



The Parishes
of
St. Peter Celestine, Pakenham
And
St. Michael's, Corkery



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February 8, 2026

St. Peter Celestine Parish www.stpetercelestine.ca

Mass times: Wednesday 9:00 am, Friday 9:00 am, Sunday 9:00 am

Confession: Upon request

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Wed & Fri in the sacristy 8am–8:45pm

Adoration: every First Sunday 8:15 am – 8:45 am

Holy Hours on Friday: In reparation of sins & for the sanctification of clergy

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St. Michael's Parish www.stmcorkery.ca

Mass times: Tuesday: 7:30 pm, Thursday 9:30 am, Saturday 4:30 pm, Sunday 11 am

Confession: Saturday 3:30 pm – 4:15 pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Tues: 6:30pm & Thurs: 8:30 am in reparation
of sins & for the sanctification of clergy.

Adoration: every Saturday: 9am – 12pm (excludes 1st Saturday) and Tue & Thu, 1 hr
prior to mass - In reparation of sins & for the sanctification of clergy

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Mass Intentions St Michael's

Sat Feb 7th to Thu Feb 19th

Date	Intention	Requested by
Sat Feb 7 8:00 AM	- For the Deceased members of the Tate Family	Marty & Terry Tate
4:30 PM	- For the intentions of the McCauley & O'Donnell families	Constance O'Donnell
Sun Feb 8 11:00 AM	- Repose of the soul of Jean Tomasso	Ed & Lana Smit
Tue Feb 10 7:30 PM	- For the intentions of Naiomi Visser - For the prayer Warriors and all requested intentions	***** Prayer Warriors
Thu Feb 12 9:30 AM	- For the living and deceased members of the Leon family	*****
Sat Feb 14 4:30 PM	- Rest In Peace Douglas Desjardins	David & Priscilla Wilkinson
Sun Feb 15 11:00 AM	- Pro Populo	
Tue Feb 17 7:30 PM	- Repose of the soul of Ryan Speck on the 1 year anniversary of his passing - Repose of the souls of Andre & Jimmy Paradis - Repose of the soul of Al O'Connor	Anne Speck ***** Ginette Dagenais
Thu Feb 19 9:30 AM	- Repose of the souls of Annie & Kathleen Mahoney	Constance O'Donnell

*****Please Note*** We kindly ask that no more that 3 mass intentions be submitted at one time.**

St Peter Celestine
Sunday Feb 8th – Sunday Feb 22nd

Date	Intention	Requested by
Sun Feb 8 9:00 AM	Pro Populo	
Wed Feb 11 9:00 AM	- For the intentions of Dr & Lena Kiss	*****
Fri Feb 13 9:00 AM	- For the intentions of Mother Mary Bernadette of Queenship of Mary - Repose of the soul of Elizabeth O'Neill	Fr Matthew Tony O'Neill
Sun Feb 15 9:00 AM	- For all past & current council members & their families - Respose of the souls of the MacFarlane Family - Repose of the souls of Audrey & Carl Killeen - Special intentions for all new parishioners & their families	Stan Cybulski Bonnie MacFarlane Carole & Pat Kennedy Kelly Cavanagh
Wed Feb 18 9:00 AM	- Repose of the soul of Roger Frechette	*****
Fri Feb 20 9:00 AM	- For healing & recovery of a friend of a parishioner	*****
Sun Feb 22 9:00 AM	Pro Populo	

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February: The month Dedicated to the Holy Family

Let us ask for the intercession of the Holy Family that we may have the strength and courage to stand against all those who seek to destroy the life of traditional families. Let us also pray for the intercession of St. Joseph, who was the Protector of the Child Jesus and Mary, and is the Protector of the Holy Catholic Church. Amen.”
-----Pope JP II

The Saints & The Holy Family

Numerous saints have held a deep devotion to the Holy Family, seeing it as a model of all the virtues lived out in ordinary life. Among them are:

Saint Peter Julian Eymard “From the Eternal Father, Joseph received the commission to guard His adorable Son Whom He loves as Himself with an infinite love and to watch over Mary, the most beloved of all His creatures. Saint Joseph is head of the Holy Family, father of the trinity on earth which resembles so closely the Holy Trinity on high.”

Saint John Paul II emphasized the importance of the family as the domestic church and encouraged families to model themselves after the Holy Family.

Saint Teresa of Calcutta “If you want to change the world, go home and love your family.”

Place an image or icon of the Holy Family in your house. To make it more personal, set a favourite picture of your own family beside it to remind you to pray to Jesus, Mary, and Joseph for the daily spiritual and physical needs of your family.

In Preparation for Lent



February 18th is Ash Wednesday. Have you given any thought to what you will do to make this Lenten journey your best?

Preparing for Lent begins now, not on Ash Wednesday.

Use the next week before Ash Wednesday to reflect, plan and spiritually prepare your heart.

Prayer: Start or deepen a daily prayer habit. Aim for at least 15 minutes a day. If you are already exceeding 15 minutes, consider extending even more. Use a Lenten prayer booklet, read Scripture or try lectio divina. If you are able, attend daily Mass or go to Confession more frequently.

The Power of Ashes: Preparing for Ash Wednesday

Understanding the Symbolism of Ashes

The use of ashes has deep biblical roots, often associated with penance and humility. Throughout Scripture, ashes symbolize mourning, repentance, and the recognition of human frailty. In the Old Testament, individuals would don sackcloth and ashes as a sign of sorrow for sin and a plea for God's mercy. Today, the practice continues as a reminder of our need for conversion and spiritual renewal.



