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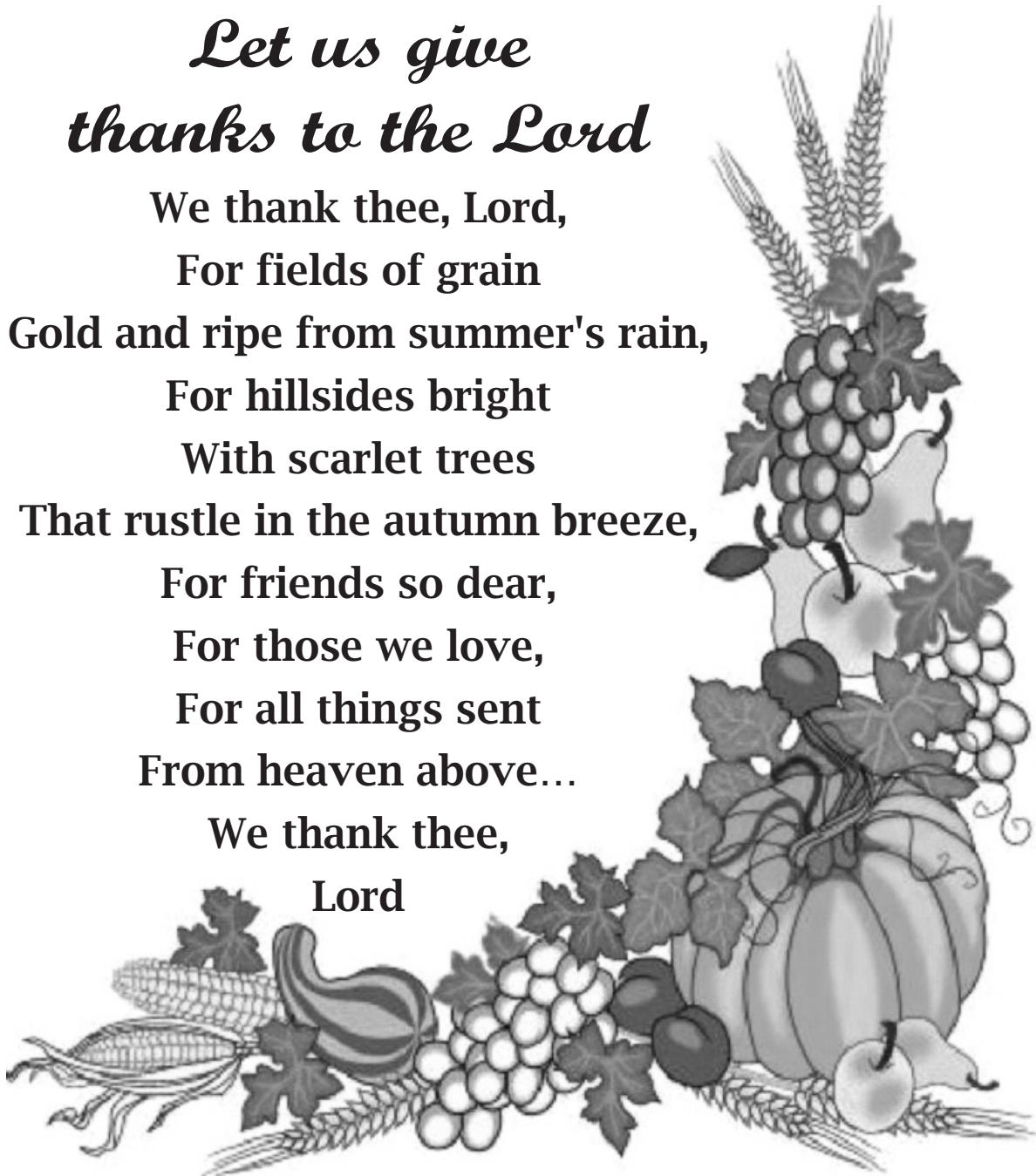
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Let us give thanks to the Lord

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



PASTOR'S DESK – October 11th, 2026
The 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Grateful Stewardship - Matthew 22.1-14 – “Count Your Blessings”

A steward is one who receives God's gifts gratefully, develops those gifts responsibly, shares those gifts lovingly in justice with others, and makes a return with interest to the Lord. As stewards we are called to be grateful disciples of Christ. Gratitude is at the very core of what it means to be a steward. Let us take some time to concretely identify all of the blessings the Lord has bestowed on us this past year.

Down memory lane... history of our parish: Vatican Council II brought significant change to many parishes... some where the old altars remain still. In September of 1966 (close of the Council) the communion railing was taken down, allowing the faithful to receive Holy Communion standing, rather than kneeling. One altar was removed to make room for the choir and organ console, which were brought down from the balcony. A 36-foot-high wooden screen with cloth curtain was built behind the main altar to hide the organ pipes from view, so as not to detract from the altar. The main altar was raised so that parishioners could see the Mass more clearly. (back then church was packed) In March of 1967, the new sanctuary and organ were blessed. Eventually, in 1982, the Blessed Sacrament side altar was removed and relocated to a side alcove (at present) In its place Wilfred Schwarzkogler (artist) installed a bronze baptismal font with warm running water.

