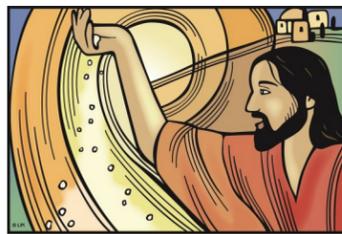
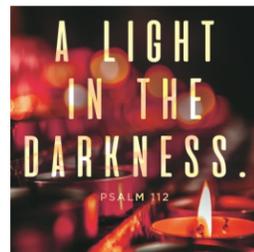


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**Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

What does it mean to be salt and light? If we listen carefully to Jesus' words, we gain some direction. To be salt means to bring taste, zest, and joy to life. We are asked to liven things up a bit by allowing the joy of our faith to spill over into the lives of others. Only a sincere and deep relationship with God can freshen up humanity and set it on proper course. To be light means that our faith must translate into action so that we can be Christ for others and extend the same arm of mercy and compassion that Christ did. Our acts of piety, then, cannot be directed solely at ourselves. Prayer is never about self-benefit but must always be directed toward union with God, deepening our relationships with one another and learning how to be effective stewards of the beautiful universe God has entrusted to our care.



The Master gives us wise direction in terms of how we can best become the salt and light he desires. Listen carefully to the Beatitudes. Think about the oppression and alienation that exists in our world, the violence and prejudice, the anger and the hatred, the fear and the shame. All of these things require action. The poor need food, housing, and clothes. Hatred must be replaced by love. Retaliation and violence by forgiveness. Our thoughts and speech can become more like Christ. We can change and continue to change. Blessed John Henry Cardinal Newman said, "To live is to change and to be perfect is to have changed often." But it doesn't end with just offering the bandages needed to heal wounds. It must go deeper. We must ask ourselves what has happened that we have found ourselves in this place with these wounds and divisions. What are their causes? Together we must address these systemic problems, politically and spiritually, and face the truth. Only then will we truly be salt and light. But then again, we may not like what the light shows us.

**Cathedral Appeal Update**

Did you know that the restoration of our Cathedral is on schedule, and thanks to the intercession of St. Catherine, on budget? Vibrant murals are transforming the ceiling, the sanctuary is being renewed by reusing historical material such as marble, and beautifully painted stations of the cross are being put back in place in preparation for the season of Lent. Consider a visit to our Cathedral to see first-hand the amazing restoration well underway. Go to <https://www.thecathedralinstcatharines.com/> for information and Mass schedules. And thank you for prayerfully considering making a donation by picking up a brochure pledge form in your church or visiting [www.saintcd.com/appeal](http://www.saintcd.com/appeal). Thank you and God bless you!

Saturday, **February 8th** is the **sixth International Day of Prayer and Awareness against Human Trafficking**. It is celebrated on the Feast of St. Josephine Bakhita. Let us pray for the victims and for those who work to end human trafficking. For more information about this issue that affects victims in our own local community, please go to the RCMP Human Trafficking National Coordination Centre website <http://www.rcmp-grc.gc.ca/ht-tp/index-eng.htm>.

**Offertory February 1st & 2nd, 2020**

64 Envelopes	\$1,725.00
Loose Collection	\$ 85.00
Total Offertory	\$1,810.00
Maintenance	\$ 286.00



**The 28th World Day of the Sick will be celebrated on the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes, Tuesday, February 11, 2020.**

The World Day of the Sick focuses on three themes. It reminds the faithful to pray for the sick; it invites us to reflect upon the meaning of human suffering; finally, it recognizes and honours all persons who work in the health care field. In Pope Francis' Message for the 28th World Day of the Sick, "Come to me, all you who labour and are burdened, and I will give you rest" (Mt 11:28), he urges that "what is needed is a personalized approach to the sick, not just of curing but also of caring, in view of an integral human healing". Pope Francis' Message is available (in several languages) at the Holy See website:

[http://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/sick/documents/papa-francesco\\_20200103\\_giornata-malato.html](http://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/sick/documents/papa-francesco_20200103_giornata-malato.html)

