

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, September 18, 2016

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Mass Intentions this week

Please note: Weekday Masses are celebrated in the Rectory Chapel unless otherwise indicated.

Sept. 20 to Sept 25

Tuesday 6:30 pm †Victor Iezzi
Wednesday 12:noon †Lynnsie Feijo
Friday 12: noon †Rosa Nardone
Saturday 5:00 pm †Shona Comisky, Dorothy Casselton, Fred & May McMahon & Intentions of the McMahon family



Sanctuary Lamp this week Intentions of: Living & deceased members of the Spelier/Duyidan families. Requests accepted by placing an envelope with the name of loved one and a donation of \$10 in the collection

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR	
Monday, September 19	Rev. Jacek Kryn, S.A.C.
Tuesday, September 20	Rev. Frank Ruzza, C.R.S.P.
Wednesday, September 21	Students
Thursday, September 22	Rev. Louis Lenssen, C.R.S.P.
Friday, September 23	Rev. Leonard Strohmeier
Saturday, September 24	Rev. Robert Sims

BULLETIN ADVERTISING

We now have 6 spaces available at the back of our bulletin for advertising. If you can fill these empty spaces, please call Bialas Printing at 519-752-4268. Thank you!

PARISH COFFEE, this weekend immediately following the 9:30 am Mass.

CWL NEWS:

Ladies of the parish are invited to come and hear Rose Corby, Public Health Inspector, speak about the importance of food safety on **Tuesday, Sept 27**, in the rectory meeting room immediately following the **6:30 pm Mass**. Whether at home, work or play, learning the four simple steps to safe food preparation ensures you keep your family and friends well and free from Foodborne illnesses. The CWL Meeting will follow the Presentation.

BURSARY – Students who are members of the parish, graduating from St. John's College and Assumption College in 2017 are eligible for the bursary. Please obtain an application from the school.

RUMMAGE SALE

Saturday October 1 from 9 – 11 am. Please drop off donations **on Friday, Sept 30** between 9 am and 6 pm.

MEDITATION

Today's readings bring up a difficult question: is it possible for one who enjoys a life of privilege to be a true Christian? I am reminded of the uncomfortable image of the camel trying to pass through the eye of the needle. Are good intentions enough?

Amos and Paul offer some valuable clues. The first reading sternly warns the rich and powerful against cheating and taking advantage of the poor in the pursuit of profit. The second reading reminds us that "kings and all who are in high positions" need our prayerful support in order to carry out their responsibilities to promote peace and dignity for all.

The psalm, however, draws us deeper. We are told, "The Lord raises the poor from the dust... to make them sit with princes." In other words, God erases the artificial distinction between rich and poor, between the powerful and the needy. For the Christian, there can be no "us" and "them" "There is one God," says Paul, and so we are all members of the same family, the same body. As we work to promote justice, peace and equality in our world, we are called to embrace each person as our sister or brother. Though our circumstances may differ, we are all in need and we are all blessed.

Krystyna Higgins, Guelph, ON
Novalis, Living with Christ

2ND ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT: All Full For Arrowdale on Sunday, September 25, at 2:00! pm. Cost is: \$20.00 for golf plus \$5.00 for a cart; \$20.00 for dinner.

PLEASE remit your payment today by putting it in the Collection Basket or dropping off at the Rectory door slot. We're glad to say Gator Bar-B-Q will be back with their delicious Chicken Dinner. **SPACES FOR DINNER ARE STILL AVAILABLE.** Sign up for dinner!

CAN YOU DONATE A PRIZE FOR THE GOLF TOURNAMENT?

The parish would greatly appreciate your help. Any small, unused prize would be appreciated. Golf balls, Tim Horton gift certificates are ideas. They can be dropped off at the rectory during business hours or at the back of church before week-end Masses. Many Thanks!

FAMILIES!

