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MISSION STATEMENT: We, the parishioners of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, provide a caring, welcoming environment to all who seek to grow in the Catholic faith through Eucharistic Celebration, Sacraments, and Service in the surrounding community.



# Twenty— Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time September 19, 2021



"BEING A MISSION-ORIENTED CHURCH THAT FORMS DISCIPLES OF JESUS."

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#### **EUCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS**

Saturday at 5:00 pm. Sunday at 9:00 am. & 11:00 am.

#### WEEKDAY MASSES

Announced Masses inside bulletin

#### SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION

**Baptism:** Register Online

First Communion & First Reconciliation:

Registration in October 2021

**Confirmation** - Registration in October 2021

#### SACRAMENTS OF HEALING

**Reconciliation:** Saturday 4:00–4:45 pm. **Sacrament of the Sick:** Please call Fr. Tony

#### **SACRAMENTS OF SERVICE**

Marriage: Call Fr. Tony at least six months in advance

Holy Orders: Contact Fr. Tony

#### PARISH COMMITTEES & GROUPS

FINANCE COMMITTEE: Diane Bortolin KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:

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CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE: Diane Miller, President

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL:

Gail Lee-Woodcock, President

PASTORAL CARE MINISTRY: Dory Jimenez SOCIAL JUSTICE: Bonnie Drago



Welcome! We are glad you joined us! Registration forms are available online—on our website. If you need to update your information on record, please email or call the office 519-966-1953 ext. 20.

#### **BAPTISM**

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#### Our next Baptismal dates are October 9 & 10.

Please direct questions to Christine at 519-966-1953, Ext:24 or email her ctoffolon@dol.ca
The online baptism registration form found on our website must be filled out. Once received, you will be

website must be filled out. Once received, you will be contacted by Christine with the one required baptismal prep night and the times for the baptisms. Further information is found on our website.

#### ANNOUNCED WEEKDAY MASSES

#### Tuesday, September 21 at 6:00 pm.

Giuseppe Vitale...by Wife Sara & Family
George Robillard...by Claire Lauzon
Roger Marion...by Louis Marion & Family
Oscar & Mamerta Baldovino...by Mel & Family
Esperanza Valerio...by Daughter & Family





#### To Everything there is a season... "a time to be healed..."

For our parishioners who are sick , in the hospital or awaiting surgery. We pray for Phil Labbe and his wife Cathy and Ann Bondy

There is "a time for everything under Heaven....."

Please pray for those who have died from our families and parish community, especially Augusta Lenarduzzi.



#### Gospel Reading Mark 9:30-37

#### Jesus teaches his disciples that the greatest are those who serve all.

In today's Gospel, we hear Jesus again predict his passion, death, and Resurrection to his disciples. The setting here is important. Jesus and his disciples are preparing to journey through Galilee, a Jewish territory in which Jesus has already encountered problems with the Pharisees. Perhaps this is why Mark indicates that Jesus was trying to journey in secret. In predicting his passion, Jesus is acknowledging the danger they will face and is trying to preparing his disciples for it. Yet Mark tells us that the disciples did not understand what Jesus was saying and were afraid to ask what he meant. Such hesitation on the part of the disciples is not characteristic behavior. Peter had no fear about rebuking Jesus in last week's Gospel. Perhaps this is an indication that the disciples were aware that a new situation was emerging.

Mark paints a vivid picture in today's Gospel. Having arrived at Capernaum, Jesus and his

disciples enter a house. In this private place, Jesus asks his disciples about the argument they had while they were journeying. Again, the disciples are uncharacteristically silent and afraid to answer. They have been found out. Jesus then summons the Twelve, whom Mark identified earlier in his Gospel as those chosen by Jesus to preach and to drive out demons. To this select group of disciples, Jesus teaches that those who would be first in God's kingdom must be servants of all. Jesus then calls forward a child and teaches the Twelve that to receive a child in Jesus' name is to receive both Jesus and the One who sent him. We might easily fail to understand the significance of this action. In first-century Palestine, children were without status or power, possessing no legal rights. In this action, Jesus is teaching his disciples and us that when we serve the least ones among us, we serve Jesus himself. Who are the people without power or status in our society that Jesus is calling us to serve? Do we do so willingly? Jesus teaches that God's judgment of us will be based on this criterion alone. "\*From Loyolapress.com

#### **OUR FAMILY OF PARISHES-HOLY TRINITY**

Did you know that Holy Trinity's weekend Mass schedule is Saturday evening at 5:00 pm., Sunday at 9:00 am. (English), 10:30 am., & 12:30 pm.. If you miss the registration for our Masses, you could possibly register for one of their Mass times. Fr. Stan-

islaw (Fr. Stan) is the current Priest. Fr. Tony is the Parish Administer. English confessions are heard on Sunday's before the 9:00 am. Mass. There is an English Mass on Wednesday's at 7:00 am.. There is Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every Thursday from 6:00 pm. to 7:00 pm. followed by evening Mass at 7:00 pm.

