

#### LONDON EAST CENTRAL CATHOLIC FAMILY OF PARISHES

OUR LADY OF CZESTOCHOWA - ST. MARY - ST. PATRICK

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#### ADORATION CHAPEL

Monday to Friday 9:00 am to 4:00 pm beside St. Mary Church







## Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## February 16, 2025 Jeremiah 17.5-8; 1 Corinthians 15.12,16-20; Luke 6.17,20-26

Today we relive the beatitudes and the misfortunes: "Blessed are you...," if now you suffer in my name; "Woe to you...," if you laugh now. Fidelity to Christ and to his Gospel makes us rejected, mocked in the media, hated, as Christ was hated and hung on the cross. Some think that this is due to the lack of faith of some, but perhaps – if you look closely – it is due to a lack of reason. The world does not want to think or be free; it lives immersed in the desire for wealth, for consumption, for libertarian indoctrination that is filled with vain, empty words where the value of the person is obscured and the teaching of Christ and the Church is mocked, since – today – it is the only thought that truly goes against the current. In spite of everything, the Lord Jesus gives us courage: "Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude and insult you, and denounce your name as evil on account of the Son of God, your reward will be great in heaven" (Lk 6:22,23)

St. John Paul II, in the encyclical Fides et Ratio, said: "It is faith which stirs reason to move beyond all isolation and willingly to run risks so that it may attain whatever is beautiful, good and true." The Christian experience in its saints shows us the truth of the Gospel and of these words of the Holy Father. In the face of a world that takes pleasure in vice and selfishness as a source of happiness, Jesus shows us another way: the happiness of the Kingdom of God, which the world cannot understand, and which it hates and rejects. The Christian, in the midst of the temptations offered by the "easy life," knows that the way is that of the love that Christ showed us on the cross, the way of fidelity to the Father. We know that in the midst of difficulties we cannot become discouraged. If we truly seek the Lord, let us rejoice and leap for joy.

## SUNDAY MASSES: SATURDAY

5:00 pm - OLC (Pl) 5:00 pm - St. Mary (En) 5:00 pm - St. Patrick (En)

#### **SUNDAY**

8:00 am - OLC (En) 10:00 am - OLC (Pl) 10:00 am - St. Mary (It) 10:00 am St. Patrick (En) 12:00 pm - St. Mary (En) 12:00 pm - OLC (Pl)

#### WEEKDAY MASSES

#### **MONDAY**

7:00 pm - St. Mary (En)

#### **TUESDAY**

7:00 pm - OLC (Pl) 7:00 pm - St. Patrick (En)

#### WEDNESDAY

9:00 am - St. Patrick (En) 7:00 pm - St. Mary (It)

#### **THURSDAY**

9:00 am - St. Patrick (En) 7:00 pm - OLC (Pl)

#### **FRIDAY**

7:00 pm - OLC (Pl) 7:00 pm - St. Mary (It)

#### **SATURDAY**

9:00 am - OLC (Pl) 1st Saturday of the month

## CONFESSIONS OL CZESTOCHOWA

Saturday at 4:00 pm & before weekly Mass

#### ST. MARY

Saturdays at 4:00 pm & before weekly Mass

#### ST. PATRICK

Tuesday at 6:00 pm Saturday at 4:00 pm

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ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS			
February 10 to 16, 2025		February 17 to 23, 2025	
TUESDAY, 7:00pm Novena Mass Day of the Sick	Int. of the sick & homebound (St.Patrick) Int. of the Pepe Family † Augusto Honiz † Paul, Teresa Cseh † Chuck, Marie, Beverly Bourgeois	TUESDAY 7:00pm  Novena Mass	Int. of Norah & Ian Hunter Int. of George & Marg Weisz † David Thompson † Augusto Honiz & Parents † Urszula Gabriel
WEDNESD 9:00am	PAY, FEBRUARY 12  † Paul Russette  † Eugene Labossiere	WEDNESD 9:00 am	DAY, FEBRUARY 19 Int. of Doug & Bonnie (60 wed.ann.) † Paul, Teresa Cseh
THURSDA 9:00am	Y, FEBRUARY 13 Int. of Basil & Hildred Kuiak Int. of Candy & Wally Wright	THURSDA 9:00am	† Int. of Jan & Vic (60 wed.ann.) † Cezar & Deolinda Couto
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15 6 Sunday in Ordinary Time 5:00 pm Intentions of Parishioners of St. Patrick  SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22 7 Sunday in Ordinary Time 5:00 pm Intentions of Parishioners of St. Patrick  † Angeline Rodrigues			
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16 6 Sunday in Ordinary Time 10:00am Intentions of Parishioners of St. Patrick  SUND 10:00a			FEBRUARY 23 7 Sunday in Ordinary Time  Intentions of Parishioners of St. Patrick

## ANNOUNCEMENTS - ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH

#### 33 WORLD DAY OF THE SICK

We are celebrating the 33rd World Day of the Sick in the Jubilee Year 2025, in which the Church invites us to become "Pilgrims of Hope". The Word of God accompanies us and offers us, in the words of St. Paul, an encouraging message: "Hope does not disappoint" (Rom 5:5); indeed, it strengthens us in times of trial.

At our Parish Family we celebrated the commemoration of our Lady of Lourdes very solemnly, many parishioners attended the celebration and received the Holy Anoiting. Pray not only for spiritual healing but also for healing of mind and body. Keep in our prayers, our family, our community struggling with all kind of illness and those who care for them. Pray also for political leaders that they would enact laws that promote appreciation for the sick and vulnerable at all stages of life.

#### SUPPORT OF YOUR PARISH

Thank you everyone for supporting our Parish Family by offering gifts, time and talent and also financial contributions. Please get into the habit of using the <u>Sunday envelopes</u> to support our Parish. New Parishioners can fill out the form at the back of the church and the set for Sunday contribution will be prepared.

**Income tax receipts** for the year 2024 for your Church donations will be available at the **end of February**.

SEASON OF LENT-begins on March 5, Ash Wednesday

## JUBILEE YEAR 2025 - "Pilgrims of Hope"

What is a Jubilee? Celebrated every 25 years in the Catholic Church, a Jubilee is a special year of forgiveness and reconciliation in which people are invited to come back into right relationship with God, with one another and with all Creation. The tradition is inspired by the biblical year of Jubilee, a time when debts were cancelled, slaves were set free and the land was allowed to rest. This year, under the theme "Pilgrims of Hope", Pope Francis invites Catholics to renew their hope and adopt a vision that can "restore access to fruits of the earth to everyone"

#### **MICHAELITE FATHERS - Collection**

Once a year a special collection is taken at our Parish for the benefit of the Michaelite Fathers for the Education and Formation of the new Priests coming to Canada to minister. This collection will be taken on the weekend of February 22/23. Envelopes in your sets & at church.

#### **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**

Our formation sessions for parents and children have begun. 70 children from our family of parishes are currently enrolled in the program. Keep them in your prayers The First Communion will be celebrated at St. Patrick Church on **Sunday**, **May 4**, **2025** at 12:00Noon.

#### AN OPEN INVITATION - Chili Supper

Everyone is invited to a Chili Supper at St. Patrick Parish Hall on Saturday, February 22 after the 5:00pm Mass. Tickets \$10.00 per person, sponsored by CWL.