

Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity to Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ—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 members to develop their faith and service to others.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, May 25th

4:30pm Repose of the souls of Dick and Sally James by Pat Redsell

Sunday, May 26th – The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

9:00am Intentions of the parishioners by the Pastor

10:45am Intentions of Ken and Heather Sisk and for Easter blessings by the James family

Tuesday, May 28th

7:00pm Repose of the soul of Andreas Kranjc by Elisabetta King

Wednesday, May 29th

9:30am Repose of the soul of Urban Zamore by Georgia Gabriel John and family

Thursday, May 30th

9:00am For the family of Mariette Brault

Friday, May 31st – The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

9:00am 50th wedding anniversary of Michael and Peggy Hope by Jim and Jane Munro

Saturday, June 1st – St. Justin

4:30pm Repose of the soul of Oldrich Maly by Stanley Kaplan

Sunday, June 2nd – The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

9:00am Intentions of the parishioners by the Pastor

10:45am Repose of the soul of Milagros Rivero by Jenalyn Badel

Tuesday, June 4th

7:00pm In thanksgiving on the occasion of 50th anniversary of ordination to sacred priesthood of Father Richard Whalen by the James family

Wednesday, June 5th – St. Boniface

9:30am Intentions of Liane Texmo by her parents Pete and Cathy Gambell

Thursday, June 6th

9:00am For the family of Mariette Brault

Friday, June 7th – The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

9:00am Vocations to the priesthood and religious life by the CWL

Saturday, June 8th – The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary

4:30pm Repose of the soul of Dick James by the James family

Sunday, June 9th – Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00am Intentions of the parishioners by the Pastor

10:45am Repose of the soul of Réal Fortier by the KOC Council 12401

Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

“All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age.” **Matthew 28:19–20.**

Of all the great feasts we celebrate within the Church throughout the year, today’s Solemnity presents us with a Mystery that is so deep and transcendent that our eternity will be spent in perpetual contemplation. The Trinity, the life of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, will never get old, never be fully understood, and will be the cause of our everlasting adoration and joy. Though the Church has used philosophical concepts to explain the Trinity, no human concept or description will ever fully explain Who God is. Though we can point to some general truths about God, we will never be able to fully depict the inner essence, depth, beauty and omnipotence of the Trinity.

As we consider that fact, it’s important to understand that the Trinity is not *first* a theological mystery we try to define. Rather, the Trinity is *first* a communion of Persons we are invited to know. We do not primarily come to know God through intellectual deduction. We come to know God through prayerful union with Him. Though theology is exceptionally useful and important, the essence of God is beyond any and every philosophical concept we can define.

The Father, Son and Holy Spirit are Persons. And as Persons, they want to be known. And they want to be known primarily through a life of deep and intimate prayer. Praying to One Person, of course, is praying to all, since they are One God. But we are, nonetheless, called to a relationship of love with the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. And though our feeble minds may not be able to fully comprehend the essence of God, He will draw us deeper and deeper into a knowledge of Him if we let Him.

Prayer often begins by saying prayers, by meditating upon Scripture, and by listening. But true prayer is something much deeper. True prayer is contemplative prayer that ultimately leads to divine union. Only God can initiate this form of prayer in our lives, and only God, through this deep form of prayer, can communicate Himself to us as He is. Some of the greatest mystics of our Church, such as Saint John of the Cross and Saint Teresa of Ávila, explain in their mystical theology that the deepest knowledge of God does not come through concepts or images. In fact, if we wish to obtain a knowledge of God in His essence, we must allow Him to purge every concept of Who He is so that the pure light of His essence can be poured forth upon our minds. This knowledge, they say, is beyond knowing “about” God. It’s the beginning of a knowledge “of” God.

Reflect, today, upon the Most Holy Trinity. As you do, say a prayer to God asking for a deeper and more intimate knowledge of Him. Ask Him to communicate to you His divine love and to open your mind and heart to a deeper understanding of Who He is. Try to humble yourself before the great Mystery of the inner life of God. Humility before the Mystery of God means that we know how little we know about Him and how little we know of Him. But that humble truth will help you move closer to the deeper relationship of love to which you are called.

Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, please draw me into a relationship of love with You Who are one God and three divine Persons. May the mystery and beauty of Your life become more known and loved by me each day through the gift of transforming mystical prayer. Jesus, I trust in You.

May 26 – June 2, 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

The CWL will be handing out bags after all masses the weekend of May 25th and 26th 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 weekend of June 1st and 2nd.

First Friday Adoration

Friday, June 7th at 4:00pm to Saturday, June 8th, 4:00pm. We would like to have two adorers per hour. If you would like to become a regular adorer or want more information please call the parish office at 613-445-3054 or email at adoration@olmm.ca.

BAPTIZED IN THE HOLY SPIRIT



Welcome to the family of God:
Mathéo Daniel Bellefeuille
Tylee Summer Denny
Theodore Ian Wilson
Emberley Jillian Murphy

Intentions of the Holy Father for May For the formation of religious and seminarians

We pray that religious women and men, and seminarians, grow in their own vocations through their human, pastoral, spiritual and community formation, leading them to be credible witnesses to the gospel.

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, May 31st, 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.

SERVICE

Baptism calls us to witness to God's love – especially for the outcast and vulnerable in this world. Catholic Women's League members witness this service in many ways. Come be a part of this compassionate service.

My Heartfelt Thanks

Words are not enough to express my gratitude to everyone for a lovely farewell you gave to my beloved Bernie!

Straight from my heart to all of you, I want to express the depth of my gratitude to the parishioners of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Church-Russell for making the funeral Mass for my husband, Bernie Ethier so special. The Mass was beautiful. I know that Bernie was pleased. Father Anthony's homily was an honour I will always cherish. I was so moved by the number of people who came out to the funeral Mass and by the care taken with all of the funeral details. I felt lifted up in your prayers. I know Bernie felt that, too. The refreshments offered by the parish CWL were stellar! Friends and family remarked on the thoughtfulness of the parish CWL and the Knights of Columbus. The welcome extended to me was so moving. The heartfelt offers of help were very touching. I am so grateful to all of you!
THANK YOU SO MUCH! - Janyce Elser-Ethier.

They plan to wed,
Ian Wilson and Melissa Louise Wood



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