**An invitation is extended to all parishioners who are elderly and/or suffering from a serious illness or disease to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick on THIS SUNDAY FOLLOWING THE 11AM MASS.**

**Recipients of the Anointing of the Sick:**

Those of the faithful whose health is seriously impaired by sickness or old age may receive this sacrament. The sacrament may be repeated if the sick person recovers after being anointed and then again falls ill or if during the same illness the person's condition becomes more serious. A sick person may be anointed before surgery whenever a serious illness is the reason for the surgery. Elderly people may be anointed if they have become notably weakened even though no serious illness is present. Sick children may be anointed if they have sufficient use of reason to be strengthened by this sacrament.

**Let us pray** for those who are sick or suffering and for doctors, nurses, health care workers, and pastoral caregivers who work to restore health to those afflicted with illness and disease.

**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.

**A Lifeline for Marriage Retrouvaille**—weekend of **March 13, 2020**, at the Mount Carmel Spiritual Centre in Niagara Falls, please call **905-664-5212** or email: [retrouvaille.hamilton@cogeco.ca](mailto:retrouvaille.hamilton@cogeco.ca)

**Parish Calendar**

- February 2020.....**
- Feb 9th.....** Anointing of the sick following the 11am Mass
  - Feb 11th ....** World day of the Sick– Our Lady of Lourdes
  - Feb 17th....** Family Day
  - Feb 19th.....** Youth Ministry Cancelled
  - 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**

The **annual retreat during Lent** will be held at Mount Carmel this year on **Wednesday, March 4th from 8:30am to 2:30pm** or **Thursday, March 5th from 5 to 8pm.**

The Guest speaker will be Fr. Stuart MacDonald pastor of St. Joseph Parish, Snyder. Cost is \$40 and **deadline to register is February 14th.**

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.**

**Everyday Stewardship—Recognize God in Your Ordinary Moments-**

If you were a store owner, what would you do to attract people? Would you always put your best foot forward? How hard would you work to show everybody that your place is worth repeated visits and patronage? You may not be an entrepreneur with your own business, but you do have your parish community. This is your community and what you do and how you act in the world around you will either add to a buzz or a lack of interest. How you use the gifts you and your community have been given will do a lot to attract people and cause them to talk. You will be like a city on top of a mountain that no one can miss. Can your light shine so bright that it can be seen from miles around? You may be only one person, but you are a part of something greater than yourself. Your stewardship can easily become contagious. At a time when too many are choosing to disregard the Church, it is time to create a positive buzz.

**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. Sts. Peter & Paul Parish in Welland will be hosting the relics from February 9 – February 14, 2020 and Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish in St. Catharines from February 15 – 20, 2020. For more information please contact the respective parish office.

**Sunday, February 9th, 2020**

**5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

"You are the light of the world. A city set on a mountain cannot be hidden."  
 - Mt 5:14



Sat. Feb 8	9-10am	<b>Confessions</b>
	4-4:45pm	<b>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament &amp; Confessions</b>
	5:00pm	† Deceased Members of the Csukerda Family (Mary & Bill Podolyak)
		† Ethel Della Valle (Jan & Lana) Juliana Maria P. (Meier Family)
Sun. Feb 9	9:30am	Missa Pro Populo
	11:00am	† Mary Wood (Joan & Tim Crowther)
Mon. Feb 10	9:30am	Reparation for all the offences Committed against the Immaculate Heart (Teresa Walters) Blessings & Health for Dale Myszczyzyn (Family)
	7-8pm	<b>Holy Hour &amp; Confessions</b>
Tues. Feb 11	9:30am	Special Intention (Patti & Cyril Simek) Special Intention (Larocque Family)
Wed. Feb 12	9:30am	† Repose of the Souls of the Vadakoot Family (Zita Alamparambil)
Thurs. Feb 13	9:30am	† Audrey Whyte (Gwen MacDougall)
Fri. Feb 14	9:30am	† Deceased Members of the Vanderlee Family (Tina Vanderlee)
Sat. Feb 15	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)

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



