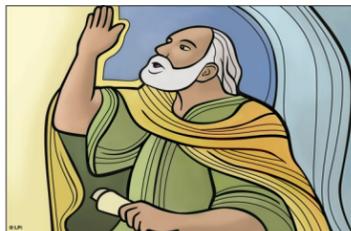
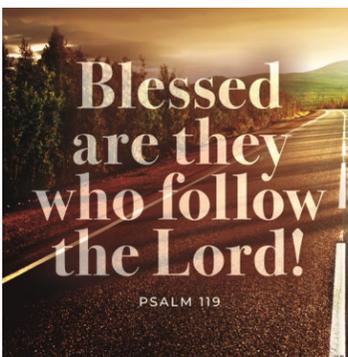


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**Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

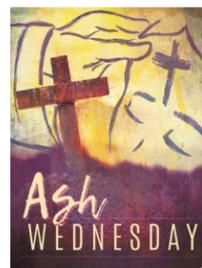
People are not property. We cannot exchange them at will or simply use them for our own designs and purposes. What does the word "commitment" mean to you? We can begin to understand its meaning by looking at some synonyms: dedication, devotion, allegiance, loyalty, faithfulness, fidelity, and bond. Commitment is primarily about relationship, and Jesus is all about relationships. How our lives affect others, how we treat our brothers and sisters, how we resolve conflict, and how we view the vows of marriage. Jesus' teachings on obeying the commandments, murder, reconciliation, marriage, divorce, and adultery all stem from the sacredness of commitment. All of this has a God connection.



We can easily see one another as interchangeable and dispensable. We treat so much of our lives this way. What works today may not be what I want tomorrow. We search and search for the right thing only to find our hearts still restless in

the end. Is real happiness achievable this side of the grave? Sometimes we expect too much out of others and want our relationships to fill a hole that we must figure out how to fill ourselves. Any seasoned married couple will tell you that their love for one another changes as time passes. Even though the understanding of romance changes as life changes, the dedication, devotion, allegiance, loyalty, faithfulness, and fidelity all remain and even deepen.

Some relationships can be hurtful, and God does not want us to live with abuse or pain. Also, how a relationship develops is sometimes out of our control, and we become the victim of someone else's decision. But we can't be self-focused in our relationships and see them exclusively as self-fulfilling ends. We are companions on life's journey with varying depths of relationships being enjoyed by all who are with us along the way. We have the freedom to choose. God asks us to do so wisely, with right judgment and thinking.



**Countdown to Lent.....Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 26th.** Prayer, penance, fasting and almsgiving are the main Lenten works. "Even now, says the Lord, return to me with your whole heart, with fasting and weeping and mourning. Joel 2:12. During this season of Lent, let us reveal our hearts, whole and entire, to God's loving eye.

**Cathedral Appeal Update**



As of January 31, 2020 our Cathedral appeal has raised \$868,595.44 in cash donations and \$72,092.32 in outstanding pledges. This brings our total raised to **\$940,687.76** or 78% of our \$1,200,000 goal. THANK YOU FOR THE GENEROSITY OF SO MANY! Already made your donation? Thank you for playing your part in the restoration of the mother church of our diocese. Still thinking about making a donation? Visit us

on the web at [www.saintcd.com/appeal](http://www.saintcd.com/appeal) or pick up a brochure and pledge form in your church today to play your part. May God bless you!

**Sunday, February 16th, 2020**

**6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

"Again you have heard that it was said to your ancestors, Do not take a false oath, but make good to the Lord all that you vow."  
 - Mt 5:33

