

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time~Year C

Diocesan Theme: THE FAMILY: HOME OF LOVE, MERCY AND JOY.

"The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace..."(Galatians 5.22)

Parish Mission Statement: "LOVE GOD, LOVE OTHERS, MAKE DISCIPLES"

Mass Intentions

Saturday, September 24th

4:30 pm For the intentions of the parishioners by the pastor

Sunday, September 25th ~Twenty-Sixth Sunday in ordinary time

9:00 am For the repose of the soul of Janet Brown by the Cogan family

10:45 am For the repose of the soul of Stephanie Kiskis by James Kiskis and family

Tuesday, September 27th ~St. Vincent De Paul

7:00 pm

Wednesday, September 28th at OLMM

9:00 am For the repose of the soul of Arturo Nuesca Lopez by the Dupuis family

Thursday, September 29th ~St. Michael, St. Gabriel, St. Raphael

9:00 am

Friday, September 30th ~St. Jerome

9:00 am For the intentions of Mary Anne Brown by Melanie Moore

Saturday, October 1st ~St. Therese of the Child Jesus

4:30 pm For the repose of the soul of Bill Melenhorst by the CWL

Sunday, October 2nd ~Twenty-Seventh Sunday in ordinary time

9:00 am For the intentions of Mary and Ian Cogan on their 60th wedding anniversary

10:45 am For the intentions of the parishioners by the pastor

YOUR OFFERINGS FOR

Sept. 18th, 2016~\$3,318.00

Thank you for your generosity and support

INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER FOR SEPTEMBER:

That each may contribute to the common good and to the building of a society that places the human person at the center. That by participating in the Sacraments and meditating on Scripture, Christians may become more aware of their mission to evangelize.

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Email: admin@olmm.ca

Pastor's Corner

Today, Jesus speaks to our hearts. We ought to listen to Him and take Him seriously!

Rich, Yet Very Poor

In material terms, the rich man in today's gospel was very rich and comfortable. He dressed lavishly and feasted sumptuously. He had servants who waited on him hand and foot. But in actual fact, he was very poor, desperately poor! He lacked one thing: he had no heart! He was not rich enough to share his wealth with the beggar at his gate. And that is basically why he was condemned to hell - not because he was rich but because of his apathy and indifference. For him Lazarus does not exist. This parable should make us think!

"God Is My Help"

The poor man, Lazarus, whose name in Hebrew means "God is my Help" represents the poor in our society who are helpless and often neglected and marginalized but whose trust and hope are in the Lord God! Similarly, Dives-types (his five brothers) continue to roam the earth "looking on the world's misery but not feeling it, and seeing fellow human beings in pain without involvement." Can innocence become a crime? The rich man did nothing to Lazarus, but he was not innocent!

Gifts and Services Campaign

This weekend is our parish's gifts and services campaign. Volunteering is one of the great ways of getting involved in the life of our parish and more so a way of saying 'thank you' to God for the gifts of time, talents and abilities that He has given us. There is need for volunteers in all areas of our parish life. Please consider signing up in one or more of the different ministries in our parish as a way of contributing to the growth of the body of Christ.

Life Chain

There will be an hour of prayer for the respect for life next Sunday, Oct. 2nd from 2:00 – 3:00 pm. I invite you to join me in standing at the corner of Concession and Castor streets for an hour of silent prayer and witness. May the Lord bless you as you come!

Peace to all!

Fr. Paul

September 25th, 2016

**Are you new to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Parish?
WELCOME! If you have not yet registered, please complete a registration
form found in the foyer or in the office.**

You may bring the completed form to the office or drop it in the collection basket.



THIS WEEK AT OUR LADY'S

Mon. Sept. 26th ~Rosary making group
~7:00 -9:00 pm in the hall
Tues. Sept. 27th ~ Adult choir~7:30~church
Tues. Sept. 27th ~ RCIA~6:30-9:30pm~kitchen
Tues. Sept. 27th ~ NET retreat~8:30-2:00pm~hall
and church
Thurs. Sept 29th~ NET retreat~8:30-2:00pm~hall
and church

OLMM Mercy in Action

September – Counsel the Doubtful

Pray: Lord, give me your wisdom so that I can speak words of comfort and courage to those in doubt and despair. Let me be your instrument of love, encouragement, strength, and hope. Amen.

Take Action:

- Reflect on who around you is in doubt or despair and share your experience of God's presence and power in your life.
- Work at being optimistic and avoiding cynicism; respond to cynicism, skepticism, and doubt with hope.
- Pray that people would have faith and trust in God.
- Encourage someone in crisis to talk to an expert like a priest or a counsellor.
- Pray for those who are struggling with mental health issue such as depression or suicide.
- Become an advocate for increased mental health funding in Canada through the *Canadian Mental Health Association*.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY: Renewal of marriage vows will take place on Saturday, October 8th at the 4:30 pm mass for couples whose anniversary this year is a multiple of 5 - 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50 etc. If this is a special anniversary year for you and you would like to participate, please contact the parish office at 613-445-3054 to register by September 30th.

BAPTIZED IN THE HOLY SPIRIT



**Welcome to the family of God:
Jacob Henry Gillard
Lance Mark Schaus**

OLMM Spiritual Library Are you looking for spiritual reading or DVDs on "Mercy"? The OLMM Spiritual Library has books and DVDs for adults and children on 'Mercy'. Check out the list posted near the Spiritual Library in the church hall.

We are excited to offer Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) for a second year in a new location. It is a Christian Ministry for children based on the Bible and liturgy of the church. It is inspired by the principles of the Montessori education. We have 4 spots left on Saturday mornings at 8am for Level 1 children (3-5 years old). Diane Garvin and Noreen Plant are the Catechists for this session. If you are interested, please contact OLMM parish office for a registration form. The Saturday morning session began on September 24th, however we will be welcoming new children on Saturday Oct. 1st.

Bring the children to me Jesus has said, starting the first Sunday of October and every first Sunday of the month to follow, the 9 am mass will be a Children's mass. This means children participating in the reading of The Word (Grade 6 confirmation class); bringing up the gifts (Grade 1 and up); greeting at the Church doors (any age – younger children require parent participation); performing collection (Grade 4 and up); handing out bulletins (Grade 2 and up); and joining in the final song with youthful joy (all ages). Father Paul will also give a homily geared to the children's level of understanding. Starting this week we will have sign-up sheets, at the side entrance to Church, for the different duties. Please remember not everyone will be able to participate in the first mass but we will ensure all children who have signed up will get a chance during the year. Questions please call Brenda Sliva at 613-443-9469.

~IN OUR PRAYERS~

For the sick among our families and friends especially:
Margaret Robertson, Eleanor Kelly,
Alyssa Gauthier, Addie Pittman,
Marthe Lepine and Lorraine Small.