



25th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – 23 SEPTEMBER 2018

**“Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me,
and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.”**

(Today's Readings: Wisdom 2:12, 17-20; James 3:16-4:3; Mark 9:30-37)

Announced Mass intentions

Sat., Sept. 22	5:00PM YOUTH MASS Renée Gardner+
Sun., Sept. 23	25th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 8:00AM Mass – Holy Cross Parishioners 9:30AM Mass – Belanger Family (lvg) Hamilton Sequeira+ Hazel Poirier+ 11:15AM Doug Heney+
Mon., Sept. 24	NO MASS
Tues., Sept. 25	9:30AM Mass – Ralph Gardner+
Wed., Sept. 26	12:15PM Mass – Roger Milan+
Thurs., Sept. 27	10:30AM Communion service held at Windsor Park Manor 12:15PM Mass – Oscar Bangit+
Fri., Sept. 28	12:15PM Mass – Doherty Family+ Jim Howard+
Sat., Sept. 29	5:00PM Mass – Constance Harris+
Sun., Sept. 30	26th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 8:00AM Mass – Rigden Family+ 9:30AM Mass – In Thanksgiving 11:15AM Mass – Ralph D'Cruz+

Events Calendar ...

Sat., Sept. 22	9:30AM Fashion show team mtg – Hall 9:30AM Prayer Group – Rm. A
Sun., Sept. 23	9:30AM Children's Liturgy Bishop Bourgon speaking at all the Masses
Mon., Sept. 24	12:30PM Potato Peelers – Hall 6:30PM Faith Formation Series – Journey Through the Bible – The Virgin Mary – Hall
Tues., Sept. 25	8:00PM A.A. – Hall
Wed., Sept. 26	10:00AM Pastoral Care meeting - Library 6:30PM Parish Pastoral Council – Rm. A 7:30PM Choir (11:15) practice – Church
Thurs., Sept. 27	6:00PM K of C Admission Degree – Hall 7:00PM Choir (11:15) practice – Church
Sat., Sept. 29	9:30AM Fashion show support group meeting – Hall 9:30AM Prayer Group – Rm. A 6:00PM Parent & Youth information meeting – Hall
Sun., Sept. 30	9:30AM Children's Liturgy 12:30PM Baptisms – Church

COLLECTION REPORT

Attawapiskat - \$9,510.00

16 September 2018 – \$3,021.30 (env) / \$630.70 (loose)

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Pastor's Message...

THANK YOU!!

The celebration of the Feast of Holy Cross was an occasion of joy and unity of our parish. It reminds us of who we are and what discipleship means as Christians. Thanks to Fr. Tavis Goski for presiding over the Mass and for his homily.

THANK YOU to all who participated in making our **FEAST DAY** an occasion of blessings. I wish to extend my heartfelt gratitude to all the volunteers in many different ministries. I would like to acknowledge the hard work of the Hospitality Committee, our Music Groups, the Knights of Columbus, our Liturgy Coordinators, Recycling Team, our Seniors Group and the Youth Group. I would also like to thank everyone who made the extra effort in participating in the evening Masses in preparation for our Feast Day. Once again congratulations and appreciations of all of you!

It gives me immense joy to see the enthusiasm and appreciation to all who are attending our **Faith Formation programme**. May Blessed Mary guide all the steps we have taken in this Jubilee Year!

God bless.
Fr. Lukose
Pastor

Deacon's Column...

THE NATURE OF TRUE SUCCESS

After a day of walking the hot, dusty roads of Galilee to Capernaum, Jesus asks his apostles what they have been talking about on their journey, even though he knows full well they have been discussing such things as success, glory, and greatness. However, the apostles are too embarrassed to admit it, suspecting their interest in worldly success is far too self-centred to be praiseworthy. Jesus' response is a surprising one. He doesn't tell them they shouldn't desire to excel, to achieve, to do great things. He doesn't condemn this very normal impulse - because he knows that achieving things, making a difference in the world, is a basic need felt by every human heart. In fact, this is one of the purposes of our lives: being a sign of God's goodness by making a positive difference in the world. Jesus doesn't scold them for wanting to do something great but instead tells them what true greatness really is.

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The great task for every Christian isn't to achieve fame and fortune, popularity, power, and worldly success. Rather, it is the same task Jesus himself undertook: to serve others, to make others happy, to reach out to those who are weak and in need, like little children. Greatness in Jesus' Kingdom is equated with humility, an attitude of the heart that puts the good of others ahead of one's own preferences: it's self-giving, not self-getting. He doesn't say to his apostles, "Don't strive to achieve great things," but he does point out where true, lasting, fulfilling greatness lies - in loving one's neighbour as Jesus himself has loved them. Jesus is the Servant-Lord; we, his faithful disciples, are called to follow in those demanding footsteps.

