



“The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy.

Go therefore into the main streets, invite to the banquet anyone you find”

Today’s reading: Isaiah 25.6-10a; Philippians 4.12-14, 19-20; Matthew 22.1-14

Next week reading: Isaiah 45.1,4-6; Thessalonians 1.1-5ab; Matthew 22.15-21a

This Week

Saturday, October 14 28th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

5:00 p.m. Mass for Vrecic Family & Kerec Family
requested by Leo & Maria

Sunday, October 15 28th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

9:00 a.m. Mass for George Janigan requested by Lucille
Janigan
11:00 a.m. Mass for Eleanor Charlebois requested by her
family

Monday, October 16

9:00 a.m. Mass
6:00 p.m. OCSB Children’s Choir
8:00 p.m. AA – Westboro Step

Tuesday, October 17

9:00 a.m. Mass
7:00 p.m. ByTown Voices

Wednesday, October 18

9:00 a.m. Mass
1:00 p.m. Retirees Cards & Games
7:15 p.m. St. Basil’s Choir

Thursday, October 19

9:00 a.m. Mass
7:00 p.m. Pastoral Council Meeting

Friday, October 20

9:00 a.m. Mass
8:00 p.m. AA – By the Book

Saturday, October 21 29th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

9:00 p.m. Pastoral Council Pay of Reflection
5:00 p.m. Mass for Gerry Chartier requested by Marg and
Family

Sunday, October 22 29th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

9:00 a.m. Mass
11:00 a.m. Mass

The Parable of the Royal Wedding

From the desk of Fr. James

Today’s Gospel (Matthew 22:1-14)

“Many are called, but few are chosen”

As we ponder upon today’s parable, we cannot but be thrilled and wonderstruck at the prodigal and prodigious love of God the Father who loved the worlds and gave His own Son to save the world.

Today God comes with a new and revolutionary invitation list, in which the poor and the common people are the privileged ones. God in His love and concern invites everyone to the heavenly banquet. It is a banquet open to all, a feast from which no one is excluded. Isaiah in the first reading and Jesus in the Gospel emphasize that God’s invitation is not an exclusive one.

In the parable we see those who rejected God’s invitation are rather well-to-do, holding high positions in society. The ordinary common folk are quick and eager to accept the invitation.

Even in our time, those who accept and embrace the Gospel values are not the well-educated and the financially secure but the poor and the humble. As we participate in the Eucharistic banquet today, let us ask for the desire and readiness to accept and respond to the invitation to the Heavenly banquet that is to come.

God Bless,

Fr. James Raphael

Parish News

SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION AT ST. BASIL



Learn more about the Sacraments and the preparation process will be held on **Sunday, Oct. 29th after the 9 a.m.** Mass in the Hall. Registration forms and schedules will be provided.

1st Communion and Reconciliation are typically celebrated in grade 2, and Confirmation in grade 6. That being said, it is the policy of the Archdiocese of Ottawa that children celebrate the Sacraments when they are ready. If a child is not yet baptised and is old enough to choose Catholicism for themselves, all three Sacraments are performed in a single year.

More info contact Sarah: thosetwo@gmail.com

KNIT, KNIT, KNIT

Thank you to all the people who have offered to help knit wrist warmers to sell at the **Nov. 18th** fundraiser for the Carlington Chaplaincy. Wrist warmers are a quick and easy project and we'd love some more volunteers. Patterns are available. Use up some of those odds and ends! Contact Ellis-Lynn Duschenes 613-761-9542 elduschenes@gmail.com

From the Community

FAITH DISCOVERING A VOICE

A free, public webinar offered at St. Paul University sponsored by the faculty of Theology, on **October 25th** (Saint Augustine and Thinking Theologically Today) from 7 to 8 p.m. The University is located at 233 Main Street. For more information please check the poster in the Narthex or visit: ustpaul.ca

2017 SENIORS' HEALTH & WELLNESS FAIR

Please join us on, **Sat. Oct. 28th** at the Ron Kolbus Centre from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. The 2017 Seniors' Health and Wellness Fair, presented by Olde Forge and Ottawa West Community Support admission is free! There will be presentation, live entertainment and exhibits to learn about local amenities. Free swag bags will be handed out to the first 200 attendees, so mark your calendar and we will see you there!

BABY BOOMER AGING AND SPIRITUALITY – SAME OR DIFFERENT

Dr. Elizabeth MacKinlay, author of The Spiritual Dimension of Ageing, will host a conversation on the topic of boomer spirituality for a group limited to 75 people. Registration is essential at: www.ustpaul.ca/events. Saint Paul University, **Mon., Oct. 16**, 7-9 pm. Free.

From the Diocese

EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATION WITH THE ONTARIO BISHOPS

Archbishop Prendergast invited the bishops of Ontario (ACBO) to hold their plenary session in the nation's capital in this year of the 150th anniversary of Confederation, The bishops graciously accepted his invitation and will be holding their meeting in Ottawa, Oct. 16 - 19. The bishops will be concelebrating Mass at Notre Dame Cathedral on **Mon., Oct. 16, 5:00 pm** on the feast day of St. Marguerite d'Youville. All are invited. The bishops will also visit the Motherhouse of the Sisters of Charity on Bruyère Street for a moment of prayer at the tomb of Mère Élisabeth Bruyère.

THEOLOGY ON TAP - FATIMA 100 YEARS LATER

Bishop Christian Riesbeck CC, Auxiliary Bishop of Ottawa, will speak on Our Lady of Fatima and Marian Consecration. At Malone's Grill, 1001 Queen Elizabeth Dr., **Thurs., Oct. 19, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.** Movies on Our Lady of Fatima shown before and after the event. Info: (www.facebook.com/events).

40 DAYS FOR LIFE CAMPAIGN

A time to fast and pray for the end of abortion. Held this year **Sept. 27 – Nov. 5**. Intercede for God's mercy on the unborn and those who would deny them life. Daily prayer vigil, 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. Info: 613-299-2515 or visit <https://40daysforlife.com/local-campaigns/ottawa/>.

ANNUAL ARCHBISHOP'S CHARITY DINNER

A fundraising event in support of families. At the Ottawa Conference and Event Centre on Wed., **Oct. 18**. The Archbishop has chosen four beneficiaries this year: Serenity Renewal for Families, Patro D'Ottawa, House of Hope and Healing and Centre des Services à la Famille. Poster here. Order tickets here. Info: Development Office (613-738-5025, ext. 202) or (dev@archottawa.ca).

2017 NATIONAL PRO-LIFE CONFERENCE

"TRUE NORTH STRONG FOR LIFE"

Presented by Action Life on **November 3rd and 4th** at Hilton Garden Inn Ottawa Airport. For ticket and information: www.truenorth2017.eventbrite.com or 613-798-4494

CATHOLIC CHRISTIAN OUTREACH

A Catholic Conference for Young Adults – "RISE UP" will be held on **Dec. 28th 2017 to Jan. 1st, 2018**. Register at cco.ca/riseup

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