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Latin Masses & Devotions in March		Time	Celebrant
Friday, 1 st March	Privileged Votive Mass of the Sacred Heart of Jesus	9.00 a.m.	Fr. Domotor
Saturday, 2 nd March	Privileged Votive Mass of the Immaculate Heart of Mary	10.30 a.m.	
Sunday, 3 rd March	Quinquagesima (Shrove) Sunday;	12.00 p.m.	
Wednesday, 6 th Mar.	Ash Wednesday	10.30 a.m.	
Friday, 8 th March	Friday after Ash Wednesday + commem. St. John of God	9.00 a.m.	
Sunday, 10 th March	First Sunday of Lent	12.00 p.m.	
Friday, 15 th March	Ember Friday in Lent	9.00 a.m.	
Sunday, 17 th March	Second Sunday of Lent;	12.00 p.m.	
Tuesday, 19 th March	Solemn Feast of St. Joseph + commem. Privil. Lenten Feria	Cancelled	
Friday, 22 nd March	Ferial Mass of Lent	9.00 a.m.	
Sunday, 24 th March	Third Sunday of Lent	12.00 p.m.	
Monday, 25 th March	Feast of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Cancelled	
Friday, 29 th March	Ferial Mass of Lent;	9.00 a.m.	
Sunday, 31 st March	Fourth Sunday of Lent	12.00 p.m.	

PRAYER INTENTIONS:

For the sick and suffering (see also Parish Bulletin):		Miscellaneous Intentions:
Mr. Frank Domotor	Mrs. Agnes Berard	For our Priest, Bishop and the Holy Father. For vocations to the Priesthood and Consecrated Life. For persecuted Christians in the world
Mrs. Mary Lawson	Miss Lorna Cue	
Mrs. Christine Stornebrink		

NEWS

Pro-Life initiatives

1. Being or Becoming Pro-Life and Pro-Family

Sister Lucy of Fatima stated in a discussion with a Cardinal that the devil's final battle will be **against Marriage and Life**. Today, many years after Sr. Lucy pronounced those prophetic words, we witness their fulfilment all over the world.

Life and Family are under attack as never before, both from without and from within the Catholic Church. The abortion statistics are horrendous. The struggle to protect babies from murder by abortion has perdured for more than fifty years, with no end in sight. It seems completely hopeless at times. Fortunately, great and sometimes heroic efforts continue to be made by many people all over the world. Here, in Canada, some well-known examples of such heroism are realised in the work of Miss Mary Wagner and Fr. Tony Hees, who have risked much and have endured great personal suffering for this critical cause.

In more recent years the Family has also come under heavy attack by libertine activists and politicians who advance proposals which are offensive to God's commandments about Marriage and the purpose of life as found in the **true teachings** of our Holy Catholic faith. Dictatorial measures have been legislated against those who try to defend the sanctity of Life and the integrity of a **normal** Family, which consists of, by definition, no more than one father and no more than one mother and, *deo volente*, at least one child.

2. The '40 Days for Life' Campaign (Vigil)

We received the following email about this vigil. (Emphasis added by us)

Its Glenda Wilmot, Leader for our spring vigil! I am emailing to welcome you all back to our **40 Days Vigil** in Victoria! The vigil runs from **march 6th to April 14**. I welcome our returning volunteers and any new volunteers. We had a gap in our vigil last fall so some of us are putting great energy into this spring vigil and I have been busy investigating the new bubble zone, getting maps and literature ready for this new vigil; had the joy of praying at the abortion site area in January and February with Sister Immolatia and Mary Wagner! I have reserved a room for **training at Our Lady of The Rosary** this Saturday the 23rd from 3 pm to 5pm to 5 pm and **Saturday March 2 from 3 to 5 pm**. I will go over the new bubble zone and legislation with you. Mary Wagner has created a beautiful reading for us and we turned it into a lovely flyer that you may take home. I have info cards and posters and maps for you. Please come out and learn what is new here in Victoria!! If you cannot stand with us this year please encourage as many new people as you can to attend the vigil and help them register! bring flyers back to your

church and maybe see if you can put our vigil on your church prayer list. There are many ways to help us be successful in saving pre-born human life!! Your prayers are an important part of our vigil so pray every day for all of us and for the babies and families affected by abortion!! We will keep you informed and feel free to contact me anytime! the meeting is in the small hall! See you there on Saturday for training!! Thank you, Glenda Wilmot.

We encourage our members to offer up some of their time this Lent praying at this vigil which take place from Ash Wednesday, 6th March until Palm Sunday, 14th April.

