



*Saint Catherine of Siena Parish  
"Home of the Franciscans of Halifax"*

*3rd Sunday of Lent  
March 4, 2018*

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**Daily Mass Intentions**

**St. Theresa's**

Tues. March 6	9:00am	Maria & Giuseppe Santilli †
Wed. March 7	9:00am	The Sampson Family †
Thurs. March 8	9:00am	All the intentions in the book
Fri. March 9	9:00am	Cesare Taraschi †

**St. Catherine's**

Sat. March 10 9:00am Lucien Bianchini†



**Washing of the Feet**  
**Volunteers Needed**

As part of the Holy Thursday celebration, twelve people are needed for the Washing of the Feet. Would those parishioners willing to participate, please call the Parish Office or email:

[news@saintcatherineofsiena.ca](mailto:news@saintcatherineofsiena.ca)

**Donations for**  
**Easter Flowers**

We are accepting donations for the purchase of Easter flowers. If you wish to make a donation or a donation in memory of a loved one, please mark your name, contact information and envelope number on a plain, white envelope and place it in the regular collection. We will be pleased to acknowledge these remembrances.



**Liturgy**



**Every Friday during Lent** (except Good Friday), Mass will be celebrated at 12:00 noon at St. Catherine's (March 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>.)

**Franciscan Lenten Holy Hour Series** – The Franciscan Choir is hosting a series of Holy Hours every Tuesday during Lent. The gathering includes an hour of prayer before the Blessed Sacrament, sung vespers, and other sacred song. The dates are Tuesdays, March 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>, from 7:00-8:00 pm. All are welcome!

**Religious Education**



Congratulations to Adele, Isla, Kallum, Konrad, Lauren and Ziva, who celebrated the **Sacrament of First Penance** last Sunday. May they grow in their love and knowledge of the Lord as they continue their journey toward celebrating the

Sacrament of First Communion!

Next Sunday, March 11<sup>th</sup>, a **Children's Liturgy** will be celebrated during the 11:00 am Mass.

**Weekday Mass Times:**

Tuesday–Friday 9:00am at St. Theresa's  
Saturday 9:00am at St. Catherine's

**Weekend Mass Times**

Sunday 11:00 am and  
7:00 pm (Rosary at 6:30 pm)

**Confessions at St. Catherine's:**

Saturday following the 9:00am Mass

**Lectio Divina:** Thursday–7:00 pm–8:00pm  
(Rectory Chapel–side door)

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

Monday–Friday 9:30 am–4:30 pm  
in St. Theresa's Chapel

## Parish News



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Your Pastoral Council is monitoring the proposal by the city's Transportation Committee to widen and redesign Bayers Road to create two dedicated bus lanes. This proposal would eliminate parking on

both sides of Bayers Road which would be detrimental to our community, the local residents and local businesses.

A letter was sent this week to Counsellor Shawn Clearly (copied to the Mayor and all Councillors) expressing our concern over this potential change. The letter stated our position that it does not seem reasonable to restrict parking and have a dedicated bus lane for 24 hours a day, seven days a week when the times of concern are so concentrated (7:00-9:00 am inbound, 4:00-6:00 pm outbound). We recognized, with interest, that the Gottingen Street plan has already been modified by the Transportation Standing Committee to restricted periods of time after opposition from the Gottingen Street business community. These restrictions are similar to what is already in place now on Bayers Road. We asked that the same accommodation be given to Bayers Road as was given to residents on Gottingen Street. We will keep you posted.

## St. Catherine of Siena's



Saturday, April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2018  
10:00 am – 1:00 pm

### PRIZES! PRIZES! PRIZES!

We are now in the process of gathering prizes for the games at the Fair. Any donations can be deposited in the box at the back of the Church. All contributions are very much appreciated. Thank you.



Ellen O'Reilly, a tax volunteer with the CVITP and a member of Saint Catherine of Siena Parish, is offering a free income tax service to people with a low income threshold to members of both Saint Theresa's and Saint Catherine's Parish.

If you would like to have your taxes done by Ellen, call her at home (902-454-0958) to book an appointment.

## Diocesan News

**Notice about the Headstones at the Gate of Heaven and Mount Olivet Cemeteries**—This winter, many headstones in **Gate of Heaven** and **Mount Olivet** cemeteries have fallen over as the result of the terrible weather that has included strong winds and the freezing and thawing of the ground surrounding the headstones. Cemetery staff will begin the work of standing the headstones back up and secure them to their bases when the ground settles and become more stable. Recently family members have arrived at the cemeteries and have attempted to correct the fallen headstone of their loved one's grave.

We ask that visitors refrain from attempting to lift fallen stones and remind people that family and friends are not permitted to correct the stones due to safety reason. This work will be completed by our staff when spring arrives.



Questions and concerns about headstones at our Catholic Cemeteries can be directed to: Cathy Driscoll-Cainen at (902) 429-9800 ext. 308.

## Halifax Peninsula Region

During this Lenten Season, parishes of the Halifax Peninsula will celebrate Penitential Services and individual Confessions jointly at the following churches:

### St. Mary's Cathedral Basilica

Every Wednesday, 6:00 pm – 7:00pm  
Every Friday, 11:00 am - 12:00pm  
Every Saturday, 2:30 pm - 3:30 pm

### St. Agnes:

All Day Confessions & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Thursday, March 15<sup>th</sup>, 10:00am - 3:00pm

### St. Mother Teresa of Kolkata:

Every First Friday - Confessions & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 7:00 - 8:30 pm  
Every Saturday, 3:15 pm - 3:45 pm

## C.W.L. News



### CHOWDER

### CHOWDER LUNCHEON

- Will take place in St. Catherine's Church Hall following 12:00 noon Mass each Friday during Lent (except Good Friday). Fish or Corn

Chowder, along with a tea biscuit and dessert will be served. Price is \$8.00. See you on Friday!

## Stewardship—A Way of Life

