

# THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF ST. JOHN THE APOSTLE

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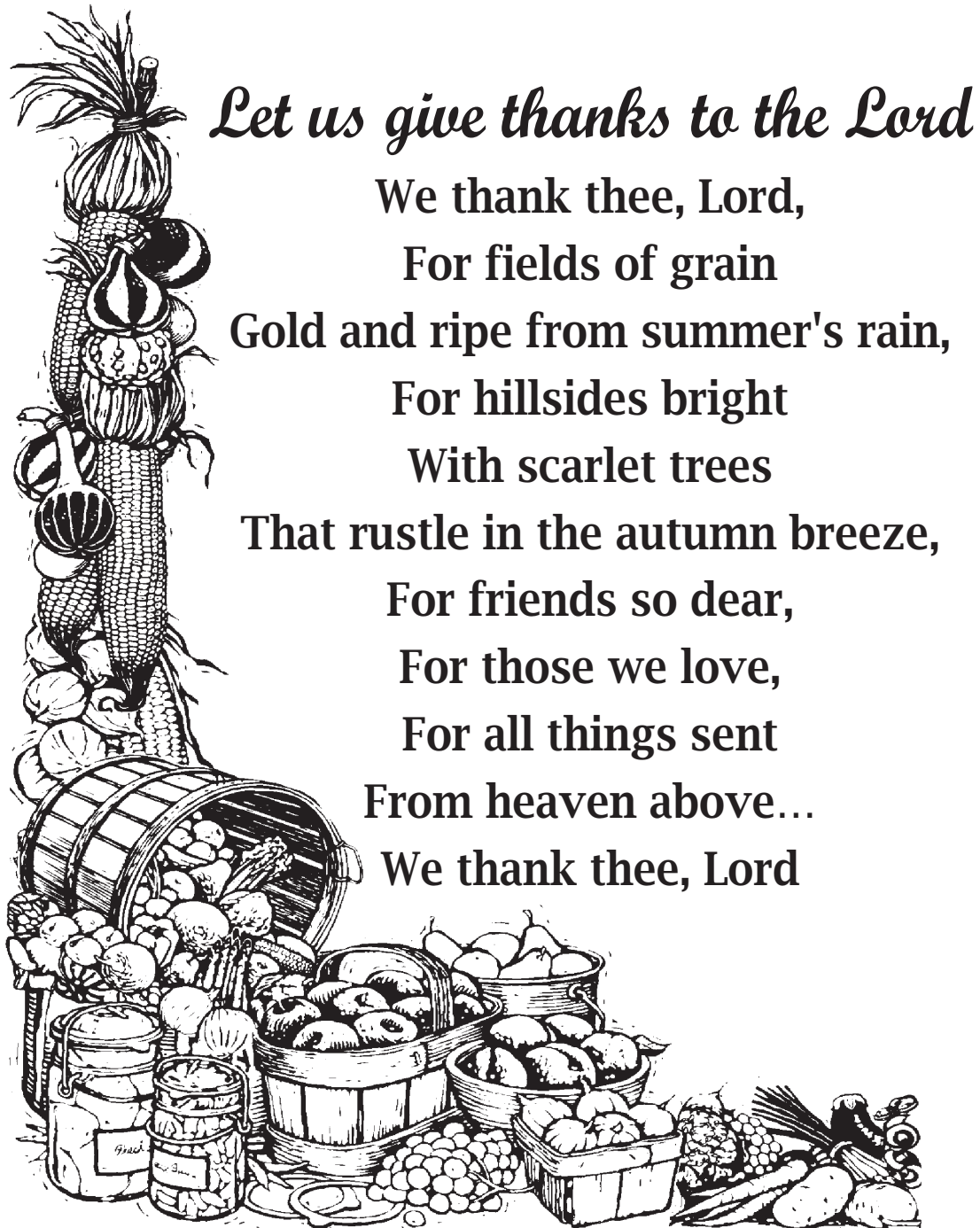
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*Let us give thanks to the Lord*

We thank thee, Lord,

For fields of grain

Gold and ripe from summer's rain,

For hillsides bright

With scarlet trees

That rustle in the autumn breeze,

For friends so dear,

For those we love,

For all things sent

From heaven above...

We thank thee, Lord



## Annual call for Volunteers!!

You will find in your pews descriptions of various ministries in our church. Without them our church could not function. All these ministries are served by volunteers. Please consider bringing your gifts, talents and presence to St. John the Apostle in an effort to build-up our parish together, after a very challenging few years. The time commitment for many ministries is minimal, but invaluable to our parish life. If you want more information, please contact the parish office.

*Your talent is God's Gift to you.  
What you do with it is your gift to God.*



## POTLUCK SUPPER FOR VISITING STUDENTS

The Parish intends to host a potluck supper for visiting students on **Friday, October 27th**, in the Main hall. Parishioners are asked to volunteer to be hosts and to contribute to the meal by cooking a dish for the event.

