
January 28, 2024 ~ 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Symbolon Video Series

Join us during the season of Lent for our Symbolon video series beginning Monday February 26th- join us every Monday night in the St. Mark room from 6:30-8:00 p.m.

The topics include: The Sacraments (Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist), a Walk through the Mass, Penance and Anointing of the Sick, Matrimony and Holy Orders, A love that lasts, and Catholic Social Teaching.

Religious Goods Store

Please know that, when you purchase from our store, you are helping to support our dual mission of evangelization and the Catholic Women's League donate to local charities that help! Especially charities that help women and children in need! Thank You

NIAGARA FOUNDATION FOR CATHOLIC EDUCATION ANNUAL BENEFIT GALA

WITH HONOURARY GUEST
BISHOP GERARD BERGIE

Supporting Niagara Catholic District School Board students in need and scholarships

Thursday, March 21, 2024, Club Roma Event Centre, 6:00 pm. Tickets \$100/person

Online payment can be made at www.niagaracatholic.ca or by cheque payable to the Niagara Foundation for Catholic Education
Mailing address: 427 Rice Road, Welland, ON L3C 7C1 -- Attention Anna Pisano

Please make payment by March 13, 2024 (\$30 tax receipt upon request)

Individual tickets available or tables of eight or ten.

For further information (905) 735-0240, ext. 214 or email linda.marconi@ncdsb.com

FEAST OF ST. BLAISE

Sickness and suffering are mysteries that confront most Christians at some time in their lives. Believers cherish the stories of Jesus' tender concern for the poor and sick who sought to find relief and meaning in their struggles. The flesh-and-blood example of a long line of Christian witnesses whose faith sustained them in time of trial offers us hope when shadows darken our lives. Saint Blaise was such a person. Blaise served as bishop of Armenia in the fourth century. Little is known about his life, but tradition tells us that he saved a small boy from choking on a fish bone. Because of this, his help is sought for those who are sick, especially those who are afflicted with illnesses of the throat. On February 3, the feast of Saint Blaise, the church continues its ministry to the sick with the blessing of throats as he prays, "Through the intercession of Saint Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from every disease of the throat and from every other illness: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." Humbled by physical weakness and human limitations, we acknowledge our faith in God's protective love for all who call upon God's name. The blessing of the throats at St. Alfred will take place on Saturday February 3 at the 8:30 a.m. Mass.

ST. ALFRED PASTA DINNER

Wednesday, January 31st

4:30 to 7:00 pm in the St. Mark's room.

\$15 which includes red or white pasta, meatballs, salad, bread, a drink and dessert!

Plus children 12 and under \$8

DAILY MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, JANUARY 29 ~ SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4

Mon	Jan 29	8:00 a.m.....	Maria Ferretti/ Luigi Ferretti
Tues	Jan 30	8:00 a.m.....	Mr. &Mrs. Derrick Perera/ Cathy Smith
Wed	Jan 31	9:00 a.m.....	Fred Hall/ Louise Hall
Thur	Feb 01	8:00 a.m....	Kathleen Reilly/ Joe Clutterbuck
Fri	Feb 02	8:00 a.m.	Kathleen Flynn/ Anna Su Tran
Sat	Feb 03	8:30 a.m. ..	Tina DiFrancesco/ Helen Choma
		5:00 p.m.	Murray Urquhart/ Deceased Members of the Markham Family
Sun	Feb 04	7:30 a.m.....	Missa Pro Popolo
		9:30 a.m....	Ida Fratangelo/Giovanni DiPietro
		11:30 a.m.	Mike D'Orante/ Alfonso Limoncelli

Retrouvaille Weekend:

Support for your Marriage—Does your marriage feel like it is more trouble than joy, does it feel stagnant or disconnected? Is it causing you constant stress? The solution is Retrouvaille - whose one purpose is to help couples restore their marriage and rebuild a loving relationship. This is a practical program, where sharing is not required except between the couple themselves. It is designed to improve communication, build stronger marriages, and help couples reconnect. For struggling couples, including those who may be considering separation or divorce, the next Retrouvaille weekend is March 8-10, 2024. For more information, call 905-664-5212 or email teamrecine@gmail.com

HEATING AND HYDRO COMMITTEE

St Alfreds church is looking for committee members to address the increase in heating and hydro bills for St Alfreds Parish. Heating bills have increased by 64% and Hydro/Electricity has risen by 34% over the last two years. I am looking for experts in furnace's, heat pumps, boilers, air conditioning and lighting/electricity. Our main heating for the church is provide by the original boiler, which was installed around 1960. If you are interested in this project and helping to make sure the congregation donations are spent efficiently, please contact me at crichardson30@cogeco.ca. I hope to have the first committee meeting by the end of January 2024. Thank You for your help Chris Richardson finance committee.

IV DOMENICA TEMPO ORDINARIO

28 GENNAIO 2024

Feast of St. Blaise

Sabato 3 febbraio è la festa di San Biagio. San Biagio era un Vescovo che fu decapitato per la sua fede in Cristo intorno all'anno 316 D.C. Viene invocato soprattutto per proteggere i fedeli dalle malattie della gola. Come tradizione cristiana, nel giorno della sua festa i fedeli sono invitati a farsi benedire la gola. La benedizione della gola a Sant'Alfredo avrà luogo sabato 3 febbraio alla Messa delle ore 8,30.

Non cambiare un amico per interesse, ne un fratello per l'oro di Ofir.

Non disdegnare una sposa saggia e buona, poiche la sua bonta vale piu dell'oro.

Non maltrattare un dipendente che lavora fedelmente ne un mercenario che da tutto se stesso.

*Ogni nuovo giorno
e un giorno in piu
per amare,
Un giorno in piu
Per sognare,
Un giorno in piu
Per vivere.
~Padre Pio*

Siete invitati a St. Alfred Pasta Dinner

Le cene di pasta mercoledì 31 gennaio dalle 16:30 alle 19:00. Stanza di San Marco.
\$ 15 che comprende pasta rossa o bianca, polpette, insalata, pane, una bevanda e un dessert