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St. Peter Celestine Parish

Mass times: Wednesday 9:00 a.m.
Friday 9:00 a.m.
Sunday 9:00 a.m.

Confession: Upon request

Adoration: Wednesday & Friday in the sacristy at 8:00 – 8:45 a.m. First Sunday at 8:15 – 8:45 a.m. Holy Hours on Friday are for the reparation of sins, for the healing of victims & for the sanctification of clergy.

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St. Michael's Parish

Mass times: Tuesday 7:30 p.m.
Thursday 9:30 a.m.
Saturday 4:30 p.m.
Sunday 11:00 a.m.

Confession: Saturday 3:30 – 4:15 p.m.

Adoration: Tuesday at 6:30 – 7:15 p.m. and Thursday at 8:30 – 9:15 a.m. Saturday at 9:00 a.m. – noon, except 1st Saturday. 1st Friday: 7:00 p.m. – 8:00 a.m. (Sat.) Holy Hours on Tuesday are for the reparation of sins, for the healing of victims & for the sanctification of clergy.

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March - The Month of St. Joseph



The month of March is dedicated to St. Joseph. We don't know much about him except what is mentioned in the Gospels. Joseph was the husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary and the foster-father of Jesus. Holy Scripture proclaims him as a "just man," and the Church has turned to Joseph for his patronage and protection. Pope Leo XIII in his encyclical Quamquam Pluries (On the Devotion to St. Joseph) in 1889 explains why we place so much trust in this saint:

"Thus in giving Joseph the Blessed Virgin as spouse, God appointed him to be not only her life's companion, the witness of her maidenhood, the protector of her honor, but also, by virtue of the conjugal tie, a participator in her sublime dignity. And Joseph shines among all mankind by the most august dignity, since by divine will, he was the guardian of the Son of God and reputed as His father among men. Hence it came about that the Word of God was humbly subject to Joseph, that He obeyed him, and that He rendered to him all those offices that children are bound to render to their parents. From this two-fold dignity flowed the obligation which nature lays upon the head of families, so that Joseph became the guardian, the

administrator, and the legal defender of the divine house whose chief he was. And during the whole course of his life he fulfilled those charges and those duties. ...It is, then, natural and worthy that as the Blessed Joseph ministered to all the needs of the family at Nazareth and girt it about with his protection, he should now cover with the cloak of his heavenly patronage and defend the Church of Jesus Christ."

Solemnity of St. Joseph – March 19

St. Joseph, husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Patron Saint of the Universal Church and Principal Patron of Canada. The consecration of Canada to St. Joseph dates back to 1624 when the first priests serving in Canada chose St. Joseph as the Patron of the country and Protector of the nascent Church in Canada. In 1637, the choice of St. Joseph as Patron Saint of the country was ratified in a more official way. Urban VIII confirmed the decision and granted a plenary indulgence for the day of the patronal feast. All the inhabitants of New France, after having gathered at the foot of the holy altars to vow themselves anew to the Holy Spouse of the Queen of

Heaven, took part in the public rejoicing, blessing God for having given them as their protector the very guardian of His Divine Son (Histoire de l'Église du Canada, pp 23-24). Father Le Jeune wrote in the Jesuit Relations that "There is no place in the world where the feast of St. Joseph is celebrated with more pomp and rejoicing than in Canada". In 1834, Gregory XVI definitively approved the vow of 1624 and St. Joseph officially became the first Patron of Canada. St. Joseph was thus honored as Patron and Protector of the Church of Canada, before being declared Patron and Protector of the Universal Church by Pius IX, on December 8, 1870.

Act of Consecration to St. Joseph

O dearest St. Joseph, I consecrate myself to your honor and give myself to you, that you may always be my father, my protector and my guide in the way of salvation. Obtain for me a greater purity of heart and fervent love of the interior life. After your example may I do all my actions for the greater glory of God, in union with the Divine Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary. O Blessed St. Joseph, pray for me, that I may share in the peace and joy of your holy death. Amen.

Chrism Mass at Notre Dame Cathedral

Tuesday, March 26, 5:00 PM, at Notre Dame Cathedral is the Archdiocese of Ottawa-Cornwall Chrism Mass. The Chrism Mass is a special annual Mass where the Archdiocese gathers together to receive the new holy oils for the year. The Archbishop blesses three different oils which are then distributed to parishes. All are invited.

The 7:30 PM Mass at St. Michael's is cancelled that day.

2024 Easter Schedule

Holy Thursday, March 28th

St. Michael's: 7:00 PM – Fr. Francis Donnelly (No 9:30 AM Mass)

St. Peter Celestine: 6:00 PM – Fr. Matthew

Good Friday, March 29th

St. Michael's: 3:00 PM – Fr. Matthew

St. Peter Celestine: 3:00 PM – Fr. Francis Donnelly (No 9:00 AM Mass)

Holy Saturday, March 30th

St. Michael's: 8:00 PM – Fr. Francis Donnelly (No 4:30 PM Mass)

St. Peter Celestine: 8:00 PM – Fr. Matthew

Stations of the Cross During Lent

St. Michael's: Fridays at 6:30 PM

St. Peter Celestine: Fridays after the 9:00 AM Mass

Confession During Lent

St. Michael's: Tuesdays from 5:45 – 6:15 PM and Fridays from 6:00 – 6:30 PM

St. Peter Celestine: Sundays from 8:15 – 8:45 AM

St. Peter Celestine Cleaning Bees

Cleaning Bees at St. Peter Celestine Parish will take place on Friday, March 22 and Saturday, March 23 beginning at 9:30 AM. Please feel free to join us if you can. All help is greatly appreciated!

Mass Intentions – St. Michael's Corkery				
Sat	Mar 16	4:30 PM	For the intentions of Our Blessed Mother, Queen of Peace	the Yanchus Family
Sun	Mar 17	11:00 AM	For the intentions of the Smit and Hunt Families	Ed and Lana Smit
Tues	Mar 19	7:30 PM	For Theresa and Francis Small	the Yanchus Family
Thur	Mar 21	9:30 AM	+For the repose of the soul of Debbie Mills	
Sat	Mar 23	4:30 PM	For the intentions of Bishop A. Tonnos	
Palm Sunday	Mar 24	11:00 AM	Pro Populo	
Mass Intentions – St. Peter Celestine Pakenham				
Sun	Mar 17	9:00 AM	Pro Populo	
Wed	Mar 20	9:00 AM	For Father Matthew's intentions	Margaret Neamtz
Fri	Mar 22	9:00 AM	For the conversion of family members	Margaret Neamtz
Palm Sunday	Mar 24	9:00 AM	+For the repose of the souls of Loretto and Orville Syme	Liz Syme