

## TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**SCRIPTURE MESSAGE:** Today's Gospel explains the basis of our Faith as acceptance of Jesus as the Christ, the Son of the Living God and our Lord and Savior. It also tells us that Christ Jesus became our Savior by his suffering, death and Resurrection. Finally, it outlines the three conditions of Christian discipleship, namely, denying oneself, taking up one's cross and following Jesus. Scripture lessons: Jesus saw aspects of his own life and mission foreshadowed in Isaiah's Servant Songs. Hence, a large portion of one of these is presented as the first reading today. Like the servant described in today's first reading, Jesus' life was one of radical obedience and conformity to God's will. Thus, the Servant passage provides background for the revelation of Jesus as the suffering Messiah. The Psalmist invites us to turn to the Lord for help amidst the trials of this world. It is in God that we will find deliverance from trouble and relief from our afflictions. (Ps 116). Today's second reading, taken from the second letter of James to the Church, reminds us that suffering is not only something to be accepted but also something to be alleviated. James explains how our Faith in Jesus, the Messiah, should help us to alleviate the sufferings of others by our works of mercy, both corporal and spiritual. In the Gospel, in response to Peter's profession of Faith in him as the Messiah and Savior, Jesus foretells for the first of three times his passion, death and Resurrection. Today's Gospel consists of two sections: 1) the Messianic confession of Peter, who acknowledged Jesus as "the Christ (Messiah), the Son of the living God." and 2) Jesus' prediction of his passion, death and Resurrection, followed by his clear teaching on the three conditions of Christian discipleship: "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross and follow me." Life Messages: 1) Jesus wants to become a living, present reality for us, loving us, forgiving us, helping us, transforming our lives and outlook and building a personal relationship with us. 2) We need to surrender our life to Jesus whom we experience as our Lord and Savior. The next step is the surrender of our lives to Jesus whom we have experienced by rendering humble and loving service to others with the strong conviction that Jesus is present in every person.

**PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL:** Please pray for: Reggie Bernardo, Fr. Martin, Hilda Armstrong, Gerard Parker, Valerie Cooper, Mary Lambert, Denis & Norma Savage, Dorothy Meaney, Stella Alberty, Heidi Reid, Gerald & Irene Moriarty, Bibin John, Leone McIntyre, Justin Lefave, Ann Ruigrok, Maurice and Madeleine Belec, Margaret Smith, Margrite Dezainde, John Beriau, Debbie Freer, Shelley McCaffrey, Nelly Kester, Brian Brougham, and Nieves Bonucchi.

**RIDE NEEDED:** There is a Mexican exchange high school student who needs a ride to Mass. She lives on Centennial Road - east of Korim's store. If you are able to help out, please contact the parish office.

<b>MASS SCHEDULE SEPTEMBER 15 – 23, 2018</b>		
Saturday, September 15	5:15 p.m.	Carl Ravnaas
Sunday, September 16	8:30 a.m.	Tom Barr
	10:00 a.m.	Our parishioners
Wednesday, September 19	9:00 a.m.	Paul McDermott
Thursday, September 20	9:00 a.m.	Bob Visneski
Friday, September 21	9:00 a.m.	Unannounced Mass
Saturday, September 22	5:15 p.m.	Our Parishioners
Sunday, September 23	8:30 a.m.	Bill and Marguerite Clifford
	10:00 a.m.	Mike Calnan
<b>The Sanctuary Candle burns this week for: <i>Bob Visneski</i></b>		

<b>Weekly Target:</b> \$3500.00	<b>Actual Offering:</b> September 9: \$ 3318.50	<b>Operating Shortfall:</b> \$181.50
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### CALENDAR OF UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Thursday, September 20	9:30 – 11:00 a.m.	Prayer Group in the Chapel
Friday, September 21	7:00 p.m.	Parish Movie Night – "The Straight Story"

**A NOTE FROM FATHER JACOB:** I will be away from **September 17 – October 5**. In my absence, Father Michael McCarthy will be filling in for the weekend Mass at St. John Bosco and Father Justin Pulikunnel has agreed to celebrate Mass on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. There will not be any Mass on Tuesdays and no Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Adoration on Wednesdays. Also, there will be no **Holy Hour on Friday, October 5**. Please contact Father Price at 613-342-2993 in case of an emergency. Thank you so much to Fathers McCarthy, Price and Pulikunnel for their great support.

