

MASS INTENTIONS

I AM OFFERING MY MASSES FOR
ALL YOUR INTENTIONS, FOR
YOUR LOVED ONES,
FOR ALL MEDICAL WORKERS,
VOLUNTEERS AND FRONTLINERS
FOR ALL THE SICK
AND FOR ALL SOULS IN
PURGATORY

PARISH PRAYER LIST

(please call the office - 250-494-3110)

LORD HEAR OUR PRAYER FOR OUR
SICK SISTERS & BROTHERS... and all
who are suffering in any way in our
community and in our families,
especially: George Szucs, John
Morrissey, Debra Webb, Christine
Delaurier, Vivian Dolezsar, Philomena
Keogan, Eugene Chorneyko, Rosa
Santos, Kathryn Simpson, Elmo
Sheppard, Toran Younge, Anne Arthur,
Jim Graf, Nick Deuling, Olivia
Whitfield-Carson, Sandy Jaser,
Malinowski Family, Carrie Malinowski,
Jennifer Knoll, Reid & Anne Watson,
Paul Pasqualetto, Kian Hooshmand-
Hall, Ann Grison, Dawna Werbeski,
Marie Horn, Pat Thomas, Sheila
Dafluyen, Betty Jolie, Chrissy Kozier,
Richard Roess, Cecilia Roess, Jack
Rowland, Jo-Ann Rowland, Margo
Preston, Jody Richter, Geraldine
Koropchuk, Bill Appel, Cindy Garner,
Jack Appel, Dina Tremblay, Carey
Roess, Henry Bernard, Nicole LaVallee.

Healing Prayer

*Heavenly Father, we pray that You will lay
your healing Hands upon all those who are
sick. We beg You to have compassion on all
those who are suffering so that they may be
delivered from their pitiful circumstances.
In Jesus, we pray.
Amen.*

MARCH 22, 2020 **FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT**



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Fridays after Mass (9:30am)

Saturdays-5:30-6pm.

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SUNDAY COLLECTION

March 15, 2020 – \$ 752.50

**THANK YOU! GOD BLESS YOUR GENEROUS
HEARTS! God loves a cheerful giver!**

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MASS SCHEDULE

(No Mon. Mass unless specified)

TUESDAY	7PM
WEDNESDAY*- FRIDAY	9AM
SATURDAY	6PM
SUNDAY	10AM
Sacred Heart Mission Mass	1PM (at Penticton Reserve)
*2 nd Wed. of the month- Mass is at Sr's Village- 9:25AM.	

HOLY CHILD PARISH CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE



ATTENTION GARDENERS!
**THE CWL PLANT SALE WILL BE
HELD ON MAY 9, 2020, SAT.
PLANT YOUR SEEDLINGS NOW!!**

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT, YEAR A



FIRST READING:

1 Samuel 16:1-13

16:1 The LORD said to Samuel, "How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons."

16:2 Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me." And the LORD said, "Take a heifer with you, and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the LORD.'"

16:3 Invite Jesse to the sacrifice,

and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you."

16:4 Samuel did what the LORD commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, "Do you come peaceably?"

16:5 He said, "Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the LORD; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice." And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

16:6 When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, "Surely the Lord's anointed is now before the LORD."

16:7 But the LORD said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the LORD does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on

the heart."

16:8 Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, "Neither has the LORD chosen this one."

16:9 Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, "Neither has the LORD chosen this one."

16:10 Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, "The LORD has not chosen any of these."

16:11 Samuel said to Jesse, "Are all your sons here?" And he said, "There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep." And Samuel said to Jesse, "Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here."

16:12 He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The LORD said, "Rise and anoint him; for this is the one."

16:13 Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the LORD came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

Psalm 23

23:1 The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not want.

23:2 He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters;

23:3 he restores my soul. He leads me in right paths for his name's sake.

23:4 Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff-- they comfort me.

23:5 You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup

overflows.

23:6 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD my whole life long.

SECOND READING:

Ephesians 5:8-14

5:8 For once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Live as children of light-

5:9 for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true.

5:10 Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord.

5:11 Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them.

5:12 For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly;

5:13 but everything exposed by the light becomes visible,

5:14 for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore, it says, "Sleeper, awake! Rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you."

GOSPEL: John 9:1-41

9:1 As he walked along, he saw a man blind from birth.

9:2 His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?"

9:3 Jesus answered, "Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God's works might be revealed in him.

9:4 We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming when no one can work.

9:5 As long as I am in the world, I

am the light of the world."

9:6 When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man's eyes,

9:7 saying to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see.

9:8 The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar began to ask, "Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?"

9:9 Some were saying, "It is he." Others were saying, "No, but it is someone like him." He kept saying, "I am the man."

9:10 But they kept asking him, "Then how were your eyes opened?"

9:11 He answered, "The man called Jesus made mud, spread it on my eyes, and said to me, 'Go to Siloam

and wash.' Then I went and washed and received my sight."

