

## Twelfth Sunday to Thirteenth Sunday 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, June 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**4:30pm** Repose of the soul of Kenneth Barrie by the James family

#### **Sunday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> - Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**9:00am** Thanksgiving for Bernard Mark John by Georgia Gabriel John and family

**10:45am** Intentions of the parishioners by the Pastor

#### **Tuesday, June 25<sup>th</sup>**

**7:00pm** 84<sup>th</sup> birthday intentions of Josephine Barnes by the James family

#### **Wednesday, June 26<sup>th</sup>**

**9:30am** Repose of the soul of Bernie Ethier by the CWL

#### **Thursday, June 27<sup>th</sup>**

**9:00am** For the family of Mariette Brault

#### **Friday, June 28<sup>th</sup> – St. Irenaeus**

**9:00am** Repose of the soul of Réal Fortier by John and Ann Jackson

#### **Saturday, June 29<sup>th</sup> – St. Peter and St. Paul**

**4:30pm** Repose of the souls of Mary and Bob Urlocker by the Urlocker-Lalonde family

#### **Sunday, June 30<sup>th</sup> – Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**9:00am** Intentions of the parishioners by the Pastor

**10:45am** Repose of the soul of Réal Fortier by John and Monique de Medeiros

#### **Tuesday, July 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**7:00pm** In thanksgiving on the occasion of 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary to sacred priesthood of Fr. Tim Shea by the James family

#### **Wednesday, July 3<sup>rd</sup> – St. Thomas**

**9:30am** Repose of the soul of Bernie Ethier by Winnie Kerfoot

#### **Thursday, July 4<sup>th</sup>**

**9:00am** Repose of the soul of Bernie Ethier by the Sliva family

#### **Friday, July 5<sup>th</sup>**

**9:00am** Intentions of Tom and Leslie Joiner by Jay Dupuis

#### **Saturday, July 6<sup>th</sup>**

**4:30pm** Repose of the souls of Dick and Sally James by John and Ann Jackson

#### **Sunday, July 7<sup>th</sup> – Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**9:00am** Intentions of the parishioners by the Pastor

**10:45am** Repose of the soul of Réal Fortier by Paul and Charlene Chenard

### *Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)*

Jesus was in the stern, asleep on a cushion. They woke him and said to him, “Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?” He woke up, rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, “Quiet! Be still!” The wind ceased and there was great calm. **Mark 4:38–39**

Do you desire to hear God speak to you? The most common way this happens is through prayerful meditation on the Gospels. Over the centuries, the saints have prayerfully pondered the Gospels and have offered various insights on the stories and our Lord’s actions. Their insights are not primarily an intellectual exercise. Rather, they are first an exercise of prayer and meditation, revealing that the Scriptures have various layers of depth and meaning.

One Church Father, Saint Bede, explains from his prayerful pondering of today’s Gospel passage that the boat in which Jesus crossed the sea represents the Cross by which safe passage is obtained to arrive at the shores of Heaven. The other boats that followed represent those who have faith in the Cross of Christ and follow. Though they suffer the waves of temptation and hardship, they press on, relying upon the saving power of the Cross. Jesus being asleep represents His sleep of death, and His waking represents His resurrection. The pleas of the disciples represent our need to turn to Jesus during the storms and temptations of life. The rebuke of the waves and the ensuing calm reveal the grace won by His death and resurrection, which is able to silence the demons and disordered passions. The fear that the disciples encountered points to our own fear that results from a lack of faith and trust in God.

God is able to speak these and many other truths to us through His actions and words contained in the Scriptures. There is no limit to the depth and meaning we can receive through His holy Word. Therefore, though it is useful to reflect upon the saints’ various interpretations of the Gospels, it is also very important to reflect upon these passages ourselves, so as to allow our Lord to reveal to us the message we need to hear.

Reflect, today, upon this Gospel scene. Try to find time to slowly read today’s Gospel from beginning to end. Read a sentence and then close your eyes and try to imagine it. See Jesus entering the boat. Ponder the boat being an image of the Cross. See the sea as the many evils within this world. Consider the fear the disciples encountered during the storm. See yourself in that boat, waking our Lord. Listen to Him silence the waves and restore peace. Hear Him say to you about your own struggles in life: “Why are you terrified? Do you not yet have faith?” As you prayerfully meditate upon this and other Gospel passages, know that God will speak to you and reveal to you the meaning that He wishes to communicate to you today.

*My sleeping Lord, as I endure the many storms of life, may I always have faith in the saving power of Your Cross and Resurrection. May I always call upon You to calm the storms and hear You speak to me the many truths I need to hear. Jesus, I*

**HAPPY SUMMER**

June 23 - 30, 2024

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.

### Youth Group

The next Youth Group meeting will be on Friday, June 28<sup>th</sup>, 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](mailto:cdansmith@hotmail.com).

### Greetings from St. Joseph's Oratory, Montreal.

We are organizing an evening Retreat of Anointing and Healing in English. The event will take place on Tuesday, July 16, 2024, from 5:30 pm to 8:00 pm in the Crypt Church (Ground floor) at St. Joseph's Oratory. This is a rare opportunity to pray with this amazing Catholic priest, Fr. Xavier Khan Vattayil, PDM, who has gifts of the Holy Spirit. He is a world-renowned preacher and founder of a Religious Order. During the Retreat, we will be exposing the Major Reliquary of Saint André Bessette for veneration. We will also have anointing and blessing with the Oil of St. Joseph.

**Please note that it is a FREE event and NO REGISTRATION is required.**

## BAPTIZED IN THE HOLY SPIRIT



Welcome to the family of God:

Naomi Imani Moses

Kieran André Laneville

Naetochukwu Raphael Ntiajuka

Dartagnan Edmond Francis Gélinau

## SISTERS

Have you ever longed for a sister? The Catholic Women's League will bring many women into your life. Some will journey with you through thick and thin, some will come and go. Always, these women will carry and support you with their prayers and sisterly love. Come meet new sisters. Also each month all the members' names are put into a box and we randomly choose a Secret Sister to pray for during the coming month. Come and be a Secret CWL Sister.

### Ottawa Encounter School of Ministry Summer Intensive

The Servants of the Cross invite you to have a taste of the talks that you would receive from the first 4 quarters of the Encounter School of Ministry (Identity & Transformation, Hearing God & the Prophetic Gifts, Power & Healing, and Inner Healing & Freedom). July 22-25, 6:00pm-9:30pm (5:30 pm supper - optional), St. Mary's Parish, 100 Young Street, Ottawa. Cost: \$40. Register: <http://tinyurl.com/Encounter-School-of-Ministry>

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 12401 CORNER

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- Charity: There is no better way to experience love and compassion than by helping those in need. A call the Knights answer every day.
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- Fraternity: Our Founder, Blessed Michael J. McGivney, founded the Knights to provide support for families in need. Today, the Knights Insurance programs are there to help protect Catholic families.
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