the Brazilian state, the Seringueiros tap rubber trees and gather nuts and fruits for subsistence. But their lands are now coveted by powerful loggers, hunters, ranchers, soybean farmers, etc. They are facing increasing threats, intimidation and persecution. Despite these hardships, the Seringueiros prefer remaining in place to tend their beloved forest. Development and Peace's partner, the Pastoral Land Commission (CPT), supports the Seringueiros by documenting violations of their rights and by helping them legally contest the seizure of their lands. "Those who want to help us should immediately come to see what is happening here so that we may keep the forest standing." – Ederson Chaves Dias, seringueiro, Angelim Reserve, Machadinho d'Oeste

Watch the seringueiros' testimony at: <https://www.devp.org/en/campaign/our-common-home/communities/seringueiros>

### Diocesan Prayer during the Pandemic

We approach you God,  
ever confident in Your compassionate mercy and protection.

At this time,  
we find ourselves walking in unknown lands  
yet we trust that You continue to guide our paths.

Our needs are many.

In Your goodness, turn Your ear to us  
and hear our pleas.

Give strength to those caring for our sick.

Give wisdom to those searching for a cure.

Give courage to those labouring to meet our needs.

Grant healing to the sick.

Grant loving consolation to the frightened and weary.

During this time of fasting from the sacraments,  
help us to find Your presence in other ways.

As we carry this cross,

and wait patiently at the tomb,  
keep us mindful of the resurrection.

May Your Son, the Great Physician  
and the Holy Spirit, the Giver of Peace,  
come quickly to our aid. Amen

### *Rachel's Corner*

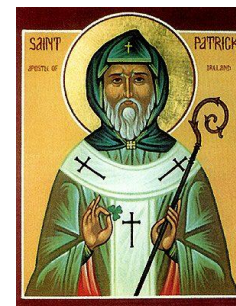
*"As a man, I was all dry inside, I knew what I had done but I didn't feel much of anything as I didn't truly understand what I had done to my child as well as to my family. Now I am filled with love for my daughter. I feel like I have been renewed inside, strengthened and empowered by God, through God and for God. The man He always wanted me to be." -Testimonial*

Come on a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat. They want to help you be free of the burden you are carrying inside. Why not give it a chance?

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## St. Patrick Co-Cathedral

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**Parish Office Hours:** Tuesday-Thursday 9:00 am – 3:30 pm

[www.stpatrickchurchyk.com](http://www.stpatrickchurchyk.com) Email: [stpatrickchurchyk@gmail.com](mailto:stpatrickchurchyk@gmail.com)

**MARCH 23, 2020**

**Weekend Masses:** Saturday No Mass  
Sunday No Mass.\*

**Daily Mass:**

Tuesday - Friday 5:30 pm

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:** Wednesdays 11:00 - 5:00 pm Please use the side door.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Priest available ½ hour before each Mass or by appointment

\*Church will be open for individual prayer on Sunday from 8:30 to 12:30

### **Pastoral Team**

**Pastor**

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**Bookkeeper**

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### **Parish Directory:**

**Parish Hall Bookings** – Mary Anne/Lloyd.....446-8703 or [stpatrickyparishhall@gmail.com](mailto:stpatrickyparishhall@gmail.com)

**Vinnies Thrift Store** - Betty Curtis.....920-4961 Tues-Sat 10:00 am – 5:00 pm

**RCIA** - Lori Tutt..... [stpatsykrca@gmail.com](mailto:stpatsykrca@gmail.com)

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**Parish Pastoral Council** – Roberta Giroux (Chair)..... [robertamay66@yahoo.ca](mailto:robertamay66@yahoo.ca)

### **Sacrament of Marriage**

Contact the Parish Priest to set up an initial interview for Marriage at least one year in advance and prior to setting a wedding date. Marriage preparation is required. Marriage Preparation Course will be April 24,25 and May 2, 2020 Next event will be October 23,24 and 31, 2020

**Sacrament of Baptism** Contact the parish office to pick up a Baptism Preparation Package (also on the bulletin board in the church). The next preparation session is April 14, 2020 at 7:00 pm at the church.

**Sacraments of 1st Eucharist/Reconciliation**- Classes for First Eucharist preparation will begin on Sunday January 19 at 2:00 PM.

**CWL Prayer Line:** Prayer requests can be emailed to Barb McDonald at [barbmcd@theedge.ca](mailto:barbmcd@theedge.ca). The rosary is prayed every Monday evening for these requests.