Receiving ashes on Ash Wednesday emphasizes our dependence on God, who created us from dust and calls us to share in His Divine Life. Receiving ashes isn't just about acknowledging our mortality—it's also about recognizing that we are loved and called to something greater. It's a personal invitation to turn away from sin and strive for holiness.

Dignity of Human Life Sunday- Feb 8th

The Catholic Church teaches that human life is sacred and that every person possesses inherent dignity from conception to natural death. This belief is foundational to our Catholic social teaching and emphasizes the importance of respecting and valuing all human life, regardless of circumstances.



Our commitment, as Catholic Christians, to accompany the sick with care and love until natural death is a direct response to the command of God and the example of our Lord: “Do not cast me off in the time of old age; do not forsake me when my strength is spent” (Ps 71:9); “I was sick and you took care of me” (Mt 25:36). We continue to pray for the sick, for all caregivers, and for lawmakers whose role it is to help shape a society that does not harm or endanger the lives of its citizens.

Prayer for God's Precious Gift of Life

Father and Maker of all, You adorn all creation with splendour and beauty, and fashion human lives in your image and likeness.

Awaken in every heart, reverence for the work of your hands, and renew among Your people a readiness to nurture and sustain Your precious gift of life at every stage and in every circumstance.

Grant this through Our Lord Jesus Christ, Your son, who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, Lord forever and ever.



Need Prayer

Send prayer requests to: prayers@stmckery.ca
Absolute Discretion and anonymity

Wisdom of the Saints:

“Actions speak louder than words; let your words teach and your actions speak.”

---St. Anthony of Padua-----

Archbishop’s Fund for Mission Advancement – Special Collection (February 21-22)

On the First Sunday of Lent, we invite your contribution to the Diocesan & Missionary Works special collection, which supports the **Archbishop’s Fund for Mission Advancement**. This fund helps Archbishop



Damphousse respond quickly and generously to real needs and to opportunities that support the mission of the Church, especially here in the Archdiocese of Ottawa–Cornwall.

Most of what is given stays right here in our diocese, supporting evangelization, youth and family ministry, Catholic education and campus ministry, and other charitable works close to home.

Thanks to your generosity, more than **\$60,000** was raised last year. This year, our goal is **\$100,000**. Thank you for being a part of the mission!

Mini Mom Retreat - Saturday, February 21st!

The theme is "*Unseen Holiness of Motherhood*". We hope this mini retreat will be an opportunity for moms to have a child free break (babies are welcome) & enjoy some spiritual refreshment! The afternoon will include some silent time in Adoration with Jesus, an opportunity for confession, holy rosary, an encouraging talk by Fr Matthew Chojna on the theme of "*Unseen Holiness of Motherhood*", then will conclude with a potluck and fellowship with other moms. The cost is a freewill offering that will all go towards the parish for Father's time. Please register via jessieyanchus@gmail.com & bring some food items to share with everyone. See the attached poster for more.

Holy Family Playgroup invites you to join us for our annual retreat:

UNSEEN HOLINESS OF MOTHERHOOD

A MINI RETREAT FOR MOTHERS

WHEN:
Saturday, February 21, 2026
11am - 3:30pm

WHERE:
St. Michael's Parish
1560 Corkery Road, Carp, ON

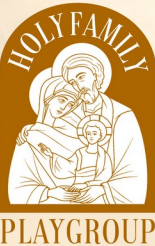
An opportunity for busy Mom's to have a child free break from the daily grind of family life & enjoy some spiritual refreshment & fellowship time with other mom's (babies are welcome).

Fr Matthew Chojna to give an encouraging talk on the theme of "Unseen Holiness of Motherhood".

Includes: silent Adoration, opportunity for confession, Holy Rosary and a potluck & fellowship

Cost is a freewill offering. All proceeds go to the parish. Please register & sign up for potluck at: JessieYanchus@gmail.com or 343-987-1760

Holy Family Playgroup is a group of mothers who gather with their children every Thursday, 9:30 - 11:30 am, at St Isidore's Parish Hall, 1135 March Road, Kanata. Come, hang out with us, sip some coffee as our kids play together. For more information email: JessieYanchus@gmail.com





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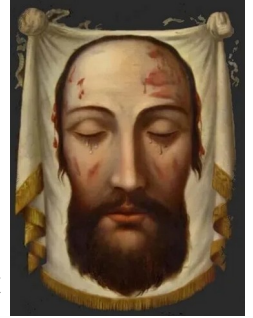
[Click to watch *How to Lent*](#)

The Holy Face Devotion

Please join us in making reparation for the modern affronts against the first three commandments:

Idolatry, blasphemy and the desecration of the Holy day of Sunday.

When: Every Tuesday evening after the 7:30 pm mass at St Michael's Parish.



This weeks Saints of the Day

February:

8th – St John of Matha, St Jerome Emiliani, St Josephine Bakhita

9th – St Cyril of Alexandria, St Apollonia, St Nicephorus

10th – St Scholastica

11th – Our Lady of Lourdes

12th – St Eulaia

13th – St Catherine de Ricci, St Polyeucte

14th – St Valentine

This weeks Smile



Thanks to Aunt Faye (See Exodus 2:1-9) 02-13-2006

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