God bless,
Deacon John

Parish News and Community Life...

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 interested in RCIA, call the parish office at 613-731-7834 to register your name. Our Faith Formation Programme is one step forward for the RCIA Candidates.

HOLY CROSS' 2018 FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM

The Bible and the Virgin Mary unveils the mystery of Our Lady that is woven into the fabric of Sacred Scripture. Visually stunning lessons (two lessons per evening) convey the beauty of the doctrine and devotion surrounding Mary, bringing them to life in a powerful, new way. This study has something for everyone.

THEME: *Journey Through the Bible – The Virgin Mary*

DATE: **Sept. 24; Oct. 01, 15 & 29 and Nov. 05**

TIME: **6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.**

Session 2: Monday, September 24 – *Wedding at Cana, Garden in Eden / The New Eve*

Session 3: Monday, October 01 – *The Ark of the New Covenant / Born of a Virgin*

Session 4: Monday, October 15 – *The Promised Mother / Mother Crowned in Glory*

Session 5: Monday, October 29 – *Full of Grace / All Holy*

Session 6: Monday, November 05 – *The Assumption / Always a Mother*

Free-will offering will be gratefully accepted. All are welcome; invite your friends and family members.

CAN WE FIND YOU!!

As part of our Jubilee celebration, we are looking for the names of those who were members of the parish from the very beginning (50 years ago!). We want to acknowledge and recognize their sacrifices in building up Holy Cross to where it is today. The Parish Jubilee Committee is asking that you please provide them with your name and phone number and place it in the Jubilee suggestion box at the entrance of the

Church (paper is provided on the table next to the box). If you know anybody who is away from the parish for whatever reason, please provide us with their names as well. Let us all celebrate our faith journey together!

YOUTH CORNER



CALLING ALL YOUTH ages 12 to 25 and their parents. There will be an information and registration session for Holy Cross Youth Group on Saturday September 29 following the 5:00 p.m. Youth Mass. The

meeting will be held from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. in the parish hall and dinner will be provided. See the youth bulletin board for details or contact Debbie Kuchciak at 613-731-8687 or email debbiekuchciak@gmail.com

Social Justice...

PRO LIFE MASS celebrated by Fr. Eslin Pereira CMF on Saturday, September 29 at 9:00 a.m. at St Bernard Parish, 1720 St. Bernard St. Refreshments served after the Mass.

LIFE CHAIN – Sunday, September 30 from 2 – 3 pm, at the corner of Bank St. and Hunt Club Rd., is a prayerful and peaceful street witness to support the lives of unborn children and is held simultaneously in more than 200 locations across Canada each year. Just show up for one hour, stand on the sidewalk with others and pray to end abortion. Please help make a difference in the lives of the innocent!

Floods in Kerela, India: The Canadian Catholic Organization for Development & Peace – Caritas Canada has allocated \$50,000 to provide rapid assistance to the most vulnerable and marginalized flood victims and to support its partner Caritas India, who is already on the ground helping those most affected. Info: [Development and Peace extends a helping hand.](#)

Other interests...

Please see **FRIDAY FAX** posted on the bulletin board at the entrance of the Church.

Commemorating the Faithful Departed at Hope Cemetery: At Hope Cemetery **Sunday, September 23 at 2:30 p.m.**, celebrated by Archbishop Prendergast. Info: (613-822-1212).

OUR LADY OF GOOD SUCCESS-PROPHECIES FOR OUR TIMES: Spiritual Motherhood of Priests is inviting all men, women, clergy and religious to **7TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE** featuring Matthew Arnold. Holy Redeemer, 44 Rothesay Dr., **Saturday, September 29 from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.** with closing Mass at 5 pm with Bishop Christian Riesbeck CC. Cost: \$50 (includes; lunch – please indicate gluten free). RSVP or information go to www.spiritualmotherhoodofpriests.ca; spiritualmotherhoodottawa@gmail.com.

RED MASS: At Notre Dame Cathedral, **Tuesday, October 09 at 5 p.m.** Presided by Archbishop Terrence Prendergast SJ. Marks the opening of the fall session of the law courts and is sponsored by the Saint Thomas More Lawyers' Guild of Ottawa. All judges and lawyers are invited to attend. Lawyers are also invited to gown for the procession and to confirm attendance (anotion@antonio.pro).