**REGISTRATION FOR SACRAMENTS OF FIRST COMMUNION (students in Grade 2) AND CONFIRMATION (students in Grade 6):** These Sacraments will take place in the spring of 2019. **All information including the registration forms will be available at the parents meeting – Tuesday, October 16 at 6:30 p.m. for First Communion and Tuesday, October 30 at 6:30 p.m. for Confirmation.** These forms are not available from the schools, or by fax or mail. **We remind everyone that registration is not the responsibility of the schools, but of the parents/guardians.**

***"You are the Christ. The Son of Man must undergo great suffering." - Mark 8.27-35***

## SEPTEMBER 16, 2018

MINISTRY SCHEDULES				
MASS TIMES	HOSPITALITY	LECTORS	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS	ALTAR SERVERS
Saturday, September 22 5:15 p.m.	Anne Peace Theresa Houston	Joanne Story Mary MacDermott	Sylvia Shackles Cecile Houle	Lauren and Sarah McDonald
Sunday, September 23 8:30 a.m.	Rick Zabloski Noreen Shepherd	Judy Publow Debbie Zabloski	Susan Visneski Marguerite Whiteland	Grace Whiteland
Sunday, September 23 10:00 a.m.	Teresa and Kevin Tanney	Johanne Cardinal Ann Gilliard	Doug Roughton Norma Burns	Christopher Logstrup Joshua O'Keefe Nik Cindric-Myers

**PARISH MOVIE NIGHT:** Our parish movie night is starting again. Our first movie is "The Straight Story" with Richard Farnsworth and Sissy Spacek and it will be held on **Friday, September 21 at 7:00 p.m.** Come out and enjoy a great film!

**ST. JOHN BOSCO 22<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL CRAFT SHOW:** Our annual craft show will take place on **Saturday, October 13<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.** Christmas shop in a welcome friendly atmosphere. Enjoy lunch in Marguerite's kitchen. Door prizes, wheelchair accessible. Admission \$2.00. **There are still a few tables available. Please contact Heather Charbonneau at [hcharbonneau@cogeco.ca](mailto:hcharbonneau@cogeco.ca) if interested.**

**LOAVES AND FISHES:** We support our local Loaves & Fishes with volunteers from our parish community. At present we are in need of 2 people who would be available for the 4th Wednesday of each month, to help with food preparation from 10am until 12 noon. If you would be willing to help, contact Neil Cameron at 613-498-1702.

**JUNIOR LITURGY NEEDS YOUR HELP:** During the summer months, we had two members of our Junior Liturgy team retire. We would like to thank them for their assistance in the past years. We are in need of volunteers to help us continue this program at the 10:00 a.m. Mass. No experience is needed – the lesson plans and craft ideas for each Sunday are provided. If you have the love of God and children and are willing to help out, please contact Father Jacob or the parish office at 613-342-5095.

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY:** Prayerful best wishes to all who are celebrating wedding anniversaries in September:  
**Maxine and Brian Enright 29 years September 23**  
**Norah and Wallace White 56 years September 29**

**CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE:** The first Fall CWL meeting will take place on **Tuesday, September 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm.** Hand-crafted donations for the CWL table at the October 13<sup>th</sup> Craft Show are needed. Time to get busy!

### **HOW THE MASS DREW ME INTO THE CATHOLIC CHURCH – PERSPECTIVES OF A FORMER PENTECOSTAL MINISTER AND A CATHOLIC PRIEST:**

Jason Kelsey, a former Pentecostal minister was received into the Catholic Church in 2015. In this 5-week Fall Faith Formation series at St. FX Church, Jason & Fr. Justin Pulikunnel will touch on key events/beliefs/symbols that "cradle Catholics" too often take for granted, but which the Lord used to help Jason "swim the Tiber". Come join us in exploring the richness of our Catholic faith. A Q&A period will follow. First week - **Wed, Sept. 19 @ 7pm** - The Candle & the Prostration: meaning, awe and reverence.

**TALK ON BIOETHICS:** Scenario: A doctor is suggesting some course of treatment - say, chemotherapy, dialysis, or a surgical intervention, or is asking for a DNR or to remove a ventilator. The patient or the family is wondering what they should do. *How can we judge whether the proposed treatment is morally obligatory or not?* **Understanding the Principles of Ordinary & Extraordinary Means of Preserving Life - Wednesday, September 26<sup>th</sup> @ 7pm at St. FX Church.** Fr. Justin is going to try and give a summary of how to work through treatment decisions.

**SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK:** On **Wednesday, September 26, at the 12:10 pm Mass**, the Sacrament of The Anointing of the Sick will be celebrated communally in St. Francis Xavier Parish for senior citizens, those who are ill, and anyone who feels they are in need of the special graces this sacrament confers. There will be Holy Hour as usual beginning at 11:00 a.m. A light lunch will be served following Mass. As we prepare this celebration, all parishioners are encouraged to pray that God's healing love will be experienced in some way by all who participate.

**JOKE OF THE WEEK:** **A horrible mistake:** Father, I have a besetting sin, and I want your help. I come to church on Sunday and can't help thinking I'm the prettiest girl in the congregation. I know I ought not to think that, but I can't help it. I want you to help me with it." The pastor replied, "Mary, don't worry about it. In your case it's not a sin. It's just a horrible mistake."

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