



Third Sunday in Ordinary Time-Year C

Diocesan Theme: **Christ is Everything for Us!** "Let us work for the good of all, and especially for the family of the faith" (Galatians 6.10b).

Parish Mission Statement: **Love God, Love Others, Make Disciples!** Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal parish through the liturgy, faith formation and sacramental life, provides opportunities for members to develop their faith and service to others.



Saturday, Jan. 26-St. Timothy and St. Titus

4:30 pm-For the intentions of Anne Nyentap on the occasion of her 90th birthday by the CWL members

Sunday, Jan. 27-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am-For the repose of the soul of Mary Payment by the CWL members

10:45 am- For the intentions of the Parishioners by the Pastor

Tuesday, Jan. 29

7:00 pm-For the intentions of the Lehman family by the James family

Wednesday, Jan. 30

8:30 am-STA- For the repose of the soul of Marie Richards, by the staff and students of STA.

9:30 am-OLMM

Thursday, Jan. 31-St. John Bosco

9:00 am

Friday, Feb. 1

9:00 am- For the repose of the souls of George Hendley, family members and friends

Saturday, Feb. 2-The Presentation of the Lord

4:30 pm-For the repose of the soul of Peter Verlinden by the Lommen family

Sunday, Feb. 3-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am- For the repose of the soul Bradley Norton by the Cogan family

10:45 am- For the intentions of the Parishioners by the Pastor

YOUR OFFERINGS FOR:

January 20th, -\$ 2,579.00

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INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER FOR JANUARY:

Evangelization: Young People and the Example of Mary
That young people, especially in Latin America, follow the example of Mary and respond to the call of the Lord to communicate the joy of the Gospel to the world.

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Gospel Reflection

Before beginning to tell about Jesus' activities, Luke wants to make clear to his readers the force that drives the Prophet of Galilee and the goals He follows. Christians need to know in what direction God's Spirit pushes Jesus, since following Him is precisely walking in the same direction as He did.

Luke describes minutely what Jesus does in the synagogue of His village: He stands up, takes the holy book, looks Himself for a passage from Isaiah, reads the text, closes the book, returns it and sits down. Everyone has to listen attentively to the words chosen by Jesus, since they put forth the task for which He feels sent by God. He doesn't speak about organizing a perfect religion or a more worthy worship, but about communicating liberation, hope, light and grace for the poorest and most unfortunate. This is what He reads: 'The spirit of the Lord is on me, for He has anointed me to bring the good news to the afflicted. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives, sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim a year of favour from the Lord'. When He finishes, He tells them: 'This text is being fulfilled today even while you are listening'.

God's Spirit is in Jesus, sending Him to the poor, directing His whole life toward those most in need, most oppressed, most humiliated. We His followers need to work in this same direction. This is the orientation that God, incarnate in Jesus, wants to impress on human history. The last should be first in knowing a life that is more worthy, more free, more happy, the life that God want for all God's sons and daughters from now on.

The 'option for the poor' isn't something invented by twentieth century theologians, nor is it just something fashionable starting at Vatican II. It is the option of God's Spirit that breathes through Jesus' whole life, and that we His followers need to introduce into human history. It's not possible to live and announce Jesus Christ if we don't do it from the defense of the least and in solidarity with those who are excluded. If what we do and proclaim from within the Church of Jesus isn't understood as something good and liberating by those who most suffer, what Gospel are we preaching? What Jesus are we following? What spirituality are we promoting? To say it clearly: what impression do we have of today's Church? Are we walking in the same direction as Jesus did?

Blessings!

Have a great week.

January 27th, 2019

**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**

What's Happening This Week

Mon. Jan. 28 -Bible Study-7:00pm-hall
Tues. Jan. 29 - CGS-Level three-4:30-6:30pm-hall
Tues. Jan. 29-Adult choir-7:30-church

**First Friday Adoration~ Friday, February 1st 4:00
pm to Saturday, February 2nd, 4:00pm.**

From February 2 to February 17 there will be a box in the foyer for parishioners to drop off their blessed palms from last year. The palms will be burnt for ashes for Ash Wednesday.

VISITS TO THE SICK: Please let us know when a member is ill or elderly, or in the hospital or facing surgery. If possible please do not wait until it becomes an emergency, when a visit and prayer and perhaps the administration of the Sacrament of the Sick may be appropriate and helpful, so that we can do our best to attend to the people in need.

Diocesan Celebration of Consecrated Life:

Archbishop Terrence Prendergast SJ invites all members of religious communities and consecrated persons, all members of the clergy and the faithful of the Archdiocese to a Mass at Saint-François-d' Assise (20 Fairmont Avenue, Ottawa) on Sat., Feb. 2, 11:00 a.m. followed by a reception in the parish hall.

World Youth Day: A delegation of 58 pilgrims from the Archdiocese of Ottawa is preparing to leave for World Youth Day 2019 in Panama, January 22-27. This may be one of the largest World Youth Days on record! Please keep Archbishop Prendergast and our pilgrims in your prayers.

IN OUR PRAYERS

For the sick among our families and friends
especially:
Pam Latour, Genny Detillieux, Melanie Joanette,
Marie Kirkman & Natasha Baechler

There will be a very special mass for the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, on Saturday, Feb. 2, at 10:00 am. Please bring your baptismal candle or any other everyday candle and meet in the hall for a blessing of the candles then process up to the church.

Feast of St. Agatha (In Latin means good) will be celebrated on Tues. Feb 5th at the 7:00 pm Mass with the Blessing of the bread. Please bring a loaf of bread to be blessed and then taken home to share with your family. The bread is a symbol of St. Agatha's goodness and hard work. St. Agatha is the patron Saint who protects us and our homes from fire. When family's gather in the center of the home around a fireplace, St Agatha will be there to protect them. She also makes it easier for us when family members are away from home.

A Healing Mass with the Sacrament of anointing will take place on Sat. Feb. 9 at 10:00 am preceded by the rosary at 9:30.

Choosing École élémentaire catholique Saint-Joseph to provide your child with a bilingual education!

École Saint-Joseph is the only French school in Russell. Children, whose mother tongue is not French, will be taught exclusively in French but will participate in a program using the Accelerated Integrated Method (AIM). It prepares the student with efficient tools to help him/her learn the French language and to apply that knowledge in the regular classroom setting and to improve on oral communication skills. If your child is of the required age (will be 4 years old by December 31, 2018), please contact École Saint-Joseph at (613) 445-2947 as soon as possible to register him/her in the full time Jr. Kindergarten.

Parents are invited to attend with their child one of our registration session. Looking forward to welcoming you at our school!

Thursday, January 31st, 2019, 7pm
Friday, February 1st, 2019, 9 am

Thank you for contacting our school's main office to confirm your presence and the name of your child.