

Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity to Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ—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, May 25th

4:30pm Repose of the souls of Dick and Sally James by Pat Redsell

Sunday, May 26th – The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

9:00am Intentions of the parishioners by the Pastor
10:45am Intentions of Ken and Heather Sisk and for Easter blessings by the James family

Tuesday, May 28th

7:00pm Repose of the soul of Andreas Kranjc by Elisabetta King

Wednesday, May 29th

9:30am Repose of the soul of Urban Zamore by Georgia Gabriel John and family

Thursday, May 30th

9:00am For the family of Mariette Brault

Friday, May 31st – The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

9:00am 50th wedding anniversary of Michael and Peggy Hope by Jim and Jane Munro

Saturday, June 1st – St. Justin

4:30pm Repose of the soul of Oldrich Maly by Stanley Kaplan

Sunday, June 2nd – The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

9:00am Intentions of the parishioners by the Pastor
10:45am Repose of the soul of Milagros Rivero by Jenalyn Badel

Tuesday, June 4th

7:00pm In thanksgiving on the occasion of 50th anniversary of ordination to sacred priesthood of Father Richard Whalen by the James family

Wednesday, June 5th – St. Boniface

9:30am Intentions of Liane Texmo by her parents Pete and Cathy Gambell

Thursday, June 6th

9:00am For the family of Mariette Brault

Friday, June 7th – The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

9:00am Vocations to the priesthood and religious life by the CWL

Saturday, June 8th – The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary

4:30pm Repose of the soul of Dick James by the James family

Sunday, June 9th – Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00am Intentions of the parishioners by the Pastor
10:45am Repose of the soul of Réal Fortier by the KOC Council 12401

Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

While they were eating, He took bread, said the blessing, broke it, gave it to them, and said, “Take it; this is My body.” Then He took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, and they all drank from it. He said to them, “This is My blood of the covenant, which will be shed for many.” **Mark 14:22-24.**

At the holy Mass, as soon as the priest pronounces the words of the consecration, transforming the bread and wine into the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ our Lord, he genuflects, rises, and then says, “The mystery of faith.” What is “the mystery of faith?” Oftentimes, when we say that something is a mystery, we mean that the conclusion is hidden but that there are certain clues to help solve the mystery. Once the mystery is solved, everything is clear and it is no longer a mystery. “The mystery of faith” is much different. Those words are spoken at Mass immediately after the consecration as a way of drawing the faithful into a holy awe and amazement of what just took place. But this mystery can only produce wonder and awe if the reality of what just took place is understood through the gift of faith. Faith is knowing and believing without perceiving the reality before us with our five senses or through logical deduction. In other words, faith produces true knowledge of a spiritual reality that can only be known, understood and believed through spiritual insight. Therefore, if we attend the Mass and have been gifted with the knowledge of faith, then as soon as the consecration of the bread and wine takes place, we will cry out interiorly, “My Lord and my God!” We will know that God the Son is present before us in a veiled way. Our eyes do not perceive, nor do any of our senses reveal to us the great reality before us. We cannot rationally deduce what just took place. Instead, we come to know and believe that the Son of God, the Savior of the World, is now present before us in His fullness, under the veil of mere bread and wine.

In addition to the divine presence of our Lord and our God, the entire Mystery of our Redemption is made present. Saint Pope John Paul II tells us that in this moment there is a “oneness in time” that links the *Paschal Mystery*, that is, the Life, Death and Resurrection of Jesus, to every moment that the Eucharist is celebrated and made present through the words of consecration. And that unity between each Mass and the *Paschal Mystery* “leads us to profound amazement and gratitude” (*Ecclesia de Eucharistia*, #5). Do you sense and experience this profound amazement and gratitude each time you attend the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass? Do you realize as you attend the Mass and as the words of consecration are spoken that the entire Mystery of your redemption is made present before you, hidden from your eyes but visible to your soul by faith? Do you understand that it is God the Second Person of the Most Holy Trinity Who descends to us to dwell with us in that moment of time in this glorious Sacrament? Reflect, today, upon the hidden but real Mystery of Faith. Allow yourself to be drawn into a wonder and awe at what you are privileged to attend. Let your faith in the Most Holy Eucharist grow by being open to a deepening of this gift of faith through spiritual insight and belief. Behold this great Gift of the Eucharist with the eyes of faith and you will be drawn into the wonder and awe that God wants to bestow upon you.

My ever-glorious Eucharistic Lord, I do believe that You are here, made present in our world under the form of bread and wine, every time the Holy Mass is celebrated. Fill me with a deeper faith in this Holy Gift, dear Lord, so that I may be drawn into wonder and awe every time I witness this holy Consecration. Jesus, I trust in You.

May 26 – June 2, 2024 (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 or drop in the collection basket.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Intentions of the Holy Father for June For migrants fleeing their homes

We pray that migrants fleeing from war or hunger, forced to undertake journeys full of danger and violence, find welcome and new opportunities in the countries that receive them.

First Friday Adoration

Friday, June 7th at 4:00pm to Saturday, June 8th, 4:00pm. We would like to have two adorers per hour. If you would like to become a regular adorer or want more information please call the parish office at 613-445-3054 or email at adoration@olmm.ca.

Youth Group

The next Youth Group meeting will be on Friday, June 14th, 7:00pm at the church hall. Children ages 12 to 19 are welcome to participate. For more information and to register, contact Chris Smith at cdansmith@hotmail.com.

The CWL has a prayer card for you with two prayers. The first is for an increase in vocations for priests, deacons, nuns, and consecrated people. The second one is the prayer of St. Gertrude for the Holy Souls in Purgatory to be released as well as for the conversion of all people. Please pray for these special intentions for the month of June and beyond!

A special thank you to Richard James for being the PPC chair for the past 6 years. Your leadership, guidance, devotion and selfless acts of service to our parish is truly remarkable. May God continue to bless you and your family.

SERVICE

Baptism calls us to witness to God's love – especially for the outcast and vulnerable in this world. Catholic Women's League members witness this service in many ways. Come be a part of this compassionate service.

My Heartfelt Thanks

Words are not enough to express my gratitude to everyone for a lovely farewell you gave to my beloved Bernie!

Straight from my heart to all of you, I want to express the depth of my gratitude to the parishioners of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Church-Russell for making the funeral Mass for my husband, Bernie Ethier so special. The Mass was beautiful. I know that Bernie was pleased. Father Anthony's homily was an honour I will always cherish. I was so moved by the number of people who came out to the funeral Mass and by the care taken with all of the funeral details. I felt lifted up in your prayers. I know Bernie felt that, too. The refreshments offered by the parish CWL were stellar! Friends and family remarked on the thoughtfulness of the parish CWL and the Knights of Columbus. The welcome extended to me was so moving. The heartfelt offers of help were very touching. I am so grateful to all of you!
THANK YOU SO MUCH! - Janyce Elser-Ethier.

**They plan to wed,
Ian Wilson and Melissa Louise Wood**



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Council 12401 would like to thank all parishioners who joined us on Sunday May 26, 2024 for our parish breakfast. Thank you for your continued support to help us meet our charitable goals.