



Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time~Year A

Diocesan Theme: **The Gospel of the Family: Joy for the World**

“Clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness and patience
...above all, clothe yourselves with love!” (*Colossians 3.12, 14*)

Parish Mission Statement: “LOVE GOD, LOVE OTHERS, MAKE DISCIPLES”

Mass  for the
Intentions  for the
Week

Saturday, October 14th

4:30pm For the intentions of the parishioners by the pastor

Sunday, October 15th~Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am For the repose of the souls of Brenda Henke and Jerry Phillips by June and Andre Pare

10:45am For the intentions of the Salvatorian fathers

Tuesday, October 17th~St. Ignatius of Antioch

7:00 pm~ For the repose of the soul of Ursula Serjak by Lisa and John Serjak

Wednesday, October 18th~St. Luke

8:20 am~at STA ~For the intentions of Luke James by his family

9:30am~at OLMM

Thursday, October 19th

9:00 am~For the repose of the souls of Jean and Jeanne Latino by the Tanguay family

Friday, October 20th

9:00 am

Saturday, October 21st

4:30 pm For the repose of the soul of Georgina Gilarowski by Judy Bazzetta and family

Sunday, October 22nd~Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am For the intentions of the parishioners by the pastor

10:45 am For the repose of the soul of Rita May Munro by Marty and Joan Chesser

October 8th, 2017~\$3,144.80

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INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER FOR OCTOBER:

That all workers may receive respect and protection of their rights, and that the unemployed may receive the opportunity to contribute to the common good.

~IN OUR PRAYERS~

For the sick among our families and friends especially:

Jenifer Gunton, Jean Gaede,
Yvette Barretto-Duval, and Noreen Plant.

Gospel Summary

Matthew dealt harshly with the wedding guests who made excuses for not attending the king's son's wedding. Not only did they refuse the invitation, but they beat the servant who went in search of them. The king knew that there would be those who appreciated the banquet and sent more servants out to the crossroads to find anyone willing to come. Matthew ended his Gospel with what was probably a separate parable. Someone dressed inappropriately and was removed from the banquet. Most likely, Matthew intended his listeners to respond appropriately to God's invitation.

Reflection For Families

Sometimes our children drag their feet and say they don't want to go someplace where they've been invited. Many times we whisper to ourselves, "If only she would get there, she would have a great time." And sometimes she does get there and, sure enough, she does have a great time. If we're honest with ourselves, we may find that the same is true when we have gone reluctantly to an event that turned out to be quite a pleasure. Wouldn't those who received the original invitation to the wedding feast have enjoyed a splendid party! The words of today's gospel caution us not to miss out on a great celebration. We need to say "yes" to God's invitation.

Bringing the Gospel Into Your Family

Invite someone you know who has been away from the Church for a while, maybe a family member, a neighbor, co-worker or classmate to come to Mass with you this weekend (or sometime soon). Help them remember the joy of receiving the Eucharist at the Lord's table by reaching out to them in love free from judgment.

Discussion Starters

I remember a time I received an invitation and did not go. Later I learned something about the event and regretted my decision because...

Once I was really hurt when someone refused my invitation...

I know that sometimes I am like the first people invited to the wedding celebration. I make excuses to God when I...

Have a Blessed week!

October 15th, 2017

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 it in the collection basket.

THIS WEEK AT OUR LADY'S

Mon. Oct. 16th~Rosary making group~7:00-8:30pm~hall
Tues. Oct. 17th~Adult choir~7:30~church
Wed. Oct. 18th~Alpha Session~6:00-9:00pm

We will be having a special prayer service at the OLMM cemetery on Thursday Nov. 2nd, at 3:00pm. We will be doing prayers of the departed, blessing of the headstones and doing the rosary together.

Mass Cancellations

Tuesday October 24th mass will be cancelled but we will have Adoration followed by the rosary from 6:00-7:00pm.
Wednesday October 25th mass will be cancelled at STA and also at the church.

THE KNIGHTS OF COLOMBUS will be handing out paper bags after all masses next weekend for the Township of Russell Good Neighbours Food Bank. Our local Food Bank needs your help. If you can, pick up a bag, and when you bring it home, please remember to fill it. These bags will be collected downstairs in the church hall before all Masses on the following weekend. Items needed are canned meals (soups, chili, stews, etc.), canned meats, peanut butter, canned vegetables and fruits, cereals, fruit juices in single serving boxes and other non-perishable items. Cheques payable to "Good Neighbours Food Bank" can also be donated.

To learn more about the Township of Russell Good Neighbours Food Bank, visit www.babv-gnfb.ca.

SICK CALLS: Please call the Parish Office if a parishioner is ill, hospitalized, or homebound and would like to receive the Sacrament of the Sick, Reconciliation or Holy Communion. Hospitals or other facilities often do not contact us regarding spiritual needs.

Have you been missing the fellowship from attending coffee Sundays? If so please feel free to sign up and host an up-coming coffee Sunday. Sign up sheets are posted just outside the kitchen. Thank you all in advance.

A reminder to all parents with children wishing to make their first communion during the 2018 Easter season. Registration is the weekend of October 21-22 before all masses.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY: Renewal of marriage vows will take place on Saturday, October 28th at the 4:30 pm mass for couples whose anniversary this year is a multiple of 5 - 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50 etc. If this is a special anniversary year for you and you would like to participate, please contact the parish office at 613-445-3054 to register by Thursday October 26th.

October Devotion

In keeping with our catholic tradition, the month of October is dedicated to Our Lady of the Holy Rosary. The best way to celebrate the month is to pray the rosary daily and other marian devotions. Let us pray for our protection and that of our loved ones and for peace in our world through the intercession of the Mother of God.

Why Do Catholics Pray for the Dead?

On November 2 the Church celebrates the Feast of All Souls, when we remember all who have died. During the month of November, Catholics continue to pray for the deceased, trusting them to God's loving mercy.

For most Catholics, the idea of praying for the deceased is really second nature. We have blessing prayers for the body of someone who's just died, we have wake services, funeral masses, graveside services, and often memorial masses on the anniversary of someone's death.

To some people, this doesn't appear to make much sense. Once someone has passed on, they're in God's hands, so what's the point in all that prayer? They're facing God's judgment, so what can our prayers accomplish anyway? Well, we believe they can accomplish a lot.

First of all, Catholics believe in purgatory. Without going in to too much detail, this means that some of us aren't ready for heaven when we die, and aren't evil enough to face eternal damnation. So, some period of purification is necessary before we're ready to face God's glory. In part, our prayers for the deceased ask God to show mercy to those souls.

From the Catechism of the Catholic Church:

"THE FINAL PURIFICATION, OR PURGATORY " - (1030) All who die in God's grace and friendship, but still imperfectly purified, are indeed assured of their eternal salvation; but after death they undergo purification, so as to achieve the holiness necessary to enter the joy of heaven.

But our prayers for the deceased are not only prayers of supplication. They are also prayers of praise, which remind us of God's goodness and mercy. If you listen closely to the prayers at a Catholic funeral, you'll hear a clear expression of our hope in the resurrection.

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