Jubilee for Families is to be held on Saturday, Oct. 15, 2016 at the Cathedral Basilica from 10:45 – 4:15 PM (with the option to remain for the 5 pm Mass). This is an opportunity for anyone who is a member of a family to come and here about the importance of family to its members and its role in passing on the faith. The event will include a keynote address by Dr. Deanna Benke-Cook titled, *Into the Heart of Mercy, By Way of the Family*, a session for families working with the newly acquired Saint John's Bible, as well a chance to attend two workshops during the afternoon sessions. The day will end with all those present entering the Cathedral Basilica through the Holy Doors, where they will also have a chance to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Those who can will be invited to remain for Mass at 5 pm, celebrated by Bishop Daniel Miehm.

RCIA!

“RCIA” means: The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults.

This Spiritual process is for adults seeking full Communion in the Roman Catholic Church. This may entail Baptism if the person has never been Baptized. Those Baptized in another Christian communion are welcome – they would celebrate the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist at the Easter Vigil in 2017.

The **team** for the RCIA will meet on **Wednesday, September 21st at 6:30 pm in the Rectory.**

Potential Candidates will meet with the team to initiate the journey on **Wednesday September 28th at 6:30 pm in the Rectory**

Think about it for yourself or a friend...and pray!

FEAST OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CELEBRATION

The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul Council of Brant welcomes all Vincentians & parishioners interested in becoming Vincentians to the Annual Celebration of the Feast of St. Vincent de Paul held at Blessed Sacrament Church, 181 King St., Burford on **Tuesday, Sept 27th** Celebration of the Eucharist at 5:30 pm followed by dinner and social in Blessed Sacrament Hall. Tickets for the dinner are \$6.00, must be purchased at the Valu Shoppe by September 16, 2016.

ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE 2017:

The second meeting for our Special Events in 2017 will be held on **Thursday, September 29th at 7 p.m.** in the rectory meeting room.

After our opening prayer, we will update one another on the dates chosen for our various Social and Spiritual celebrations in order to print a calendar for all registered parishioners!

MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION:

Our Diocese has organized formation days for Ministers of Communion. Choose either:

- Saturday, Oct 1st in Guelph or
- Saturday, Oct. 15th in Burlington

Application forms with exact locations are on the “sign-in” table at the back. New Eucharistic Ministers and those who wish to update are encouraged to attend.

SACRAMENTAL Preparation Sessions:

Registration forms for the Sacraments of First Reconciliation, First Eucharist, and Confirmation are ready for pick up at the back of the Church.

Please bring the completed form, along with a **copy** of the child's Baptism form to our initial session in the Parish Hall:

The initial session for **parents** of **First Communicants** will be held in our parish hall on **Thursday, November 10th, 7 pm – 8 pm.**

The initial session for **Confirmation (Parent & Candidate)** will be held in our parish hall on **Thursday, November 17th - 7 p.m.**

According to our diocesan guidelines, First Reconciliation and First Communion are celebrated with children in grade 2 or higher, and Confirmation with grade 7 or higher.

Please put these dates in your calendar!

NB: * No Registration Forms will be accepted after Christmas.

***If your child was Baptized here, you do not need to give us a copy of their Certificates.**

Year of Mercy Pilgrim Sunday

All are welcome to come to the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, Hamilton for a *Year of Mercy Pilgrimage* and pass through the Doors of Mercy on **Sunday, October 16th**. The Doors of Mercy will open at 2:00 p.m. There will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 2:30 p.m., the *Divine Mercy Chaplet* and Benediction will begin at 3:00 p.m. Pilgrims are welcome to stay for the 4:00 p.m. Mass that day.

Catholic-Meet up for Young Adults in Hamilton-Area

This is a new way for Catholic Young Adults (ages 19-39) in Hamilton & surrounding areas to meet and connect with each other. Our first event is at Hotaru Sushi (1686 Main St. West, Hamilton ON) on **Sunday September 25th. It is from 6:30 - 8:30** but feel free to show up anytime between that and we'll stay for as long as we want! And also, if you don't like sushi, don't worry, there's lots of other stuff too! Come, hang out, chat and meet new people! When you enter the restaurant, look for the 'drinking monk' sign to know where we're sitting. Contact jpeter@hamiltondiocese.com for more info! Also check out our Facebook Page – Hamilton Catholic Young Adults – for all information and events for Young Adults seeking to grow in Faith.