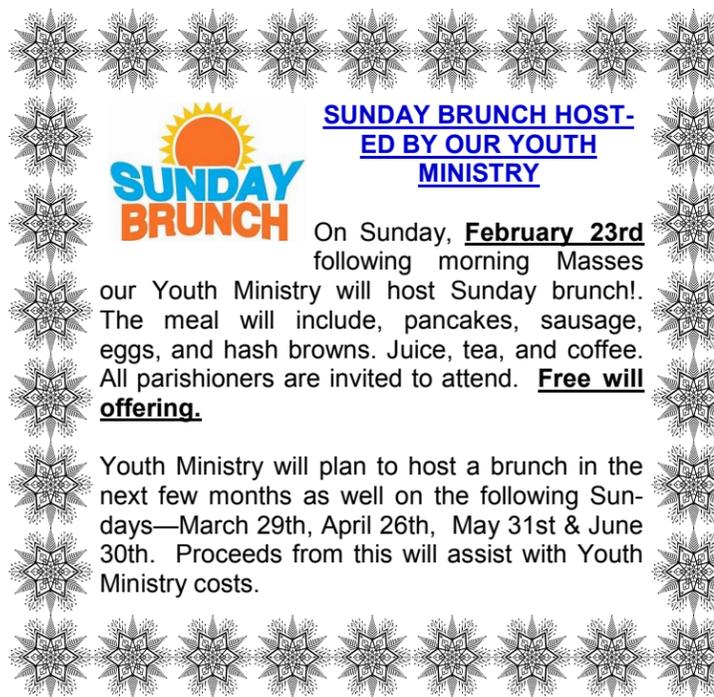
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Sat. Feb 15	9-10am	<b>Confessions</b>
	4-4:45pm	<b>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament &amp; Confessions</b>
	5:00pm	✠ Nicola Colangelo (Rosa Colangelo & Family)
Sun. Feb 16	9:30am	Missa Pro Populo
	11:00am	✠ Mary Whalen (Teresa Walters)
		✠ Jim Lukacs (Anne Lukacs)
Mon. Feb 17	9:30am	Reparation for all the offences Committed against the Immaculate Heart of Mary (Teresa Walters)
	7-8pm	<b>Holy Hour &amp; Confessions</b>
Tues. Feb 18	9:30am	✠ Isaiah (Magazzeni Family)
		✠ Phil & Marie Schertzing (Horton Family)
Wed. Feb 19	9:30am	Intentions of Stephen & Kimberly Walters (Teresa Walters)
Thurs. Feb 20	9:30am	Birthday Blessings for Sandra Lastovic (Rosemary & Steve Lastovic)
Fri. Feb 21	9:30am	Intentions of Lily & Ivan Venus (Teresa Walters)
		Special Intention
Sat. Feb 22	4-4:45pm	<b>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament &amp; Confessions</b>
	5:00pm	✠ In Memory of Dean Yakielashek (Myszczyzyn Family)
Sun. Feb 23	9:30am	Missa Pro Populo
	11:00am	✠ Ray Kardas (Stan & Kryisia Fit)

**Confessions from 9-9:20am before all weekday Masses.**

**Offertory February 8th & 9th, 2020**

68 Envelopes	\$1,996.00
Loose Collection	\$ 82.00
Total Offertory	\$2,078.00
Maintenance	\$ 60.00



**SUNDAY BRUNCH HOSTED BY OUR YOUTH MINISTRY**

On Sunday, **February 23rd** following morning Masses our Youth Ministry will host Sunday brunch! The meal will include, pancakes, sausage, eggs, and hash browns. Juice, tea, and coffee. All parishioners are invited to attend. **Free will offering.**

Youth Ministry will plan to host a brunch in the next few months as well on the following Sundays—March 29th, April 26th, May 31st & June 30th. Proceeds from this will assist with Youth Ministry costs.

**EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS- Don't Live a Lie**

One day, my son was explaining to his mother that he felt she had lied to him. It was nothing very important, but he wanted to take this opportunity to share how important telling the truth is to him. He explained that he simply tells it like it is in all aspects of his life. But an hour later, we caught him in a lie! Again, it was



not about a matter of life and death, but it was a lie. When confronted with his own previous words on how important telling the truth was to him, he just smiled. Yes, the guilty often have no words of defense.

Jesus said it best in Matthew 5: "Let your 'yes' mean 'yes' and your 'no' mean 'no.'" He was warning his disciples about false oaths and then instructing them on the fullness of the Hebrew laws. We may try to do what we say and say what we mean, but it can be all too easy to fall short. We call ourselves disciples yet provide evidence to the contrary by our actions (or lack of them).

