



25th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – 23 SEPTEMBER 2007

“You cannot serve God and wealth.”

(Today’s Readings: Amos 8:4-7; 1 Timothy 2:1-7; Luke 16:1-13)

Announced mass intentions...

- Sat., Sept. 22 5:00PM Mass – Maria Giartino+
- Sun., Sept. 23 **25th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
 8:00AM Mass – Jacqueline Watremez Sparer+
 9:30AM Mass – Mr. & Mrs. Aquilla Berthe+
 11:15AM Mass – Renée Villeneuve+
 7:30PM Mass – Holy Cross Parishioners
- Mon., Sept. 24 12:15PM **NO** Mass
- Tues., Sept. 25 12:15PM Mass
- Wed., Sept. 26 9:00AM Mass for Holy Family School –
 held at the Church
 12:15PM Mass
- Thurs., Sept. 27 9:00AM Communion Service held at
 Billings Lodge
 12:15PM Mass – Mr. & Mrs. Donald Cox+
- Fri., Sept. 28 12:15PM Mass – Liva Urbani+
- Sat., Sept. 29 5:00PM Mass – Holy Cross Parishioners
- Sun., Sept. 30 **26th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
 8:00AM Mass – Martin Sedlar+
 9:30AM Mass – Ashley Hibbard+
 11:15AM Mass – Chiara Traxler+
 7:30PM Mass – Mary Donnelly (Ivg)

Ross, Ray and Betty Valin, Sherri Vallee
-relatives- Tillie Andruchow (mother of Jean Ryan), Cathy Becker (sister of Maureen Monaghan), Mary Beggan (sister of Anne Cooper), Richard Calagoure (brother-in-law of Barbara Riggins), Helen Chynces (sister of Theresa Sarceвич), Barbara Cooper (sister of Imelda Marrast), Monica Desjardins (daughter of Leo), Guy Gosselin (brother-in-law of Theresa Sarceвич), Dan Greenwood (son-in-law of Peggy Soutar), Cathy Jirsch (sister of Aileen Halls), Theresa Lassaline (sister of Mary Simms), Ayin & Godwin Lee (parents of Robert), Jerry Lorbetskie (brother of Dorothy Daub), Oswald Luke (father-in-law of Robert Lee), Marie Miele (mother of Christine), Dominci O’Hara (brother of Monica Ryan), Donald Pajot (brother of Marc), Fr. Dan Sedlar (brother-in-law of Santa), Eleanor Spafford (mother of Barb Goski), Ted Vullings (father of Gerry Vullings)
-the deceased- Helen Barrett+ (sister of Teresa Burton), Mary Sullivan+ (mother of Sandra Hyttenrauch)

COLLECTION REPORT

~ A Summary of Your Generosity ~

16 September – \$5,689.50 (env.) / \$769.22 (loose)

Events Calendar

- Sat., Sept. 22 9:30AM Prayer Group – Rm. A
 4:30PM Rosary – Church
- Sun., Sept. 23 9:30AM Children Liturgy
- Tues., Sept. 25 7:00PM Children’s Liturgy training–Rm. A
 8:00PM A.A. – Hall
- Wed., Sept. 26 7:00PM Parish Pastoral Council – Rm. A
 7:30PM Music (7:30) practice – Church
- Thurs., Sept. 27 6:30PM Christian Meditation – Rm. A
 7:30PM Choir (11:15) practice – Church
- Fri., Sept. 28 1:00PM African Angels – Rm. A
- Sat., Sept. 29 9:30AM Prayer Group – Rm. A
 4:30PM Rosary – Church
- Sun., Sept. 30 9:30AM Children’s Liturgy
 12:15PM Baptisms – Church
 2:30PM Installation of the Knights of
 Columbus – held in the Church

We remember in our prayers the sick...

-our parishioners- Laurette Allen, Brian Beahen (husband of Jackie), Vivian Braganza (husband of Marlene), Francis and Barbara Cullinan, Joan Dumbrell (wife of Bob Irvine), Marie Claire Grandbois, Gertrude Kennedy, Alice Haughton (wife of Bob), Betty Hubbard, Betty Hurst, Patricia Joseph, David Lynn (husband of Myra) Reg MacDonald (husband of Joan), Odette MacKinnon, Romeo Maione (husband of Elizabeth), Margaret McClory, Deacon Bruce McLeod, Yolanda Miron (mother of Mina), Barbara Riggins, Margaret

Pastor’s Column...

A TALE FROM THE BOOK “THE SONG OF THE BIRD”

A neighbour found Nasruddin Mullah on hands and knees.

“What are you searching for, Mullah?”

“My key.”

Both men got on their knees to search. After a while the neighbour says, “Where did you lose it?”

“At home.”

“Good Lord! Then why are you searching here?”

“Because it’s ‘brighter’ here.”

Our God is not a God of convenience. Many presume wealth is God and they misplace God in those so called brighter areas of life. God should be searched where we lost Him. Perhaps let us begin that search right from our homes and family members.

