ST. ANDREW CATHOLIC CHURCH, WELLAND
First Sunday of Lent – March 9, 2025

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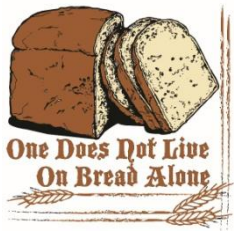
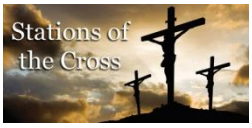
Mass Schedule & Intentions: March 8 – March 16, 2025

SATURDAY March 8th - 5:00 pm
Frank Sdao by Franca Sdao
Gino Ventresca by Maria Fazzalari



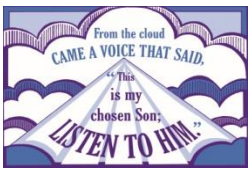
SUNDAY March 9th - 9:00am
Michael Angelo Mammoliti by Grandchildren
Antonino Giovinazzo by Family
Samuel Olowu by Henry Oke Olowu
11:00am - for all your intentions

TUESDAY March 11th - 5:00pm Mass& Adoration
Theresa Horvat by Maria Fazzalari
WEDNESDAY March 12th - 9:00am
Corbin Le Clerc by David Fox
THURSDAY March 13th - 5:00pm - Mass & Adoration
In Honour of St. Anthony by Teresa Angi



FRIDAY March 14th - 9:35am
Claire Coaxley by David Fox
6:30pm – *Stations of the Cross*

SATURDAY March 15th - 5:00pm
Vincenzo Fazzalari by Maria Fazzalari
Leonard Pilon by Leonard & Irene Aubertin



SUNDAY March 16th - 9:00am
Carlo, Nicola & Nicolina Nero by Rose Pacilli
Caterina Mammoliti by Maria Fazzalari
11:00am - for all your intentions

Sacrament of Penance
Saturday April 5, 2025
10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

The Diocese of St. Catharines invites all Catholics to celebrate the ***Sacrament of Penance.*** In every parish across the diocese, a priest will be available to hear individual confessions. No matter how long it has been, you are welcome to celebrate this wonderful sacrament of reconciliation and healing. For a list of parishes in the diocese go to: www.saintcd.com

We recently lost one of our loved ones: **Matilda Guzzi (98)** passed away on **March 2nd** and we had a Funeral Mass for her on **March 7th.** May God grant eternal rest to Matilda and console the bereaving family.

In Christ we suffered temptation, and in him we overcame the Devil
St. Augustine

Hear, O God, my petition, listen to my prayer. Who is speaking? An individual, it seems. See if it is an individual: *I cried out to you from the ends of the earth while my heart was in anguish.* Now it is no longer one person; rather, it is one in the sense that Christ is one, and we are all his members. What single individual can cry from the ends of the earth?

The one who cries from the ends of the earth is none other than the Son's inheritance. It was said to him: *Ask of me, and I shall give you the nations as your inheritance, and the ends of the earth as your possession.* This possession of Christ, this inheritance of Christ, this body of Christ, this one Church of Christ, this unity that we are, cries from the ends of the earth. What does it cry? What I said before: *Hear, O God, my petition, listen to my prayer; I cried out to you from the ends of the earth.*' That is, I made this cry to you *from the ends of the earth;* that is, on all sides.

Why did I make this cry? *While my heart was in anguish.* The speaker shows that he is present among all the nations of the earth in a condition, not of exalted glory but of severe trial.

Our pilgrimage on earth cannot be exempt from trial. We progress by means of trial. No one knows himself except through trial, or receives a crown except after victory, or strives except against an enemy or temptations.

The one who cries from the ends of the earth is in anguish, but is not left on his own. Christ chose to foreshadow us, who are his body, by means of his body, in which he has died, risen and ascended into heaven, so that the members of his body may ***hope*** to follow where their head has gone before.

He made us one with him when he chose to be tempted by Satan. We have heard in the gospel how the Lord Jesus Christ was tempted by the devil in the wilderness. Certainly Christ was tempted by the devil. In Christ you were tempted, for Christ received his flesh from your nature, but by his own power gained salvation for you; he suffered death in your nature, but by his own power gained glory for you; therefore, he suffered temptation in your nature, but by his own power gained victory for you.

If in Christ we have been tempted, in him we overcome the devil. Do you think only of Christ's temptations and fail to think of his victory? See yourself as tempted in him, and see yourself as victorious in him. He could have kept the devil from himself; but if he were not tempted he could not teach you how to triumph over temptation.

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