

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SCRIPTURE MESSAGE: Today's readings invite us to become great in the sight of God by doing God's will, as Jesus did, surrendering our lives in the service of others. In the first reading, the passage from the Book of Wisdom sounds like a messianic prophecy similar to the "Suffering Servant" prophecy in Isaiah referring to Christ's passion. It urges us to choose the path of righteousness in spite of painful consequences. The second reading is in tune with the dispute among the apostles about who is the greatest. In it, James warns us that selfish ambitions destroy peace and cause conflicts and war. So, James advises us to choose the path of righteousness and humble service which leads to lasting peace. In today's Gospel, Jesus gives us a glimpse of what walking that path is, namely, welcoming and serving the vulnerable in our midst: the defenseless children, the despairing poor, the mentally ill and the marginalized. Jesus also teaches his apostles that child-like humility and selfless service make one great in the eyes of God. Life messages: 1) We must become great through humble, self-giving service. Greatness, in Jesus' view, is found in our willingness to accept and welcome and serve those who are considered unacceptable by reason of class, color, religion, wealth or culture. We must welcome people the way a child welcomes them before he is taught discrimination. If we are to be truly great, we must be ready to accept four challenges: (1) to put ourselves last, (2) to be the servant of all, (3) to receive the most insignificant human beings with love, and (4) to expect nothing in return. During the holy Mass let us pray for the true spirit of service and for an attitude of love for those around us. May the Holy Spirit help us to become truly great through humble, selfless service. 2) We need to practice humility in thoughts, words and actions. "Learn from me for I am meek and humble of heart." "What is the essential thing in the religion and discipline of Jesus Christ?" St. Augustine asks, and then responds, "I shall reply: first humility, second humility and third humility." We should not seek recognition and recompense for the service we do for Christ and the Church as parents, teachers, pastors, etc. Trusting Faith resulting from true humility is essential for all corporal and spiritual works of mercy. Since children reflect the innocence, purity, simplicity and tenderness of our Lord, and since they are given the protection of a guardian angel, we are to love them, train them and take care not to give scandal to them. We need to try to treat everyone with love and respect.

WELCOME: We would like to extend a warm welcome to **Father Michael McCarthy** who will be celebrating Mass with us the next two weekends while Father Jacob is on vacation.

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.

MASS SCHEDULE SEPTEMBER 22 – 30, 2018		
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
Wednesday, September 26	9:00 a.m.	Deceased members of the Dennis family
Thursday, September 27	9:00 a.m.	Anne Mary Ryan
Friday, September 28	11:00 a.m.	Phil Zaveda – Bridlewood Manor
Saturday, September 29	5:15 p.m.	Our Parishioners
Sunday, September 30	8:30 a.m.	Ellen MacKenzie
	10:00 a.m.	Tom McDermott
The Sanctuary Candle burns this week for: <i>Intentions of the Wooller family</i>		

Weekly Target: \$3500.00	Actual Offering: September 16: \$ 3091.50	Operating Shortfall: \$408.50
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CALENDAR OF UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Tuesday, September 25	7:00 p.m.	CWL Meeting
Thursday, September 27	9:30 – 11:00 a.m.	Prayer Group in the Chapel
	7:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal

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.

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

“The Son of Man will be betrayed. Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all.” - Mark 9.30-37

SEPTEMBER 23, 2018

MINISTRY SCHEDULES				
MASS TIMES	HOSPITALITY	LECTORS	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS	ALTAR SERVERS
Saturday, September 29 5:15 p.m.	Mary MacDermott Carol Ravnaas	Neil and Margaret Cameron	Joanne Story Melinda Condon	Grace Kelly Allie White
Sunday, September 30 8:30 a.m.	Marguerite and Jill Whiteland	Theresa Iddon Deborah Souder	Judith Hart Heather Charbonneau	Grace Whiteland
Sunday, September 30 10:00 a.m.	Lloyd and Judy Clayton	Dave Cody Robin Reil	Deacon Shawn Souder Larry Baldissera	Isabelle and Liam Heffernan

ST. JOHN BOSCO 22ND ANNUAL CRAFT SHOW: Our annual craft show will take place on **Saturday, October 13th 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. **Please check out the signup sheets in the atrium.**

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 10 a.m. until 12 noon. If you would be willing to help, contact Neil Cameron at 613-498-1702.

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.**

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

NEEDS OF THE CHURCH IN CANADA: Every year, the Bishops of Canada make an appeal for financial assistance to support their work and the work of each diocese by means of the Collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada. This collection will take place on **September 29-30, 2018.** This annual charitable initiative furthers the Bishops' ministry in leading, shepherding, teaching, guiding, sanctifying and pastorally caring for all of God's children, disciples of Christ in Canada.

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.

BROCKVILLE LIFE CHAIN 2018 - SUNDAY SEPT. 30, 2018: A peaceful witness for the unborn will be held on Parkedale Ave. across from the HOME DEPOT between 2-3 pm. Non-graphic signs will be available on the site. Come and support the inherent dignity of all human beings and our duty to defend the vulnerable. Contact Anna Gibbons: 613-345-0860.

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. Second week – **Wednesday, October 3 at 7:00 p.m.** – "Why are you here?": the Real Presence.

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 26th @ 7pm at St. FX Church.**

JOKE OF THE WEEK: The children were lined up in the cafeteria of a Catholic elementary school for lunch. At the head of the table was a large pile of apples. There was a note posted by the fruit. "Take only one," it read." God is watching." At the other end of the line was a large pile of chocolate chip cookies. One child whispered to another, "Take all you want. God's watching the apples."

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