For further information you may contact Mrs. Wilmot directly. Here is her email address and phone number: gandhwilmot@gmail.com and 250-661-2613.

3. Prepare to vote Pro-Life and Pro-Family.

This autumn, a national election will be held in Canada and we all have a duty to use that occasion to advance the protection of human life, from conception to a natural death; and likewise, likewise the protection of the family as the union of one man and one woman until death of one spouse. That is as God demands it and as the Church has perennially taught us to believe it. It follows that we have a duty to vote in a way that upholds God's laws especially where present human ordinances conflict with God's laws. At the end of our life we shall be judged according to what we did and what we failed to do. We have to do all that we can to uphold God's laws so that we may hear those marvelous words from our Lord, Jesus Christ, **"Well done, good and faithful servant, because thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will place thee over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord."**

What can we do if all political parties support abortion, with or without some restrictions, and support living arrangements other than enjoined by Holy Church? How should we vote? Should we not vote at all? Are there no real acceptable choices? What are we to do? Form a new party supporting Life and Family according to the Catholic faith? It is doubtful that any member in our community is in a position to give that idea a start. It requires time, money and a strong commitment to persevere until successful. In addition, one needs a lot of stamina and persuasive speaking ability; and one must be well informed about current political issues, Catholic teachings on faith, morals and the Church's social teachings. If these and other abilities may not often be found in a single person, such goals can still be realised with the help of others.

A better approach may be to vote for a party that already supports Family and Life as derived by solid Christian principles. There is at least one party in Canada that has these and other excellent policies on its platform. It is called the *Christian Heritage Party*. Mr. Peter Stornebrink can give you more information about it.

LITURGY

We regret that Latin Mass on the feastdays of St. Joseph, (19th March) and of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary (25th March) will not be celebrated this year, as the second falls on a Monday, Father's day off, and the morning of the first is occupied at the critical time by an Adoration that starts at 10.00 a.m.

THE ATTRACTIONS OF THE TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS (TLM)

For various reasons people keep migrating from the familiar *Novus Ordo* Mass (or New Mass), to the Traditional Latin Mass. In a TLM, one enters into an environment of reverent beauty; one of respectful silence; where prayers are offered by the priest and ministers in Church Latin, and followed by the faithful in sacral English translations; and wherein Masses are sung in Gregorian Chant and Sacred Polyphony, which is uniquely suited to true worshipping of God in the sacred Mystery of the Liturgical offering. At the end of the Mass of the Ages one feels an inner peacet, a satisfaction, about having happily fulfilled one's Sunday obligation to God. For, Sunday is the 'Day of the Lord' on which Christ renewed the world by His glorious Resurrection. It is the day which ought to be spent in fervent prayers on which one should rest from all but essential labour. The degree to which the Sunday Mass can fulfil the craving of one's heart may differ. However, there can be little doubt that the more one enters into the spirit of the Liturgy, and the better one understands the meaning of the Mass, the more one will benefit from the Latin Mass and receive its spiritual fruits. The reason why the *Novus Ordo* Mass mostly fails to elicit that kind of satisfaction is well illustrated by the following short story from the 'Traditional Latin Mass Discussion Forum' a Facebook group.

"My wife and I are both converts to the Roman Catholic faith. Me first, then she after we met, before we married. I was drawn to the beauty, the holiness, the majesty and mystery of the mass and of the faith, all so very different from the Protestant worship I was accustomed to. It simply "felt right". However, as the years have passed, I've sat in the pews and in meetings and felt more and more like I was back in a Protestant church. No silence before and after mass because 'socialization is important to our church family". Guitar music because it "makes the mass more cheerful and accessible". No incense because it bothers some people's allergies. And even I, who play the organ, was told by the priest that my playing "sounds too much like a funeral". In meetings, "gimmicks" are discussed to bring people in to the Church. We're troubled. Yesterday (Sunday) was filled with terrible guitar strumming and a homily comparing illegal immigration to abortion as a humanitarian crisis (which turned my stomach). I told my wife I'd had about all I could stand. We've attended Latin Mass at another parish a few times and enjoyed it, but always came back to our home parish and our friends. From my position on pastoral council, I've tried to ask for some return to traditions, all met with massive resistance. And it continues to become increasingly clear the insults to the Holy Eucharist...common men and women allowed to distribute Christ's precious body? Guitar strumming in the presence of our Lord? My wife is increasingly open to switching totally to TLM which is offered weekly at another parish, but we know we'll miss our friends at our home parish terribly. Our faith seems more important. Any advice, resources, and most of all prayers, are appreciated!"