Even if we feel that we have lied to no one, we may have lied to ourselves. We portray ourselves as generous, thankful, and loving people, yet fail to answer God's call in a situation because we perceive the cost to be too great. Jesus did not simply mean for his message to be about two words. He also meant that when you say you are a disciple, make sure you are a disciple as well.

**St. Andrew the Apostle Church welcomes you to join for a 6-part Bible Class on Holy Eucharist.** Learn from Dr. Scott Hahn the meaning of covenant, sacrifice, and sacrament as understood in the Bible from Genesis through Revelation. Watch the 'Eucharist in Scripture' on Lenten Thursdays from February 27th at 6:30 PM. St. Andrew the Apostle RCC located on 4 St. Andrews Avenue Welland Ontario. If you have any questions please call 905-732-5046.

**Parish Calendar**

**February 2020.....**

Feb 17th....	Family Day
Feb 19th....	<b>Youth Ministry Cancelled</b>
Feb 23rd....	Youth Ministry will host breakfast/brunch following all morning Masses. More to follow.
Feb 24th....	CWL meeting after Morning Mass
Feb 26th....	Ash Wednesday. Masses 9:30am & 7pm.

**Bingo every Thursday evening 7-9pm in the parish hall.**  
**Youth Ministry every Wednesday evenings 6:30-8:30pm.**  
<http://stannfenwick.wixsite.com/youthministry> or email the parish.

**Catholic Women's League News**



Our **Spring Conference** is set for **Saturday, March 14, 2020 from 1 pm - 4 pm** and will be held at St. Therese of Lisieux in Port Colborne. There will be two guest speakers. Lisa Coxon from Northland Point will be speaking about Seniors and programmes specifically designed for them & Sylvia Verde will be speaking about Pope Francis. Our theme is "Loneliness" and both these ladies will be addressing this topic. This is a very serious concern in today's modern world and we need to all do our part to help alleviate loneliness in society.

**If you do not have email, copies of these and more CWL events/news can be found on the bulletin board near the hall stairs. Help yourself to a copy.**

**Email Addresses: If there has been a change in your email, please let Donna or the office know so that you will be sure to receive all CWL news and info.**

**With the consent of the Polish Episcopate** and the President of the John Paul II Foundation, Cardinal Stanislaw Rylko, a Triptych with the icon of Our Lady of Jasna Góra (Black Madonna), St. John the Paul II and St. Faustina, has been travelling throughout three continents: North America, Europe and Asia. It is now in Canada. Accompanying the Triptych are to be the relics of St. John the Paul II and St. Sister Faustina. This is being organized to mark the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the birth of St. John Paul II, which is on May 18, 2020. Our Lady of Perpetual Help in St. Catharines will be hosting the relics from February 15 – 20, 2020.

**Fenwick's St. Ann Catholic Elementary School Parent Council Presents: Trivia Night and Silent Auction Fundraiser, Friday APR 24th RECEPTION 6:30PM Trivia begins 7:00PM** Fire Station #2, 766 Welland Rd. **\$20/ticket** (which includes pizza AND munchies) create your winning **TEAM 8 players/table**. Individual tickets may be purchased, although we are encouraging tables of 8 and booking tickets in advance. Payments may be made day of, at the door. **To reserve tickets use School Cash on Line or email [stantrivia@gmail.com](mailto:stantrivia@gmail.com)**

**Diocesan SEPARATED AND DIVORCED HEALING MINISTRY** support group monthly meetings. Next meeting, February 24, 2020. **Healing Journey, Fr. Hugh Gibson Presenter.** Mount Carmel Spiritual Centre, Niagara Falls. For info call 905-356-4113 or 905-684-0154, or email [separatedanddivorced@saintcd.com](mailto:separatedanddivorced@saintcd.com). No pre-registration required.

**Lift Jesus Higher Rally:** Saturday, March 7th, 2020. Metro Toronto Convention Centre. Our Youth Group will be attending. Cost is \$25. If you would like to join them, contact Genevieve at 289-219-4233 for more info and to register.



