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Sat. Jan 20 th	4:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	FF BC	Holy Mass † Patricia O'Reilly by The Demoe & Baker Family
Sun. Jan 21 st	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	BC FF	Holy Mass † Frank & Berta Hickey by Mr. & Mrs. MacManaman
Wed. Jan 24 th			<i>NO MASS</i>
Thurs. Jan 25 th	9:00 a.m.	FF	
Fri. Jan 26 th	9:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m.	FF BC	
Sat. Jan 27 th	4:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	FF BC	Holy Mass † Daniel Dunn by Shirley Montgomery
Sun. Jan 28 th	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	BC FF	Holy Mass † Frank & Berta Hickey by David & Margaret-Anne Billings

Let us remember in our prayers all who are sick

Bobcaygeon – Paul Sirois, Lynn Lebel, Joseph Ehmann, Judith Dann, Helen Vozza & Barbara Gartner.

Fenelon Falls – P. McKeaveney, Pat Howards, Patrick White, Lorraine Smith, Bob Smith, Erica Dutrieue, Jim Saigeon, Allen Chocorlan's & Deacon Bill Steenburgh

<i>Funds Collected Jan 8th to 14th, 2024</i>		
OLQP	Sunday Offertory	\$ 370. ⁰⁰
	Canada Helps	\$ 159. ²³
	E-transfer	\$ 0. ⁰⁰
St. Aloysius	Sunday Offertory	\$ 541. ⁷⁵
	Canada Helps	\$ 0. ⁰⁰
	E-transfer	\$ 0. ⁰⁰

From the Desk of the Pastor...

In his Sunday's Gospel (Mk 1, 14-20), Jesus proclaims in clear terms his message: "The Kingdom of God is at hand. Repent and believe in the Gospel." The call requires a clear, not a half-hearted response. The first disciples who heard the call left everything and followed Him.

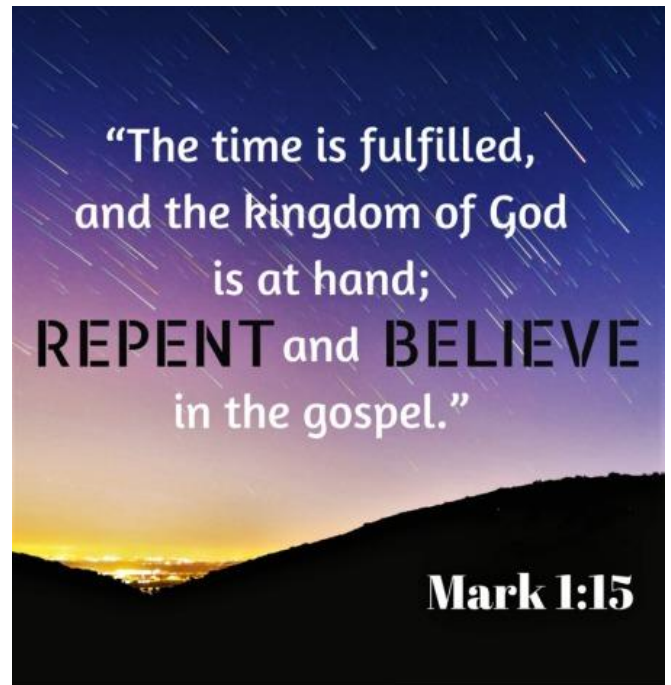
True repentance is not just about being sorry for one's sins. Rather, it is a change or conversion of one's ways, lifestyle, priorities and values. It is the realization and grateful acceptance of God's unconditional forgiveness and a decision to **pay back** the Lord for His goodness.

Payback time can be triggered by the experience of blessings or pain. It could be a sincere and grateful response to God's goodness and generosity, or a desperate surrendering to God who can help ease one's pain, loneliness and sinfulness. It is all made possible by God's grace.

Payback time happens when we finally realize that we are living on borrowed time. It is the acknowledgement that there is Someone greater than ourselves to whom we are accountable.

To follow something or someone implies a leaving behind of something or someone that is valuable or comfortable. Payback time is giving back to God what we love and value and just trusting Him to take care of everyone and everything.

Those who are in payback time mode must constantly listen to God and be assured of His constant love because it is so easy to slide back to one's former and familiar ways.

