Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time-Year C



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.



Saturday, October 12

4:30 pm-For the repose of the soul of Beverly Plunkett by the CWL members

Sunday, October 13-Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am-For the birthday intentions of Riley Hamilton by the Urlocker/Lalonde family

10:45 am- For the intentions of the Parishioners by the Pastor

Tuesday, October 15-St. Teresa of Jesus

7:00 pm-For the repose of the soul of Ursula Serjak by John & Lisa Serjak

Wednesday, October 16-St. Marguerite D'Youville 8:30 am-STA

9:30 am-OLMM- For the healing intentions of Lily Gambell by the Gambell family

Thursday, October 17-St. Ignatius of Antioch

9:00 am-For the repose of the soul of Olive Bradley by Jim & Jane Munro

Friday, October 18-St. Luke

9:00 am- For the repose of the soul of Jared Oldman by Mom, Dad and family

Saturday, October 19

4:30 pm-For the repose of the soul of Lise Tessier by Line Geerts

Sunday, October 20-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 Harriette Nahri by her family

~IN OUR PRAYERS~

For the sick among our families and friends especially: Pam Latour, Genny Detillieux, Natasha Baechler, Marie Kirkman, Theresa Harps, John O'Donnell and Alia M.

YOUR OFFERINGS FOR:

October 6-\$3,033.00
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INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER FOR OCTOBER:

A Missionary "Spring" in the Church

That the breath of the Holy Spirit engender a new missionary "spring" in the Church.

Reflection on Today's Readings

Gratitude is the key to a stewardship way of life. Today's readings demonstrate the power and vital importance of gratitude in the life of the Christian disciple, for gratitude leads us to worship God who offers us salvation.

We see the power of gratitude at work in the response of two individuals in today's readings who received the gift of physical healing: one in our First Reading, from the book of Second Kings, and the other in our Gospel Reading from Luke.

In the First Reading, we hear the story of Namaan, a commander in the army of Syria, who presents himself to the prophet, Elisha, "the man of God," to ask for healing from his leprosy. The prophet agrees to this request and intercedes on his behalf before God, telling Namaan to wash in the Jordan River. Namaan receives complete healing from the disease.

Overjoyed, Namaan returns to Elisha, filled with gratitude to God and wanting to offer a gift in thanksgiving for his healing. Though Elisha refuses to accept a gift, Naaman declares that for the rest of his life he "will no longer offer holocaust or sacrifice to any other god except to the Lord." Namaan recognized the great blessing he had received from the Lord, and as a result of his gratitude to God, is led to worship Him for the rest of his life.

We find a similar instance of healing in the Gospel passage, this one involving 10 lepers seeking healing. They cry out to Jesus in their affliction, and feeling pity for the 10, Jesus tells them to go and show themselves to the priests. As they go on their way, all ten are healed.

Yet, what we learn in the very next verse is surprising. "And one of them, realizing he had been healed, returned." Only one of the 10 recognized the tremendous blessing he had received from Jesus and returned to thank Him. It's easy to feel indignant at the failure of the nine others to return and thank Jesus. But how often do we fail to recognize blessings, great and small, answered prayers, healings (both physical and spiritual) that the Lord showers upon us, day and night?

The truth is that our very lives and every breath we take are His gift to us. But we can get so caught up in the stresses and distractions of daily life that we lose touch with this truth.

Gratitude begins within our minds and hearts when we take the time to recognize how blessed we truly are, and when we have the humility to recognize where these blessings come from — our merciful and loving God.

Have a Blessed week!

October 13, 2019

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

What's Happening This Week

Tues.-Oct. 15 - CGS-Level three-4:30-6:30pm-hall Tues.-Oct. 15- Bible Study-9:00 am- hall Friday- Oct. 18-Womens group ministry-9:30am-hall Saturday-Oct. 20-Healing mass-rosary & reconciliation-9:00am, mass at 9:30am

A Special thank you to the social committee for hosting the Octoberfest. The social committee is a small but very energetic group and consists of Richard James, June Pare, Laurie Doyle, Pam Mcintyre-Mooney, Kevin Moore, Janyce Elser-Ethier and of course our shepherd Fr. Robert, along with our ever helpful honorary members Heather & Ken Sisk and Mary Ellen James. Thanks also to the CWL for donating a wide range of delicious homemade desserts, Danny Gernon for his expert BBQing skills, KOC for helping with the set up, and picking up the chairs we borrowed. Individually, we are one drop. Together, we are an ocean.

The CWL would like to invite everyone to Care for our Common Home presentation and round table discussion Sunday October 27, 2019 at 2pm in parish hall. We are pleased to have 3 speakers join us that day: Dr. John Dorner, Ann Jackson and Theresa James to discuss important environmental topics. Our afternoon will close with refreshments.

Cursillo Weekend: Rejuvenate your spiritual life. Spend three days away immersed in discussion, prayer, laughter and song with new friends. A Cursillo weekend is a short course in Christian living. It provides an understanding of basic Christian truths while increasing our desire to journey with Christ. Ladies: Oct. 17-20. Men: Nov. 7-10. At Maison Notre Dame de-la-Providence, Orleans. Cost: \$280. Info: www.ottawacursillo.ca.

We will be having a special Healing Mass on Saturday October 19th. We will start with the Rosary and reconciliation at 9:00am followed by mass at 9:30 am. Since both Deacons will be away on retreat it will be mass with anointing but no individual blessing.

COFFEE SUNDAY 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.

CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE at www.olmm.ca and our Facebook page

Email: admin@olmm.ca

Please consider giving generously to our parish addition and renovation project. Please also pray for the success of the much needed up-grades.

Reminder for children wishing to receive confirmation, registration will be the weekend of Oct. 19/20 after all masses.

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.

Unveiling Alzheimer's: An Alzheimer's overview - the early signs, diagnosis, communication, and support for patient and caregiver. Robin Hull, Education & Support Coordinator, Alzheimer's Society will present The Dementia Friendly Community and be available to answer questions at Holy Spirit Parish Hall, 1489 Shea Rd, Stittsville, Oct. 27, 2-4 pm. Refreshments. Info: 613-836-8881. Hosted by Holy Spirit Pastoral Care Team.

OLMM Spiritual Library Please help yourselves to the FREE books and DVDs displayed downstairs in the hall. Any donation collected will go towards the Church upgrade.

Matthew: The King and His Kingdom has changed dates from Thursday mornings to Tuesday mornings at 9:00am Please feel free to stop by and join in.

Please note the following masses will be cancelled: Tuesday, Oct 22 to Friday Oct 25. Fr. Robert will away on a Priests retreat.

Thanksgiving Prayer

Dear Lord,

Today we give thanks for our many blessings, as we pray for those in need. We give thanks for our family & friends, as we pray for those who are lonely. We give thanks for our freedoms, as we pray for those who are oppressed. We give thanks for our good health, as we pray for those who are ill. We give thanks for our comfort and prosperity, as we share our blessings with others. On this day of Thanksgiving, may the love of God enfold us, the peace of God dwell in us and the joy of God uplift us. Amen

