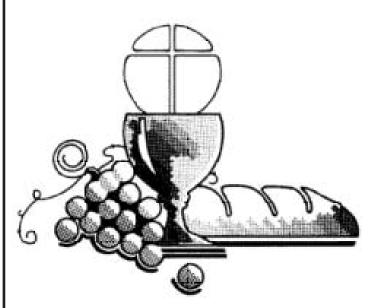
The Roman Catholic Communities of BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH, BURFORD & ST. ANTHONY DANIEL PARISH, SCOTLAND

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For further information see the volunteer commitment forms in the main foyer of the church

NEW PARISHIONERS

We welcome new parishioners! Registration forms are available at the entrance of the church and at the parish office.

ARRANGING A WEDDING

A minimum of 6 months preparation, which includes a Marriage Preparation course is required for all couples wishing to be married in Hamilton Diocese.

St. Vincent de Paul: 519-865-1562

(Please Leave a Message)

OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday to Friday 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

LORD'S DAY MASSES

Saturday 5:00 p.m. Burford Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Burford 11:30 a.m. Scotland

WEEKDAY MASSES

Burford: Tues. 7:00 p.m. Burford: Wed. to Fri. - 8:30 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 4:15 to 4:45 p.m. or by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Application forms are available at the entrance of the church. Please fill in and place in collection basket or drop off at office. Once received Andrew Czarny will contact you.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Anointing of the sick in home or hospital can be arranged by calling the parish office. Whenever possible, please call before any situation becomes critical.

HOLY ORDERS/RELIGIOUS VOCATION

Individuals wishing to explore a vocation to the priesthood, permanent diaconate or the religious life are encouraged to speak to the Pastor or see the vocations website at www.vocationinfo.ca

CATHOLIC FUNERALS

It is customary to celebrate the funeral of a Catholic with a Funeral Liturgy in the parish church. Please call the Funeral Home or the Parish at time of need. The time of funeral must be confirmed by the Pastor.

SICK & HOMEBOUND

If you know someone who is homebound and would like to receive communion please contact the parish office.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD. Sun.9:30 a.m.

For the young children of the parish. The children's liturgy is an opportunity for children to celebrate the Liturgy of the Word at a level they can understand.

BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH

*1st Friday of every month is Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament following 8:30am Mass
*1st Saturday of every month is Mass at 9:00am followed by the Rosary and Confession
*Sacrament of Reconciliation on Saturday 4:15 pm-4:45 pm

<u>Liturgical Calendar</u>

Monday, February 12 No Mass

Tuesday, February 13

Mass 7:00pm † Jack Vilaca offered by Joe & Sylvia Miller

> Wednesday, February 14 Ash Wednesday Mass 8:45am & 7:00pm ~ All Souls in Purgatory ~

Thursday, February 15 Mass 8:45am †Maria DaPiedade & Joao Borges offered by the family

Friday, February 16 Mass 8:30am followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament *Rebecca MacDonald offered by the Ritter family*

Saturday, February 17 Mass 5:00pm † Jack Vilaca offered by Maria Gloria Vilaca & family

Sunday, February 11 Mass 9:30am ~ All Our Parishioners ~

We Are Stewards

Weekend Contributions \$ 2661.75

Pre-Authorized Giving will be debited on or near the 15th day of each month. If you would like to make any changes or sign up for this convenient service, please contact the parish office. Thank you to all for your continuing support and generosity.

~ Please remember your parish in your will~

Thought for the week

VI Sunday of Ordinary Time Feb. 11, 2024

LV 13:1-2, 44-46; PS 32:1-2, 5, 11; 1 COR 10:31-11:1; MK 1:40-45



Today's readings prepare us for the penitential season of Lent.

In our Gospel, a leper knelt before Jesus and said, "If you wish, you

can make me clean." Jesus reached out and touched this diseased man and healed him. He then encouraged the man to show himself to the priest and offer himself a cleansing, referencing what was commanded in the Law of Moses. By completing these rituals, this man might be reinstituted into the community.

Let us approach this holy season of Lent like the leper. By our faults, we have distanced ourselves from God and His community. The leper reminds us Who to go to so that we might be healed. Let us approach the Lord this season on our knees asking for forgiveness and healing from our offenses, saying, "If you wish, you can make me clean." There is no doubt that, if we have a contrite heart, Jesus will stretch out His hand in forgiveness and His mercy will touch our lives.

