

# 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT

## MASS INTENTIONS

*In light of public Mass cancellations in the Cathedral, our priests will celebrate private daily Masses for the intentions of our parishioners including those previously offered.*

### Monday, March 8

Lucia Coletta (D)  
Masilamani Joseph (D)  
Raphael Joseph (D)  
Adam Quintana (D)  
Lillian Quintana (D)

### Tuesday, March 9

George L. Hurst (D)

### Wednesday, March 10

Jubilino Rego (D)  
Maggie Chew (I)  
For the repose of the souls of those laid to rest in our Catholic Cemeteries

### Thursday, March 11

Elizabeth Dhanendran (D)  
Carmel D'Souza (D)

### Friday, March 12

Christain Del Rosario (D)  
Virginia Echaluze (I)  
Carmela Itay (I)

### Saturday, March 13

Daniel O (I)

## MEMORIAL LAMP TRANSEPTS

<u>Sacred Heart</u>	<u>Immaculate Heart</u>
Lidya, Andi & Family (I)	
Jose Palma (D)	

## LECTIO DIVINA

Please join Cardinal Collins in the Cathedral on **Sunday, March 7** as he leads us in prayer and reflection on *My God, My God (Psalm 22)* **Vespers** (Evening Prayer) at **7 PM**, and **Lectio Divina** from **7:30 to 8:15 PM**.

Lectio Divina is also livestreamed via our website:  
[www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live](http://www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live)

## COMMUNION SERVICES

The pandemic lockdown for the City of Toronto has been extended until at least Thursday, February 11, 2021. Religious services remain very limited, with no more than 10 people allowed in the church and public Masses are cancelled during this time.

Parishioners, we would like to inform you that we continue to be open for private prayer during this period of lockdown and those who wish to receive Holy Communion may do so during the following hours:

- **Saturdays – from 3 PM to 6 PM**
- **Sundays – from 9 AM to 1 PM**

Please note the following information:

- Each Communion Service is limited to **8 people** (plus Priest and staff member).
- Registration is required. Registration through [Eventbrite](#) is required and will be available every **Monday starting 9:00 AM** for the following weekend.
- Due to the limited time and frequency of Communion Services, parishioners will be required to leave the Cathedral directly following the concluding prayer.
- Adherence to all Covid-19 protocols is mandatory, including wearing a mask, maintaining physical distancing and sanitizing your hands.

## SHARELIFE

On **March 21, 2021** there will be a second collection for ShareLife. Thanks for your ongoing support and generosity!

**MARCH 7, 2021**

**REFLECTING ON THE  
MEANING OF STEWARDSHIP  
IN TODAY'S READINGS**

In today's first reading we hear about how Moses received the Ten Commandments from God on Mount Sinai. The Church has always taught that the Ten Commandments are a gift that God has revealed to us to help us orient our lives in a way that best leads us to holiness. In the Gospels, in addition to teaching about the Ten Commandments, Jesus teaches about the importance of loving God and loving our neighbour. The Catechism states that the Ten Commandments "must be interpreted in light of this twofold yet single commandment of love, the fullness of the Law" As we are in this penitential season of Lent let us take some time to reflect on how well we are living up to these commandments. One common way of doing this is to perform an examination of conscience. This involves reflecting on our own lives in light of the Commandments and their related sins. This isn't meant to be a sadistic practice of self-loathing but rather an opportunity to see in which ways we can grow in deeper love for Christ and our neighbour. The best way we can start this process of growth is to avail ourselves to the sacrament of Confession. Confession always remains a place of victory for the Lord is achieving our salvation through the forgiveness of our sins. To be reconciled with God is always a source of celebration. Let us not look to our examination of conscience and confession as a place of guilt and defeat. Instead, this Lent let us be cleansed through the grace of the sacrament so that we may grow as ever holier stewards of Christ.

**ANNUAL MASS OF  
ST. PATRICK (VIRTUAL)  
Wednesday, March 17 at 10AM**

*A VIRTUAL MASS CELEBRATED AT ST. MICHAEL'S  
CATHEDRAL BASILICA*

All are invited to join the livestream of the annual Mass of St. Patrick from St. Michael's Cathedral in Toronto. The Eucharistic celebration will take place on **Wednesday, March 17 at 10AM**. Celebrant and homilist will be Cardinal Thomas Collins, Archbishop of Toronto. The livestream can be accessed at: [www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live](http://www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live).

**CELEBRATION OF THE 500<sup>TH</sup>  
ANNIVERSARY OF CHRISTIANITY IN  
THE PHILIPPINES**

**Inaugural Mass for the Quincentennial**

**Celebration** From: Rev. Lorenzo Salandanan,  
Chairman, Organizing Committee

I am pleased to invite everyone to join us virtually for the diocesan inaugural Mass celebrating the 500th anniversary of the arrival of Christianity in the Philippines.

**Date: Tuesday, March 16, 2021 Time: 11AM**

**Location:** Online - the Mass will air from our website:  
[www.ph500toronto.com](http://www.ph500toronto.com)

Facebook: [www.facebook.com/500yocTO](https://www.facebook.com/500yocTO)

and YouTube: <http://bit.ly/GiftedToGive>

His Eminence Thomas Cardinal Collins and His Excellency Archbishop Romulo Valles, President of the Catholic Bishops Conference of the Philippines, will deliver pre-recorded inspirational remarks. It was on March 16, 1521 when Christianity first came to the Philippines and from then on, the faith spread throughout the archipelago, making it the only predominantly Catholic nation in Asia. The faithful of the Archdiocese of Toronto are in unity with Filipino communities around the world as we celebrate this significant moment in the history of the Church in the Philippines.

For details, please visit:

[www.ph500toronto.com/events.html](http://www.ph500toronto.com/events.html)

or email [ph500@archtoronto.org](mailto:ph500@archtoronto.org). *Maraming salamat!*

**CANADIAN CONFERENCE OF  
CATHOLIC BISHOPS (CCCB)**

**Journey through Lent 2021**

Please join the CCCB in their latest video series regarding the Lenten season:

<https://www.cccb.ca/liturgy-sacraments/resources-in-english/liturgical-calendar/video-reflections/journey-through-lent/>