

Twenty-Seventh to Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year A

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 members to develop their faith and service to others.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, October 7th – Our Lady of the Rosary

4:30pm Repose of the soul of Christopher Plant by Pete and Cathy Gambell

Sunday, October 8th – 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00am Intentions of the parishioners by the Pastor

10:45am On the occasion of 30th wedding anniversary of Shannon and Gord Mulholland by the James family

Tuesday, October 10th

7:00pm CANCELLED

Wednesday, October 11th

9:30am CANCELLED

Thursday, October 12th

9:00am CANCELLED

Friday, October 13th

9:00am CANCELLED

Saturday, October 14th

4:30pm Repose of the soul of Sharon Daigle by Pete and Cathy Gambell

Sunday, October 15th – 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00am Intentions of the parishioners by the Pastor

10:45am Repose of the soul of Elizabeth Gravel by Dale and Lorraine Harper

Tuesday, October 17th – St. Ignatius of Antioch

7:00pm For Heather Saucier

Wednesday, October 18th – St. Luke

9:30am Intentions of the parishioners by the Pastor
Repose of the soul of Randy Klassen by Gail

10:45(RM) Klassen and family

Thursday, October 19th

9:00am CANCELLED

Friday, October 20th

9:00am Intentions and well-being of all seniors

Saturday, October 21st

4:30pm Repose of the soul of Lise Tessier by the Geerts family

Sunday, October 22nd – 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00am Intentions of the parishioners by the Pastor

10:45am Repose of the soul of Rob Burns Jr. by Robert Burns

Intentions of the Holy Father for October: For the Synod

We pray for the Church, that she may adopt listening and dialogue as a lifestyle at every level, and allow herself to be guided by the Holy Spirit towards the peripheries of the world.

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Jesus said to them, “Did you never read in the Scriptures: *The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; by the Lord has this been done, and it is wonderful in our eyes?* Therefore, I say to you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that will produce its fruit.” [Matthew 21:42-43](#)

The most amazing thing that has ever happened in this world is the death of the Son of God. It is amazing for many reasons. It's amazing that God the Father allowed His Son to be brutally murdered by evil men. It's amazing that the Son did not call upon the myriad of angels to stop His persecution. It's amazing that Jesus spoke words of forgiveness from the Cross as His own mother looked on. But perhaps the most amazing aspect about this event is that from it, the gift of eternal salvation was made possible.

Only God, in His inconceivable wisdom and power, could bring forth the greatest good from the greatest evil. Nothing could be more evil than the brutal murder of the Son of God. And nothing could be more glorious than the transformation of that heinous act into the definitive act of salvation for the human race. Jesus was “the stone rejected by the builders.” But that rejected Stone was used by the Father to “become the cornerstone” of the new life of grace to which we are called. The passage quoted above concludes the Parable of the Tenants, which outlines salvation history. The Father is the owner of the vineyard, which represents the people of Israel. The tenants were the religious leaders of the time who abused the prophets who were sent to gather the fruit of God's Kingdom. The son is the Son of God whom the leaders of Israel killed under the misconception that killing Jesus would guarantee the continuation of their power. However, the true result was that they suffered their own destruction, and the murdered Son became the cornerstone of the Church and the source of new life.

Today, you are among the people to whom God has given charge of His new Vineyard, the Church. Of you, God demands an abundance of good fruit. Though the Church is entrusted to the pope, bishops and priests in a special way, it is also entrusted to the laity, each in their own way. Everyone must bear fruit for the Kingdom of God, and everyone will be held accountable for their stewardship.

Reflect, today, upon the glorious fact that if God can use his own suffering and death to bring salvation to the world, He can also use you in ways that are beyond your imagination. You might not become a famous evangelist. You might not succeed in some well-recognized ministry. In fact, you might even encounter much suffering, persecution, and hardship throughout life. Regardless of your own life situation, God desires to use you for great things and to bear an abundance of good fruit for His Kingdom. Commit to that mission, and allow God to use you as a cornerstone of His grace in this world.

My Lord and Cornerstone of the Church, You were rejected by the leaders of Israel and were killed in the most horrific way. Yet in Your glorious power, You transformed that evil into the greatest good. I give to You my weaknesses and pains, my talents and labors; I give to You my entire life. Please use me and help me to share in Your life so that, with You, I may also become a cornerstone of Your grace as You desire. Jesus, I trust in You.