Some Nuggets from Homily Sunday Oct. 4 (Fr Frank)

Prayer does not always change the situation immediately, but it changes the way we face the situation. St Paul then promise that "the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding" will guard our hearts and minds in Christ Jesus. If God were to inspect my vineyard today, what fruit would he find?" Is there justice? Is there compassion? Is there forgiveness? Is there generosity? Is there humility? Is there love? God has entrusted each of us with a little part of his vineyard. May we never forget that we are stewards, not owners. And one day God will ask: "What fruit did you produce?" May God find in our lives not just leaves and promises, but good fruit---fruit that brings justice, compassion, love and hope to others.

During his Sunday Angelus, (Oct 4) Pope Leo reflects on God's mercy and recalls Saint Francis of Assisi on the eighth centenary of his death, inviting the faithful to pray for peace and build harmony among peoples. Addressing those gathered in Saint Peter's Square, the Pope reflected on the Gospel parable of the vineyard, which sheds light on Jesus' life and mission.... recalled Saint Francis of Assisi, holding up his witness of faith and fraternal love as a path towards renewing the Church and building peace.

Anne Rolfe, Margaret Heaslip, Brenda Gervais, Pat O'Neill, James Fraser, Richard Bowen, Marie Springhall, Paul O'Grady, John Leman, Deacon Chris Moffat,



Frances Grandbois, the seniors at the Ravines and at Stirling Park, those who are isolated, lonely and those suffering from mental illness.

VIGIL LIGHT INTENTION

The vigil light in front of the Blessed Sacrament is reserved for:

October 11th ~ Lee and Gisele

CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in January 2026 & support the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and

advertise your product or service. Call
Liturgical Publications at: 1-800-268-2637.

PARISH NEWS CORNER

RUMMAGE SALE

The Social Action Committee's Rummage Sale will be held **on Sat., OCT 31, from 10 am to 12 p.m.** in the **Parish Hall**. Donations of clothing, household items, small appliances, books, toys, etc. are welcome. Donations may be left on the parish hall stage, from Mon., OCT 26 to Fri., OCT 30. Volunteers are needed during the week to help sort and prepare items for the sale and on Saturday to help with the sale. If you would like to volunteer, please call **Denis 613-290-3028**.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION CLASSES

FIRST COMMUNION SESSION

A registration and information session for First Communion will be held **on Tuesday, October 20th at 6:00 p.m.** in the **Parish Hall**. Please bring a copy of your child's **baptismal certificate** and \$25 for the required books. For more information please contact: corymaeomega@gmail.com

CONFIRMATION SESSION

An information and registration session will take place in the Parish Hall on **Saturday, November 14th at 3:30 p.m.** For more information please contact: Anna Frangione at: amfrangia@yahoo.ca.

WORLD MISSION DAY

One in Christ, United in Mission

Let us celebrate the **100th Anniversary of World Mission Day** on **Sunday, October 18th, 2026**. World Mission Day is an opportunity for us to celebrate the universal Church and renew our commitment to evangelization. The collection will be taken up at all Masses next weekend Oct 17/18th. Envelopes are in your Sunday Offering Boxes. We Thank you for your support!

16TH ANNUAL AUTUMN PILGRIMAGE

Join us on **October 18th** for a special day of faith, prayer, fellowship, and spiritual renewal! Our pilgrimage will include a visit to St. Joseph's Oratory, with an afternoon stop at Shrine of St. Kateri Tekakwitha. Bus departures available from various locations.

SPACE IS LIMITED — RESERVE EARLY!

Information & Reservations: 613-224-8110

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Oct. 4th TO Oct. 10th

Sun. Oct. 11	9:00 a.m.	<i>For Karen Lee Hines by Diane and Ron Brule</i>
Sun. Oct. 11	10:30 a.m.	<i>Missa Pro Pupulo</i>
Mon. Oct. 12	8:30 a.m.	<i>For the Healing of Rylin and the conversion of those who hurt her by Matthew</i>
Tues. Oct. 13	8:30 a.m.	<i>For the Healing of Rylin, her friends and family and those whose hearts are hurting by Matthew.</i>
Wed. Oct. 14	8:30 a.m.	
Thurs. Oct. 8	8:30 a.m.	
Fri. Oct. 9	8:30 a.m.	<i>Mass</i>
Sat. Oct. 10	8:30 a.m.	<i>Mass</i>
Sat. Oct. 10	4:30 p.m.	<i>For the Repose of the Soul of Martin Nune's on the third Anniversary of his death by the Nunes Family.</i>

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