We are looking to host about 60 students from outside Ottawa who are attending the post-secondary institutions in the city – Algonquin College, Carleton University, and Ottawa University. **The aim of this dinner is to give those students, particularly first year students, a chance to meet and converse with Ottawans and give them a chance to connect with new friends and relieve themselves of any feelings of loneliness.**

No one is expected to make a dish to feed over 60 people, but rather we need many parishioners, each making one dish (perhaps feeding 4 or 6 people). A sign-up sheet are at both entrances where you can sign up and also indicate what dish you can contribute. The more varied dishes, the better!

**To make it a success, St John the Apostle needs your help, not only with preparing a dish, but also be in attendance to act as hosts and participate in conversations.**

## Dates to Remember

**Oct. 20<sup>th</sup> – 40 Days for Life – St. John the Apostle Vigil Day**

**Oct. 22<sup>nd</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> – Parish Mission**

**Oct. 27<sup>th</sup> - Potluck Supper for Visiting Students**



**PARISH MISSION WITH  
FR. EUGENE O'REILLY**

Our Parish Mission will run from  
**Sunday, Oct. 22<sup>nd</sup> to**  
**Wednesday, Oct. 25<sup>th</sup>**  
**at 7:30pm – 8:30pm** in the Church  
and will be conducted by Redemptorist  
Father Eugene O'Reilly.

Mission themes:

Sunday, Oct. 22<sup>nd</sup> – Intimacy with God/Self

Monday, Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup> – Beatitudes – Living  
the values of Jesus today

Tuesday, Oct. 24<sup>th</sup> – Reconciliation  
(extra priests to hear confessions)

Wednesday, Oct. 25<sup>th</sup> – Discipleship  
(with Mass)

***Invite your family and friends***  
***Everyone is welcome!***

*The Mission is just two weeks away!  
Have you decided to make it? Too busy?  
Heard it all before? You are beyond help  
because divorced? Remarried? Haven't  
been to church in years? These are  
excuses (not reasons) for avoiding the  
Mission. Weigh them well against the  
generous love of God who wants to speak  
to you. No matter what your decision, can I  
ask you to pray about the Mission? Prayer,  
as you know, changes things. Pray for  
yourself, for others. God will not refuse a  
heart raised to him in sincere prayer.  
Prayer will do for us what no other force on  
earth can do.*



## SUNDAY SMILE

What was the turkey thankful for on Thanksgiving? Vegetarians.

What do you call a turkey the day after Thanksgiving? Lucky!

What did the turkey say to the turkey hunter on Thanksgiving Day? Quack, quack!

## Financial Report

In this weekend's bulletin you will find an insert, our Parish's detailed financial statement for last year. As you will see, our financial position remains strong, and this is only due to your continued ongoing support throughout the years.

I am very appreciative and thankful for all your financial and spiritual support.

May God bless you all!

*Father Emeka*



TOWARDS  
HEALING

**Archdiocese of Ottawa-Cornwall Campaign  
Indigenous Reconciliation Fund  
Special Collection November 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup>**

This weekend our families gather to give thanks to the Father for our many blessings. One of the ways that we can show our appreciation is by sharing with others. We are asking you to support the Indigenous Reconciliation Fund on November 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup>. All monies raised will be used to support initiatives by local indigenous groups and organizations. One project that has received funding, thanks to your generosity, is a series of six retreats organized by Kateri Native Ministry to promote healing and reconciliation. Learn more at [www.journeyforhealing.ca](http://www.journeyforhealing.ca)

Pick up a copy of the Archbishop's Message at the entrances of the Church.

## Mass Intentions

**Sat. Oct. 7th – 9:00am**

For the protection of all human life.

**Sat. Oct. 7th - 5:00pm**

✠Adele White by her husband and granddaughter.  
For the health of Barbara Pamminer by Marie and Jodi Epps and family.

**Sun. Oct. 8th – 8:00am**

For the intentions of all our parishioners.

**Sun. Oct. 8th – 10:30am**

✠Mary Lou and Michael McCoy by Sue, Graham, Sharon and Stuart.

For Tristan San Jose on his special birthday by Marie and Jodi Epps and family.

Blessings on Liana on her first birthday by Mom and Dad.

**Sat. Oct. 14th - 5:00pm**

✠Madeleine Cardinal by Kathleen and Ralph Watzenboeck

✠Adele White by her husband and granddaughter.  
Intentions of Elsa Williams on her birthday by Vanessa and Keith Doherty

**Sun. Oct. 15th – 8:00am**

For the intentions of all our parishioners.

**Sun. Oct. 15th – 10:30am**

✠Sheila Berrea by the family

✠Andrzej Bielanski by the family

✠Dennis Smith by Carolyn Beaton

✠ indicates deceased

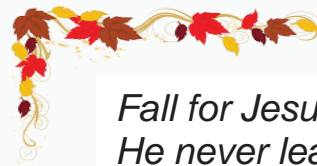
**40 Days for Life Campaign: St. John the Apostle  
40 Days for Life Vigil day - Friday, October 20<sup>th</sup>.**

Prayer vigil site, southwest corner of Queen and Bank Streets. Info: 613-299-2515.

Sign up sheet in the Glass house.

## Holy Father's Intention for October

For the Synod: We pray for the Church, that she may adopt listening and dialogue as a lifestyle at every level, and allow herself to be guided by the Holy Spirit towards the peripheries of the world.



*Fall for Jesus  
He never leaves*



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