And like the leper, we too should go forth from being healed with a commitment to cleanse ourselves from the lasting effects of sin. Lent is a time to offer acts of reparation through Prayer, Fasting, and Almsgiving so that we might be purified in all areas of our life and walk with the Gracious Healer, Who sacrificed His life for our sake.

This holy season of Lent is an opportunity to be healed and cleansed on our journey as disciples of Christ. Let us consider what we can do to offer acts of reparation so that we might be purified and one day partake in the resurrection of Christ.



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: For all of those wishing to have their children fulfill the Sacrament of First Holy Communion and First Reconciliation we will be holding our first meeting at the church on **Friday**, **April 5th** at 7:00pm to 8:00pm in the

Parish Hall.

OTHER DATES TO NOTE

Retreat Day and Reconciliation– Saturday, April 13th from 11:00 am to 1:00pm (snack will be provided) Rehearsal – Friday, April 26th at 7:00pm -8:00pm Celebration – Sunday, April 28th at 9:30am Mass

ST. ANTHONY DANIEL PARISH



Liturgical Calendar

Sunday, February 18 Mass 11:30am ~ All Our Parishioners ~

We Are Stewards

Weekend Contributions \$ 672.00



BEGINS FEBRUARY 14th

In 2024, like in every year, Ash Wednesday is the first day of the liturgical season of Lent. It always falls six and half weeks before Easter, beginning the Lenten season of preparation for Christ's Resurrection on Easter Sunday.

Ash Wednesday dates back to the 11th century. Yet, the tradition of receiving ashes has even earlier roots — to the ancient Hebrew custom of clothing oneself in sackcloth and dusting oneself with ashes as a sign of penance.

The Bible does not explicitly detail this first day of Lent, but there are many instances of this repentant act in the Old Testament,

In the early Christian Church, public penance for people who had sinned including wearing ashes and sackcloth. As the Church grew and evolved, this practice lessened.

This long tradition — of externally recognizing ourselves as sinners seeking renewal with God - ultimately transformed into what we now know as Ash Wednesday, the first day of Lent.

It is typical to receive ashes on your forehead in the Sign of the Cross. Similar to taking communion at Mass, you usually process toward the altar to get ashes. The priest will make the Sign of the Cross and say one of two things:

- "Remember that you are dust, and unto dust you • shall return."
- "Repent, and believe in the Gospel."

The ashes symbolize our mortality. They are a physical reminder that our bodies will decay, but our souls will live on in eternal life.

LENT RETREAT "Healing through Reconciliation"

Please join us for our Lenten Retreat: "Healing through Reconciliation" on February 27th, 28th and 29th. We are excited to welcome Father Bill Trusz, Missionary of Mercy to our parish for this special retreat. We will meet in the church at 7:00pm each evening.

Tuesday evening will be Mass and the homily will center on the importance of the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Wednesday, there will be confessions beginning at 3:00 pm until Mass at 7:00 pm. The homily will focus on "Mary. Woman of the Holy Spirit"

Thursday, there will be confessions from 3:00pm until Mass at 7:00 pm and the homily will focus on "The Cleansing Power of Almsgiving" and a healing vigil. We hope to see you!

DURING LENT AT BLESSED SACRAMENT STATIONS OF THE CROSS - FRIDAYS AT 7PM

DURING LENT AT SAINT ANTHONY DANIEL STATIONS OF THE CROSS - FOLLOWING SUNDAY MASS

PARISH LENTEN SERIES

Do you struggle to believe that you are intimately and personally loved by Jesus Christ? Do you want to experience his Divine Mercy more abundantly? Here is your chance to gain a deeper knowledge and greater trust in His unconditional love.

Join us starting **Thursday**, February 15th at 7:00 pm as we begin a 5-week video series on Divine Mercy. The Second Greatest Story Ever Told. This series has been created by Fr. Michael Gaitley. After watching the video, we will break into small groups for a short discussion.

We are encouraging everyone to use this as an opportunity to be spiritually renewed this Lent. Please invite a friend to join you.

Blessed Sacrament Parish

181 King Street, Burford Thursday evenings at 7:00pm. February 15th, 22nd and 29th March 7th and 21st

Registration is not mandatory but it would be nice if you would signup so we have an idea of how many will be attending. There is a signup sheet at the back of the Church, or you can call or email the Parish Office.

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