October 8-15, 2023

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 in the collection basket.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OLMM will once again celebrate a monthly Children's Mass on the third Sunday of each month at the 9:00AM Mass. The children and youth of our parish (SK to Grade 12) will have the chance to participate in various ministries before, during and after the Mass. For example, children and youth can sign up to be greeters, ushers, lectors, gift bearers, etc. The children will also be invited to participate in the closing song in a special way. If your child is interested in participating in this event, please fill out the registration form available in the church foyer. Families who register will be notified in advance when it is their child's turn to participate.

One Day Pilgrimage to the parish of St. Bernard of Clairvaux in Fournier, Ontario organized by the Legion of Mary, St. George Parish for the handicapped persons and seniors on Saturday, October 14th, 2023 from 8:30AM to 4:00PM. The cost of \$25.00 includes Holy Mass, guided tour of this 105-year old church, a picnic at the local park, and transportation in a wheelchair accessible bus with washroom. For more information, contact Cheryl Clingaman, 613-728-5687 or cclingaman@gmail.com.

A Christ-Centred, Co-Journey Towards Healing

This weekend our families gather to give thanks to the Father for our many blessings. One of the ways that we can show our appreciation is by sharing with others. We are asking you to support the Indigenous Reconciliation Fund on November 4th and 5th. All monies raised will be used to support initiatives by local Indigenous groups and organizations. One project that has received funding, thanks to your generosity, is a series of six retreats organized by Kateri Native Ministry to promote healing and reconciliation. Learn more at www.journeyforhealing.ca

HELPING

The Catholic Women's League was formed in the early 20th century to help immigrants arriving in Canada. Members continue to help the most vulnerable across the country. Come and add your helping hands to ours.

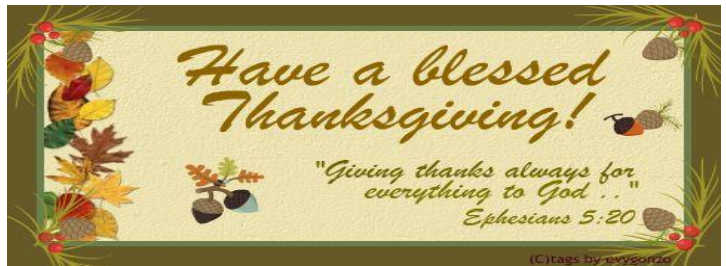
CWL October Meeting – Thursday, Oct 12th, 7:00 PM
Guest speaker – CWL member Lorraine Harper will speak first on gluten free diet and celiac disease. Parishioners are invited to attend.

Catholic Social Justice event:

Walking Together on a Journey Toward Reconciliation

This is an opportunity to find out what has been happening to bring about healing between the Church & Indigenous Peoples since Pope Francis' penitential pilgrimage to Canada during July 2022. A panel discussion about how parishioners, clergy, and Indigenous Peoples can engage more closely with one another on the path to Reconciliation at Saint Paul University, 223 Main St., on Saturday, Oct. 14th from 2-4pm. There is no charge for this event, but please register ahead of time to attend in person or online by contacting Tony Ritchie at ritchieanthony3@gmail.com.

The panelists & moderator are members of the Diocesan Reconciliation Committee (DRC). Questions? Please speak with Janyce Elser-Ethier, parish D&P/social justice representative, 343-463-4381 or elserethierjanyce@gmail.com.



Rosary Coast to Coast CANADA

ST. JOSEPH
ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL
OUR LADY OF THE CAPE
PRAY FOR US
OCTOBER 13, 2023

The Rosary Coast to Coast will be held at 3100 Weston Road on the field behind Carmen Stefano Community Centre at 8:00 p.m. on October 13, 2023

Time: 8:00 p.m. EST
5:00 p.m. Pacific
7:00 p.m. Central
9:00 p.m. Atlantic
9:30 p.m. Newfoundland
6:00 p.m. Mountain



Join Zoom Meeting:
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Light a candle, pray with your family and friends, or join an online livestream event at 3100 Weston Road, Toronto, Ontario. Recitation of the holy Rosary, chaplet of the Divine Mercy, consecration to Mary in song, and a brief reflection. There is no better time to be on our knees and implore God for mercy on our families and our country!

Location: All provinces of Canada

www.rosarycoasttocoast.ca

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