9:12 They said to him, "Where is he?" He said, "I do not know."

9:13 They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind.

9:14 Now it was a sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes.

9:15 Then the Pharisees also began to ask him how he had received his sight. He said to them, "He put mud on my eyes. Then I washed, and now I see."

9:16 Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for he does not observe the sabbath." But others said, "How can a man who is a sinner perform such signs?" And they were divided.

9:17 So they said again to the blind man, "What do you say about him?"

It was your eyes he opened." He said, "He is a prophet."

9:18 The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight

9:19 and asked them, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?"

9:20 His parents answered, "We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind;

9:21 but we do not know how it is that now he sees, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age. He will speak for himself."

9:22 His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jews; for the Jews had already agreed that anyone who confessed Jesus to be the Messiah would be put out of the synagogue.

9:23 Therefore his parents said, "He is of age; ask him."

9:24 So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and they said to him, "Give glory to God! We know that this man is a sinner."

9:25 He answered, "I do not know whether he is a sinner. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see."

9:26 They said to him, "What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?"

9:27 He answered them, "I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become his disciples?"

9:28 Then they reviled him, saying, "You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses.

9:29 We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from."

9:30 The man answered, "Here is an astonishing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes.

9:31 We know that God does not listen to sinners, but he does listen to one who worships him and obeys his will.

9:32 Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a person born blind.

9:33 If this man were not from God, he could do nothing."

9:34 They answered him, "You were born entirely in sins, and are you trying to teach us?" And they drove him out.

9:35 Jesus heard that they had

driven him out, and when he found him, he said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?"

9:36 He answered, "And who is he, sir? Tell me, so that I may believe in him."

9:37 Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, and the one speaking with you is he."

9:38 He said, "Lord, I believe." And he worshiped him.

9:39 Jesus said, "I came into this world for judgment so that those who do not see may see, and those who do see may become blind."

9:40 Some of the Pharisees near him heard this and said to him, "Surely we are not blind, are we?"

9:41 Jesus said to them, "If you were blind, you would not have sin. But now that you say, 'We see,' your sin remains.

MY REFLECTION:

Good day, everyone. I hope and pray you are well and good in these trying times. It has been hard on us not to celebrate the Eucharist this Sunday, nonetheless, there are still ways provided for us to attend the Holy Mass and take spiritual communion.

Today is the fourth Sunday of Lent, we call Laetare Sunday. Laetare means "rejoice." Is there any reason for us to be joyful in this darkest moment of our life?

The gospel tells us about Jesus as the light. **What does light do? It dispels darkness; it makes us recognise possibilities.** Very timely indeed, as we are coping with the darkness of Coronavirus, Jesus offers us hope once again to strengthen us amidst this difficult time.

In today's Gospel on the miracle of restoring the sight of the blind and healing him, Jesus reminds us that He is the light of the world. He will heal the world. He will lighten our burdens, and that, there is always hope. Don't give up. Don't be discouraged. Our hope is God. And God in His mercy will respond to our needs. With Him by our side, we will surpass this pandemic. Just hold on to God. Let us place our trust in God.

Let us also be God's light to one another. Let us always believe that there will be healing. All these sufferings and sickness will come to pass. There is always a cure and remedy will be available. God will restore us to our health. He will renew our spirit and refresh us. God heals us in body and spirit.

With the theme "Hope and Rejoicing," church hymns traditionally speak of joy, hope, and consolation. Lent is half over

and Easter is near. The shift to a joyous mood is meant to encourage the faithful to persevere fervently to the end of this holy season as well as to focus on the hope and rejoicing that the Resurrection of Christ is near.

God bless everyone. STAY SAFE. MY PRAYERS.

WORTH READING!

LORD HEAL US!

You made the whole world stop spinning for awhile,
You silenced the noise that we all have created

You made us bend our knees again and ask for a miracle.
You closed Your churches so we will realize how dark our world without You in it.

You humble the proud and powerful.

The economy is crashing, businesses are closing.

We were very proud, we thought that everything we have, everything we possess was the result of our hard work.

We have forgotten that it was always Your grace and mercy that made us who we are.

We're like running in circles looking for some cure to this disease but in fact it takes humility to ask for Your wisdom.

We've been living our lives like we will be here on earth

forever,
like there's no heaven.
Maybe these trials are Your mercy in disguise.
Maybe this virus is actually Your way of purifying us, cleansing our soul, bringing us back to YOU.

.. In the past you serenaded us with Hosea's song:

"Come back to me with all your heart

Don't let fear keep us apart
Trees do bend though straight and tall

So must we to others' call
Long have I waited for
Your coming home to me
And living deeply our new lives"

You have been patiently waiting for us. We're so sorry for ignoring Your voice. For our selfish ways. We all deserve this. We have forgotten You dear Father.

.. We've forgotten that You're God, you only need to say the word and our souls shall be healed.

🙏🙏🙏 Prayer for all 🙏🙏🙏