God bless you,
Fr. James Raphel CMF
Pastor

Parish News and Community Life...

OCTOBER—MONTH OF THE ROSARY: The month of October is traditionally celebrated as the month of the Holy Rosary. During the month of October, the Rosary will be recited from Tuesday to Friday at **11:50 a.m.** before the 12:15 Mass. WE WILL ALSO recite a Prayer to Mary after

communion (weekend Masses) throughout the month of October.

"Never will anyone who prays the Rosary everyday be led astray. This is a statement that I would gladly sign with my blood." (St. Louis de Montfort)

PREPARATION FOR SACRAMENTS: PARENTS WITH CHILDREN who do not attend Holy Cross or Holy Family School and who wish to have their child(ren) prepare for the sacraments of confirmation and first communion are asked to call Barbara at the parish office 613-731-7834 to register your child(ren).

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BELONGING TO THE CATHOLIC CHURCH? The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is designed for adults who consciously and freely seek the living God through the Church. The candidates' journey of faith with the community leads to the sacraments of baptism and/or confirmation and communion for the first time in the celebration of the Eucharist. If you or anyone you know is interested in joining RCIA, please call the parish office 613-731-7834.

SUNDAY CHILDREN'S LITURGY: We would like to remind all volunteers for Children's Liturgy that there is a meeting on Tuesday, September 25 at 7 p.m. in the church. All are encouraged to attend.

THE 9:30 MUSIC GROUP, PAX, is urgently seeking to audition new members - singers and/or instrumentalists - who should have a reasonable amount of musical training/ability and experience. Familiarity with our repertoire would be desirable. Practice occurs once every 2 weeks. Weekly attendance is not mandatory, but regular attendance is (e.g. bi-weekly, if necessary). Please call Lizzy Ann Spencer at 613-230-0598 or lizzyann@magma.ca.

ATTENTION PARISHIONERS: HOLY CROSS' MEMORY BOOK: If you have not yet booked your photo session for Holy Cross' Memory Book there are still dates available in the binder provided at the entrance of the Church. Whether you're booking as a family or as a couple or as an individual, you will receive a FREE COPY of the book once completed. We want the whole hearted cooperation of all the parishioners to make this project successful.

Knights of Columbus are inviting every one to a delicious **THANKSGIVING PIG ROAST** on **Friday, October 05**. Doors open at 6 p.m. and dinner starts at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$15 per person (there is no cost for children 12 years and under). There will be dinner and dancing music. Tickets will be sold after all Masses at the Walkley Rd. entrance.

PASTORAL CARE

ON OCCASION we need drivers to take our parishioner(s) to medical/dental appointments. Please let us know if you are able to help by calling Simonne Larouche at 613-738-7590.

Our Pastoral Care Team Members are available to visit the sick and/or bring Holy Communion. Please call Betty Dillon at 613-521-2887.

Social Action..

MISSION, PEACE, AND DEVELOPMENT

The fall educational campaign of the Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace (D&P) will focus for a second year on mining and the impact that Canadian mining companies have on the poor in Africa, Asia and Latin America. As part of the campaign, D&P is calling upon the government of Canada to set up an independent ombudsperson office to investigate environmental and human rights complaints against Canadian mining companies operating in the Global South. A workshop to explain more about the campaign has been organized for Saturday October 20 from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at St. Joseph's Church, 151 Laurier Ave. East. A light lunch will be served.

Other items of interest...

BEGINNING AGAIN SEMINAR: A WORKSHOP/SEMINAR intended for those who have been recently separated or divorced and deals with the issues of getting on with life after the trauma of a failed relationship. Location: Diocesan Centre, 1247 Kilborn Place. Date: Saturday, October 20 from 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. Cost: \$40. For registration or for more information: deaconpaul@ecclesia-ottawa.org.

SAINT OF THE WEEK

ST. MATTHEW

Feast Day – September 21

Nobody likes taxes. Looking at our first pay check, we may bemoan that the government gets more than we do. While that's not quite true, it often does feel like the government takes more than its fair share of our income.

In first-century Palestine, sometimes the government—or more precisely the government tax collector—did take more than his fair share. Anything the tax collector could extort over and above the listed taxes was his to keep.

St. Matthew was one of those despised tax collectors. Then he met Jesus and everything changed. Jesus said, "Follow me," and Matthew did. He left his job, his wealth, and his friends. Tradition says the tax collector became a saint by dying a martyr's death in Ethiopia.

Few things in life are as inevitable as taxes. As the saying goes, the only sure things are death and taxes. But taxes aren't limited to the funds we pay the government to keep itself running. Sometimes we levy heavy taxes on ourselves. When we make ourselves keep paying and paying for some mistake, when we expect perfection, when we are unwilling to forgive others, we pay a higher tax for being human than anyone, even God, expects. We all have a price to pay for being human, but we don't have to become self-extortionists, expecting more of ourselves than we can possibly pay.

IN YOUR GENEROSITY, please consider a donation or bequest to Holy Cross Parish