

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time-Twenty-Second in Ordinary Time-Year B

Diocesan Theme: **Christ is Everything for Us!** "Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life".
(John 6.68).

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.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, July 31-St. Ignatius

4:30pm-For all souls in purgatory

Sunday, August 1-Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00am- For the intentions of the Parishioners by the Pastor

10:45am- For the intentions of the Pugliese family by Gerry and Pat Redsell

Tuesday, August 3

7:00pm-mass cancelled

Wednesday August 4-St. Jean-Marie Vianney

9:30am- mass cancelled

Thursday, August 5

9:00am- mass cancelled

Friday, August 6-The Transfiguration Of The Lord

9:00am- mass cancelled

Saturday, August 7

4:30pm- For the repose of the soul of Marty Chesser by the CWL members

Sunday, August 8 -Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00am- For the intentions of the Parishioners by the Pastor

10:45am-For the repose of the soul of Albert Carter Jr. by Gerry and Pat Redsell

Tuesday, August 10-St Lawrence

7:00pm-For the repose of the soul of Orlino Acosta by the Dupuis family

Wednesday, August 11- St. Clare

9:30am-

Thursday, August 12

9:00am- For the healing intentions of Brent and Diane Bailey by the Gambell family

Friday, August 13

9:00am-For the healing intentions of Joan Chesser by the CWL members

Saturday, August 14-St. Maximilian Kolbe

4:30pm- In thanksgiving to Christ for Miled and Samir Nahri by Nellie Nahri

Sunday, August 15- The Assumption Of The Blessed Virgin Mary

9:00am- For the repose of the souls of all our deceased family members by Joyce and JP Vincelette

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

Tuesday, August 17

7:00pm- For the repose of the soul of Orlino Acosta by the Dupuis family

Wednesday, August 18

9:30am- For the repose of the soul of Brent Bailey by Cathy Gambell

Thursday, August 19

9:00am- In thanksgiving for all those who have been vaccinated by Cathy Gambell

Friday, August 20-St. Bernard

9:00am- For the intentions of Fr. Robert on his birthday by Nellie Nahri

Saturday, August 21-St. Pius X

4:30pm-For the repose of the souls of Bea and Tom Mascaro by the James family

Sunday, August 22-Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00am- For the intentions of the Parishioners by the Pastor

10:45am-For the intentions of the Kurs family by Gerry and Pat Redsell

Tuesday, August 24-St. Bartholomew

7:00pm- For the repose of the soul of Simone Sullivan by the James family

Wednesday, August 25

9:30am-For the intentions of Erica Linger by Cathy Gambell

Thursday, August 26

9:00am- For the healing intentions of Joan Chesser by Donna McKlusky

Friday, August 27-St. Monica

9:00am- For the repose of the soul of Marty Chesser by Donna McKlusky

Saturday, August 28-St. Augustine

4:30pm-For the repose of the souls of all deceased family members

Sunday, August 29-Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00am- For the repose the soul of Fred Miller by the Murphy family

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

Intentions of The Holy Father for August;

The Church

Let us pray for the Church, that she may receive from the Holy Spirit the grace and strength to reform herself in the light of the Gospel.

July 31- August 28, 2021 (revised)
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

Pope Francis' message for the first World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, which will be celebrated on Sunday 25 July on the theme 'I am with you always' (Mt 28:20).

Dear Grandfathers and Grandmothers, Dear Elderly Friends,

"I am with you always" (Mt 28:20): this is the promise the Lord made to his disciples before he ascended into heaven. They are the words that he repeats to you today, dear grandfathers and grandmothers, dear elderly friends. "I am with you always" are also the words that I, as Bishop of Rome and an elderly person like yourselves, would like to address to you on this first World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly. The whole Church is close to you - to us - and cares about you, loves you and does not want to leave you alone! I am well aware that this Message comes to you at a difficult time: the pandemic swept down on us like an unexpected and furious storm; it has been a time of trial for everyone, but especially for us elderly persons. Many of us fell ill, others died or experienced the death of spouses or loved ones, while others found themselves isolated and alone for long periods. The Lord is aware of all that we have been through in this time. He is close to those who felt isolated and alone, feelings that became more acute during the pandemic. Tradition has it that Saint Joachim, the grandfather of Jesus, felt estranged from those around him because he had no children; his life, like that of his wife Anne, was considered useless. So the Lord sent an angel to console him. While he mused sadly outside the city gates, a messenger from the Lord appeared to him and said, "Joachim, Joachim! The Lord has heard your insistent prayer". Giotto, in one of his celebrated frescoes, seems to set the scene at night, one of those many sleepless nights, filled with memories, worries and longings to which many of us have come to be accustomed. Even at the darkest moments, as in these months of pandemic, the Lord continues to send *angels* to console our loneliness and to remind us: "I am with you always". He says this to you, and he says it to me. That is the meaning of this Day, which I wanted to celebrate for the first time in this particular year, as a long period of isolation ends and social life slowly resumes. May every grandfather, every grandmother, every older person, especially those among us who are most alone, receive the visit of an *angel*!

At times those angels will have the face of our grandchildren, at others, the face of family members, lifelong friends or those we have come to know during these trying times, when we have learned how important hugs and visits are for each of us. How sad it makes me that in some places these are still not possible! The Lord, however, also sends us messengers through his words, which are always at hand. Let us try to read a page of the Gospel every day, to pray with the psalms, to read the prophets! We will be comforted by the Lord's faithfulness. With new possibilities, new ideas, new consolations, but always close to us. You know that the Lord is eternal; he never, ever goes into retirement. Even at the darkest moments, as in these months of pandemic, the Lord continues to send *angels* to console our loneliness and to remind us: "I am with you always".

Fr. Robert would like to express his sincere gratitude for the outpouring of love, messages, cards and gifts he received before his departure to Vancouver. He will miss each and everyone of you. Blessings to all

Fr. Anthony Nwaohiri Assigned as Administrator this summer

Father Anthony Nwaohiri, of the Diocese of Okigwe, Nigeria, will move from Divine Infant Parish Orleans to Our Lady of Miraculous Medals Russell. Father Anthony, originally from Nigeria, was ordained on July 24, 1993. He holds Bachelor's Degree in Philosophy and Theology, Post Graduate Diploma in Education and Master's Degree at St. Paul's University of Ottawa. Currently, he is writing his Doctorate Dissertation.

Fr. Anthony served as a Junior Seminary Rector and Parishes in Nigeria. He also served as parish administrator in Corner-brook and Labrador diocese in Newfoundland. He started serving the Archdiocese of Ottawa in 2014. Most recently as Associate Pastor at Divine Infant Parish. Father Anthony has intrinsic love for his priesthood and he is a friend to be trusted. He will be joining us on Saturday August 7.

Faith is a living and unshakable confidence, a belief in the grace of God so assured that a man would die a thousand deaths for its sake.

-Martin Luther