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September 20, 2020

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

From the desk of Fr. Rob.....

Life is a journey. Sounds like a cliché doesn't it? But it is true. From the moment we are born and experience the gift of grace in baptism, we are on a journey of discovering the Lord each day. In today's first reading, the prophet Isaiah begins by simply saying: "Seek the Lord, while he may be found, call upon him while he is near;" It is an invitation to draw close to the Lord each day in prayer and in attentiveness to God's will. Especially in challenging times where we find ourselves lacking patience or becoming disagreeable or even worse, a life of prayer is a good antidote. Seeking the Lord each day and opening our hearts to the gifts of the Holy Spirit will help ward off even the darkest of clouds in our day.

Like the labourers in the parable; each of us is asked to go out into the vineyard and work for the Lord. We cannot and indeed must not answer for another or even concern ourselves with their progress or seeming lack of it besides being compassionate towards them and keeping them close in prayer as we pray they experience God's grace. God's mysterious grace is always at work in human hearts. Faith is trusting that God knows what God is doing; that should be enough for us if we truly believe. Like the parables heard over the last few weeks, we are meant to stand in wonder at just what a loving, merciful and generous God we have and allow the gift of grace to strengthen everyone.

***as of press time (Thurs. 11 am), our roof project at SJV is delayed so weekday mass will continue as usual this week unless announced otherwise on weekend.**

Pastoral Team

Pastor:

Fr. Rob Rocheleau

Associate Pastor:

Fr. Daniel Bombardier

Pastoral Minister:

Rachelle Leslie

Coordinator of Youth & Family Ministry:

Maria Mollica

Priest Chaplains to St. Anthony:

Fr. Barnabas Kiss OFM & Fr. Angelus Ligeti OFM

New Mass Schedule (Temporary times due to COVID-19):

Saturday

5 pm Our Lady of the Atonement

5 pm St. John Vianney

Sunday

8:30 am Our Lady of the Atonement for

St. Vincent de Paul Parish

9:00 am St. John Vianney

10:30 am Our Lady of the Atonement

The mass for Hungarian Community is on hold
for time being

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Available by appointment only at this time.

Call the office to arrange a time.

Baptism

Contact the Pastoral Minister to discuss baptism.

Marriage

Contact the office at least eight months in advance.

Marriage preparation is required.

Sacrament of the Sick


Communal Celebrations Seasonally.

Individually anytime - Speak to one of the priests.

Office Hours

Monday: 9 am-3 pm

Tuesday-Friday: 9 am-4pm

Vocations Calendar Please Pray for...		
Monday, September 21 <i>St. Matthew the Apostle</i> Fr. Zbigniew Sawicki		
Tuesday, September 22 9 am @ SJV Fr. Olivet Okoro	Anna Iatonna- Anthony & Cheryl Macari Dak Saba- Wife, Juliette Nerry Mendoza 2nd Anniversary- Her Family	
Wednesday, September 23 9 am @ OLOA <i>St. Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio)</i> Fr. Daniel Morand	Marietta Magat Cunanan- Her Family Gus Out- His wife Willie Tony Portelli- His wife Adalia	
Thursday, September 24 9 am @ SJV Deacon Brian Hanley	Dak Saba- Wife, Juliette Joseph Biales- Helen Biales Maria Di Pietro- Michelina Crescenzi	
Friday, September 25 9 am @ OLOA <i>St. Cosmas & St. Damian, Martyrs</i> Deacon David Callaghan	Vivian Maurice- Bernie & Vern Gannon Anna Iatonna- Tony & Irene Pollicella Dominga Reyes- Bobby, Alexis & Family	
Saturday, September 26 5 pm SJV 5 pm OLOA <i>St. Jean de Brebeuf,</i> <i>St. Isaac Jogues & Companions</i> Fr. Paul Duplessie O.F.M. Cap	Intentions of the Parishioners	
Sunday, September 27 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:30 am OLOA 9 am SJV 10:30 am OLOA Deacon Matt Sutton	Intentions of the Parishioners 1st Reading: Ezekiel 18.25-28 2nd Reading: Philippians 2.1-11 Gospel: Matthew 21.28-32	

Sacrament of Reconciliation

At this time confessions are best available by simply calling to make an appointment with Fr. Rob or Fr. Daniel. Most often we can arrange to meet after a daily mass or as schedules permit.

