

February 3, 2019

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Sun.,	Feb. 3 <sup>rd</sup>	1:00 pm	Grief Support Group begins <i>(in Rectory Mtg. Room)</i>
Tue.,	Feb. 5 <sup>th</sup>	6:00 pm	R.C.I.A. <i>(in Rectory Meeting Room)</i>
		7:00 pm	South Ward C.W.L. Mass /Meeting <i>(at St. Peter's)</i>
Wed.,	Feb. 6 <sup>th</sup>	7:00 pm	10:30 am Mass - Choir rehearsal
Thur.,	Feb. 7 <sup>th</sup>	6:00 pm	8:30 am Mass - Choir rehearsal
Sat.,	Feb. 9 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 am	Men Prayer Group Mtg. <i>(at Corpus Christi Church)</i>



St. Blaise.  
(February 3)



Bishop Colli's  
Schedule  
Feb. 2-17  
Away  
from the Diocese



**IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO REGISTER FOR  
FIRST COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION!**



First Communion Sunday:  
May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2019: 10:30 am Mass  
Confirmation Sunday:  
June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019: 10:30 am Mass

Registration Forms for these  
Sacraments are available:

- ◆ Online at:  
[www.stpatrickscathedral.ca](http://www.stpatrickscathedral.ca)
- ◆ From our Office (622-5389)



**THANK-YOU LETTER FROM SHELTER HOUSE**  
*(Our Thanks to: Operation Shoe Box!)*

Our Parish received this appreciation letter in the mail this past week:

*Dear Monsignor,  
We would like to extend our deepest thanks to you and to your congregation for the donation of nearly 100 boxes of gifts for our youth on Christmas Day. ... Please extend our gratitude to your flock. I'm so grateful for your generosity.*

*Michelle Jordan, Executive Director, Shelter House.*



South-Side Joint  
Catholic Women's League  
Meeting



**Defibrillator  
REFRESHER  
TRAINING**

Our Cathedral Parish will again be offering a free one-hour information session on C.P.R. and the use of the defibrillator on Thursday, February 7<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. in the Rectory Meeting Room. To register for it, contact the Parish Office at 622-5389.

Catholic Women's League  
MEMBERSHIP WEEKEND



Mary Rabachuk, Marie Vanderwey, Joan Joubert and Mary-Ann Gill were four of the many C.W.L. members who ministered at all our Parish Masses last weekend. Thanks to all!

DATE: Tuesday, February 5<sup>th</sup>  
PLACE: St. Peter's Church  
Mass is at 7:00 pm, followed by a gathering, entertainment and time for fellowship. Please bring travel size personal hygiene items for gift baskets *(for Grace Place)*, along with a pair of scissors and plastic grocery bags to assist with the sleeping mat project.



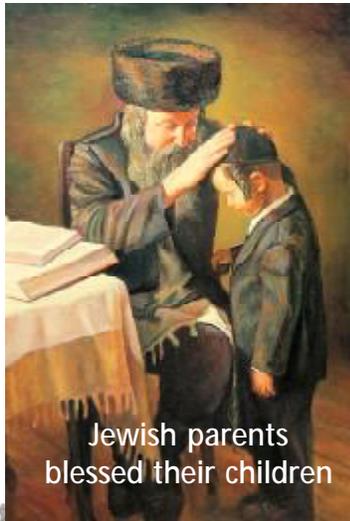
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# YOU WERE ASKING by Msgr. P. Stilla

**Q.** Why are people and articles of prayer and devotion blessed?

**A.** Many Christian and Catholic practices have their origins in the Jewish Faith because Jesus was Jewish. Blessings, especially of persons, is one such practice. In Judaism In the Bible's Book of Numbers (6:22-27), the Jewish Priests were commanded to bless "the Children of Israel". This blessing symbolized the entrusting of the care and well-being of the people to Yahweh, the Lord. It was also a custom among Jewish parents to bless their sons and daughters on many occasions for the same reason.



Jewish parents blessed their children



In Christianity Like the priests of old, Catholic Bishops and Priests and Pastors of other Christian denominations place the "children" of their Parish Families under the protection of God by blessing them at the conclusion of every Mass or Prayer Service.

Likewise, by blessing a sacred object the clergy-

m a n w h o b l e s s e s i t d e d i c a t e s i t s u s e t o t h e s e r v i c e o f G o d .

The blessed object is then called a "Sacramental" because it is to be used to facilitate our personal prayer and deepen our relationship with God.

**Q.** How does one discard old blessed palms and other Sacramentals that are damaged and can no longer be used for prayer?

**A.** When blessed objects (rosaries, medals, statues, Bibles, prayer book, etc.) break or are so damaged that they can no longer be used for prayer and devotion, they should be discarded by either burying them in the ground or by burning them.



Burning the Blessed Palms Like other sacramentals, used

b l e s s e d p a l m s s h o u l d a l s o b e b u r n e d . H o w e v e r , t h e s e a s h e s a r e n o t b u r i e d b u t u s e d f o r t h e A s h W e d n e s d a y M a s s e s . M o s t P a r i s h e s i n c l u d i n g o u r ' s c o l l e c t a n d b u r n t h e m f o r t h i s e a c h y e a r .



## Catholic Women's League

**Annual Phantom Bake Sale**  
What is better than a bakeless bake sale? As in previous years, place what you would have spent to bake that yummy cake or delicious cookies or muffins in a marked envelope (*found at Church entrances during the month of February*) and place it in the collection basket. The donations will go towards our Community projects.

### 80 YEARS OF SERVICE!

It is difficult to imagine but our Cathedral C.W.L. is celebrating its 80th anniversary on February 24<sup>th</sup>! For the weekends of February 9/10 & 16/17, sheets of paper and pens will be located at each entrance to the Church. Members will be asked to complete the following statement and place it in a designated basket. The statement is: 'I joined the League because...'. All the completed sheets will be used as part of our display. More information to follow in future Bulletins.

### Membership Cards

These are available at the main doors of the Cathedral.

*The Annual 2019 C.W.L.*

*Membership Fee is \$25.*



## Men's Bible Group

*Next Meeting:*

*February 9<sup>th</sup>*

*8 am to 9:30 am*

at Corpus Christi Church

For more information, call: Doug McClure (708-4143).