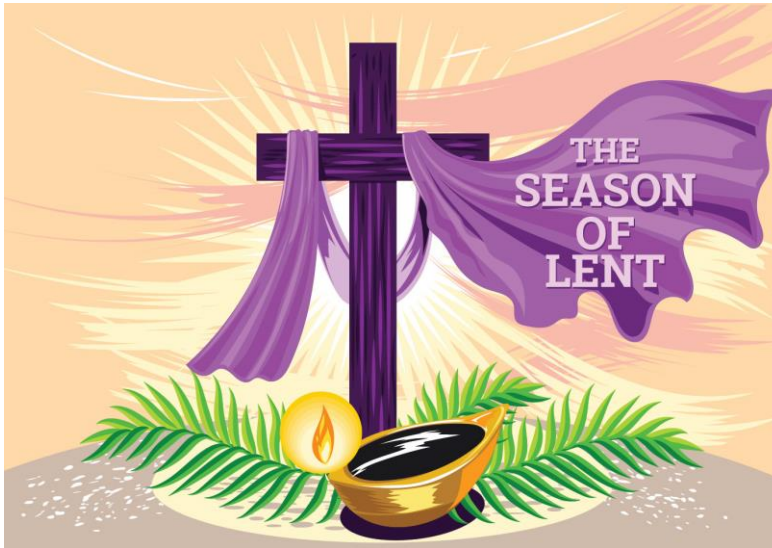


In God's love,

Fr. Luis

OLQP

Food Bank: Happy and healthy New Year to all! The Food Bank would like to thank our Parish Family for its continuing support in 2023, which saw a real increase in our client base. The high cost of living leaves many with unwelcome choices between rent and groceries, and it is with this need the Food Bank, along with other FBs in Canada, seek to help. This can only be done through the generous donations from the community. Please continue to share what you can, when you can. It is really appreciated.

**PREPARING FOR LENT****When Is Lent in 2024?**

On February 14 this year, some people will be celebrating a day of love, while others will be commencing the start of a season of prayer and fasting known as Lent. During Lent, which begins on Ash Wednesday and ends at sundown on Holy Thursday, Christians throughout the world take part in rituals to prepare to celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ on Easter.

The Lenten season can look a little different depending on the person – some might choose things to give up for Lent, like a certain food or habit, others might opt to do something charitable (also known as almsgiving). One important thing that most of those who observe do, however, is fast. Fasting acts as a form of self-control, "to follow Christ's will more faithfully."

So, please mark down the dates of the holy time.

When does Lent 2024 start?

Lent begins on Wednesday February 14, 2024 – also known as Ash Wednesday. On Ash Wednesday, which is traditionally a somber holiday, a church's priest or pastor will dip their finger into a tray of ashes and spread them on congregants' foreheads in the shape of a cross. While doing this, they'll say, "from dust you came and from dust you will return." The ashes are made by burning palm branches from the previous year's Palm Sunday (this year, Palm Sunday falls on March 24).

How long is Lent?

Lent is 40 days long, not including Sundays. The fact that it's 40 days has significance.

The number 40 has always had special spiritual significance regarding preparation ... most importantly, Jesus fasted and prayed for 40 days and 40 nights in the desert before He began His public ministry (Matthew 4:2).

When does Lent end?

Lent ends three days before Easter Sunday on Thursday, March 28, 2024. The week before Easter Sunday – called Holy Week – is a big deal in the Christian church. Holy Week begins on Palm Sunday, March 24, which commemorates Jesus's triumphant arrival in Jerusalem, where he received palm branches at his feet. Then comes Holy Wednesday, which acknowledges Judas's plan to betray Jesus. The day after Holy Wednesday is Holy Thursday, which commemorates the Last Supper between Jesus and his disciples. Holy Thursday is the last day of Lent.

**CAN
YOU
HELP?**

Our parish has received a plea for help from the Chaplaincy Department at the Central East Correctional Centre in Lindsay. The Central East is a maximum-security provincial jail that houses adult male offenders. When an inmate is released from that institution, they are released wearing the clothes in which they were originally arrested, and thus, if they were arrested in the summer while wearing just a pair of shorts and a t-shirt then, even though it may be January, those are the clothes they will receive upon their release UNLESS they can be given a winter coat by some kind soul. The Central East Chaplaincy Department, unfortunately, is running out of donated winter coats and thus they have asked our parish (and other local churches) for help. Any gently used men's size winter coat would be greatly appreciated!


A New Year's Prayer

Lord, You make all things new
You bring hope alive in our hearts
And cause our Spirits to be born again.


Thank you for this new year
For all the potential it holds.
Come and kindle in us
A mighty flame
So that in our time, many will see the wonders of God
And live forever to praise Your glorious name.

Amen

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LIVESTREAM LINKS FOR SUNDAY MASSES IN THE MONTH OF JANUARY

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, Sunday of the Word of God, Week of Prayer for Christian Unity
Livestream from the Cathedral of St. Peter-in-Chains starting on Saturday, January 20, 2024, at 5:00 p.m.
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1dzm7stFPPM>

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Livestream from the Cathedral of St. Peter-in-Chains starting on Saturday, January 27, 2024, at 5:00 p.m.
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o3snW3QRxfI>

Online Donations

ETTRANSFERS

You can now send etransfers to our parish office emails and the amounts will be deposited directly to the parish bank account and added to your annual charitable donation receipts. No security questions required.

To send an etransfer to Our Lady Queen of Peace
office@ladyqueenofpeacebobcaygeon.ca

To send an etransfer to St. Aloysius
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Canada Helps allows you to make a donation by clicking the appropriate link below. You can set up weekly, monthly or one-time donations in a secure manner.

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