Since we have finally caught up for the moment with our baptisms which we have been doing on Saturdays, we are able to schedule confessions next Saturday, September 26th: 11 am to noon at Our Lady of the Atonement.

Website for Our Parish Family

Please visit our website at:

www.eastwindsorcatholic.dol.ca

The site has all the latest information in regards to updates and latest happenings for our parish family. You can subscribe to our on-line bulletin so that it will be delivered each week to your email inbox.

SACRAMENTAL UPDATE

Already we have received calls from parents now that school has started regarding Confirmation and First Reconciliation/Eucharist. The pastoral team spent Wednesday afternoon in our weekly meeting looking at how we are going to approach these sacraments for the coming year. We want to give the schools a chance to settle into a rhythm and also do some further research into what we can offer in terms of preparation and catechesis. We know that what we have been able to do in the past may not be possible under the present circumstances. We are researching a variety of on-line catechetical resources and working with our schools.

For the time being, parents are asked to stay tuned to the parish website where we will post information as soon as we get some further details worked out.

Pop Cans for the St. Vincent de Paul Society



Please continue to collect your pop cans and bring them to the new drop box located behind the Family Centre (at the very back – big white box you can't miss it!) at Our Lady of the Atonement Parish. The cans provide a reliable source of income for the Society and its outreach ministry to the poor.

There is a Time for Everything under Heaven...

Let us all pray for all those who are in need of healing, at home, nursing homes or in hospital, and all those who care for them. Let us pray also for our deceased parishioners and family members who have died:

Christine Doktorcik, Albert Ellul

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. May the Risen Lord bring peace and comfort to those who mourn.

PARISH UPDATE

We continue to abide by a variety of directives from the Diocese, Province, City and Health Units. While there is a great desire among all of us to resume our regular schedule of parish activities, we must continue to be patient.

Groups are encouraged to keep meeting via the use of virtual means and keeping your members informed.

We must recall that civic authorities are asking all of us to limit our social exposure so in-person group meetings, social events etc. are all on pause for the time being.

At this time our liturgies remain without our music ministry. We all like to sing and certainly miss our dedicated musicians and choirs. We know the present time does not allow for congregational singing. Hopefully soon we will be able to expand our musical capabilities.

The pastoral team continues to meet weekly to stay informed of the various protocols as well as look for ways of best preparing for the next few months with a well thought out plan of action. We must all remain patient, charitable and hopeful. We are grateful for the spirit of assistance that is present.



THANKSGIVING IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER-OCTOBER 12TH

God is always so good to us and we are blessed. This time of year enables us to share our blessings. Our St. Vincent de Paul Societies rely on our support to help them meet the needs of those who call upon us. During the time of quarantine, our volunteers continued to respond to the needs of the poor. THANK YOU!

Food items are needed to help stock our shelves as calls are starting to increase. If you are able, bring some food donations with you when you come to mass October 10/11 weekend. We are working out the details right now to ensure physical distancing etc. when you arrive at church with your offerings.



SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

We recently welcomed through the waters of baptism:

***Aiden Kagayatan
Rona & Quinton Nugent,
Sophie Toth***

May the Lord bless you as you begin your journey of discipleship.

Please contact Rachelle in the parish office for any baptism inquiries-519-735-6023.



Would you like to offer a memorial mass for a deceased loved one, a mass of Thanksgiving or Special Intentions for a loved one?

We have Fall dates available. Please contact Robin in the office to make arrangements. The offering is \$10.00 including a complimentary card.

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