

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER ~ APRIL 14, 2024

St. Alfred Parish is a community of faith that works to embrace the person and vision of Jesus Christ; builds communion with God and others and engages in Christ's mission in our world.

Prayers for the Sick:

Please keep the following members in our parish in your prayers who are sick or unwell: Marian Kelly, Richard D'Souza, Jane Cocco, Mel Cervantes, Michaela Gebhart, Anna Chorozy, Josephine Smith, Lisa Wong, Ron Harris, Bryan Peplinskie, Nicole Dirickx, Terry Small, Paige Johnston, Patti Matheson, Frances Van Esch, Richard, Cherish Reece, Marina Subic, Sheri Forrest, Carolyn Tytler, Ernie Rouselle, Marie Harris, Teri Carmichael, Joe McGean, Vince Evangelista, Diana Ball, Romulo Mercado, Cynthia Rodney, Aaron Brooks, Basil Bruce, Roxanne, Alfred Hall, David Dewar, Hubert Pereira, and Loretta Pereira, Egidio Passero, Marcia Panter, Don Langlois, Giles Cote, Madeline Hayes, Anna Carboni,

GRIEF SUPPORT SMALL GROUPS

A four-week Grief Support Program will be offered at St. Alfred's, beginning Tuesday, May 7th through to Tuesday, May 28th, at 6:30 pm. in St. Luke's room. These Small Groups will help people to understand grief and its effects as well as giving opportunity to share in a safe space, with others facing similar challenges. For further information, and to register, please call Parish Office at 905-934-9703

St. Alfred Pasta Dinners

Wednesday April 24th
4:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m.
\$15 includes:

Pasta and 3 meatballs (choice of white or red sauce), salad, bun, dessert, unlimited coffee, tea, lemonade or ice tea or 1 can of pop.

Join us for this awesome parish event!

**Don't be a follower, be a disciple.
Mark your calendar for our
Day of Reflection
October 5th, 2024**

Volunteers Needed

We are looking for volunteers to help with Children's Liturgy. If you are interested please call the parish office 905-934-9703 or email Diana at d.conidi@hotmail.com.

Serra Club Trivia Night

May 30th doors open at 5:00 p.m.

St. Alfred Church

\$25 per person

~In support of Seminarians, Deacon Candidates, and Religious Sisters in the Diocese of St. Catharines

~Pizza provided for all registered. Everyone is welcome to bring their own food and snacks. Beer, Wine, and Soft Drinks available for purchase

~Please contact Kate at 905-407-3994 or register online at serrastc.ca/trivia2024/

PRAYER

Loving God, we thank you for bringing us the rivers and streams of this world.

May the rivers we know be an image of the stream that you want to flow within each one of us.

Teach us now, take away all fear, dare to let us believe that we could really be a small part of a reconstructed society that we could build again.

Take away our own cynicism. Take away our lack of hope. Take away our own anger and judgments.

We thank you for the faith and the desire that is in our hearts.

You have planted it there.

Now help us to preserve it, protect it and increase it.

We long for vision, good God.

We need vision and we know we will perish without it.

Help us open each new day to a new meaning, to a new hope, to a deeper desiring.

Show us your face, loving God, and we will be satisfied.

We ask for this in all the holy names of God.

Amen.

Daily Mass Intentions

Mon	Apr 15	8:00 a.m.	Langelaan Family/Sneek Family
Tues	Apr 16	8:00 a.m. John the Baptist Hien Pham/ Gabriel Obazee
Wed	Apr 17	9:00 a.m.Doreen Innamorati/ John the Baptist Hien Pham
Thu	Apr 18	8:00 a.m. Cheryl Laughlin-DeSantis/ Irene Kaminski
Fri	Apr 19	8:00 a.m. John the Baptist Hien Pham/ Giuseppe Burgio
Sat	Apr 20	8:30 a.m.Alick Bonnici/ Ubaldo Tesolin
		5:00 p.m.Carmin Cataldo/ John Glumac
Sun	Apr 21	7:30 a.m.Missa Pro Populo
		9:30 a.m.	Mr. &Mrs. Giuseppina DiPietro/ Angela DiPietro
		11:30 a.m.	..Arminda Baia/ Nate Pischedda

Pope Francis has asked that 2024 be marked as a **Year of Prayer**. The Holy Father announced its launch on **Sunday 21 January 2024**, on the fifth annual celebration of the 'Sunday of the Word of God'. The Pope wrote: "From now on I am happy to think that the year preceding the Jubilee event, 2024, will be dedicated to a **great 'symphony' of prayer**. First of all, to recover the desire to be in the presence of the Lord, to listen to him and adore him." In preparation for the Jubilee, therefore, we are invited to individual and community prayer during this year.

JUBILEE PRAYER

Father in heaven,
may the *faith* you have given us
in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother,
and the flame of *charity* enkindled
in our hearts by the Holy Spirit,
reawaken in us the blessed *hope*
for the coming of your Kingdom.
May your grace transform us
into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel.
May those seeds transform from within both humanity
and the whole cosmos
in the sure expectation
of a new heaven and a new earth,
when, with the powers of Evil vanquished,
your glory will shine eternally.
May the grace of the Jubilee
reawaken in us, *Pilgrims of Hope*,
a yearning for the treasures of heaven.
May that same grace spread
the joy and peace of our Redeemer
throughout the earth.
To you our God, eternally blessed,
be glory and praise for ever.
Amen

~Pope Francis



III DOMENICA DI PASQUA

14 APRILE 2024

La Parrocchia St. Alfred è una comunità di fede che lavora per abbracciare la persona e la visione di Gesù Cristo; costruisce la comunione con Dio e con gli altri e si impegna nella missione di Cristo nel nostro mondo.

Il Santo Padre ne ha annunciato l'avvio **domenica 21 gennaio 2024**, in occasione della V Domenica della Parola di Dio. Il Papa aveva scritto: «Fin da ora mi rallegra pensare che si potrà dedicare l'anno precedente l'evento giubilare, il 2024, a una grande "sinfonia" di preghiera. Anzitutto per recuperare il desiderio di stare alla presenza del Signore, ascoltarlo e adorarlo». In preparazione al Giubileo, dunque, le Diocesi sono invitate a promuovere la centralità della preghiera individuale e comunitaria.

Preghiera del Giubileo

Padre che sei nei cieli,
la fede che ci hai donato nel
tuo figlio Gesù Cristo, nostro fratello,
e la fiamma di carità
effusa nei nostri cuori dallo Spirito Santo,
ridestino in noi, la beata speranza
per l'avvento del tuo Regno.
La tua grazia ci trasformi
in coltivatori operosi dei semi evangelici
che lievitano l'umanità e il cosmo,
nell'attesa fiduciosa
dei cieli nuovi e della terra nuova,
quando vinte le potenze del Male,
si manifesterà per sempre la tua gloria.
La grazia del Giubileo
ravvivi in noi Pellegrini di Speranza,
l'anelito verso i beni celesti
e riversi sul mondo intero
la gioia e la pace
del nostro Redentore.
A te Dio benedetto in eterno
sia lode e gloria nei secoli.
Amen

~ Pope Francis