Holy Trinity Church is located at 1035 Ellis St. East. And their phone number is 519-253-5863 Our Family of Parishes will be activated in July 2022.

IMMACULATE HEART PARISH offers weekday Masses on

Tuesday & Thursday at 6:30 pm. and Wednesday & Friday at 8:00 am.





#### **BAPTISM BLESSINGS**

This weekend, we welcomed

Nadia Linda Rizza daughter of Carl & Lara (DiPasquale)

**Cameron Matthew Hebert** son of James

Hebert & Tammy Fitzgerald

Arianna Rose & Addison Clair Scolack daughters of Craig Scolack & Crystal Gallant

Angelina Lauren Gallant daughter of Kyle Ratsoy & Crystal Gallant

Westyn William Slogan-Rivard son of Wyatt Slogan & Vanessa Rivard

to the Christian Catholic Faith through the graced filled waters of Baptism.

"God gives your child the gifts of the Holy Spirit. And what gifts these are! You are choosing these gifts for your child now in Baptism, and later they will make their own choice to strengthen those gifts in Confirmation."



#### LIFE CHAIN

is a peaceful Prayer Chain and silent witness to the injustice of abortion and the harm it inflicts on moth-

ers, fathers, and the community at large. It is a simple but powerful reminder to our fellow citizens of the sanctity of human life and our duty to defend the weakest members of our society. Life Chain is a prayerful and peaceful witness to the sanctity of human life and the evil of abortion. Participants pray and hold non-graphic signs with messages such as "Life, the first inalienable right", "Protect pre-born human rights", "Choose Life" and "Abortion kills children" at hundreds of locations across North America for one hour. Please join us at sidewalk in front of Met Hospital on Tecumseh Rd E. on Sunday, October 3rd from 2:30 to 3:30 pm and be prepared to follow local COVID-19 protocols. This is a family-friendly event appropriate for people of all ages and backgrounds and a unique opportunity to provide our neighbours with a much-needed message of love, hope, and truth. As Our Lord asked of His disciples: "Could you not watch one hour with me?" (Mk 14:37) Please contact WERTL's president if you have any questions – 519-981-1349 (Helen Dietrich) or call the office at 519-969-7555.

#### RESERVATIONS

You are still required to reserve your seat for our weekend Masses. Register on our Eventbrite page on our website. The link opens on Thursday's at 9:00 am. until Friday's at 5:00

> pm. If you call in your reservation the same times apply.

519-966-1953 Ext. 24.

Mask must be worn at all times in the Church.



#### K OF C EVENTS

Our Knight of Columbus members are keeping themselves busy. They have two events planned for October.

Please keep these dates open:

#### October 9 & 10- Thanksgiving Food Drive



for our Society of St. Vincent de Paul. In the next couple of weeks, the K of C members will be handing out cloth bags for you to take home and return to the Church on Thanksgiving with non perishable food items. On October 9 & 10, the members will

meet you outside in front of the Church, before Mass, all you need to do is open up your trunk and they will take the bags out for you.



Sunday, October 17—A free parish SOCIAL outside on the lawn. Beginning at 12– noon. More information will follow soon. There will be an Eventbrite link to sign up for the October 17 event.

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#### LEARNING ABOUT THE VISION: WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE MISSION-ORIENTED?

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Next Sunday—September 26, the children from our parish will be receiving their First Com-FIRST COMMUNION munion at a special Mass at 2:00 pm. However we have

some children who are regular parishioners and they will be joining us on Sunday at our 11:00 am. Mass. Please be aware that you might not be able to reserve your seat for this Mass next Sunday, if that happens, you might want to reserve your seat at another Mass. Please keep the children and their families in your prayers this week as we meet with them for the first time in person on Wednesday evening to complete their First Communion preparation.

#### **KEY HOLDERS**

Attention all key holders. Our parish hall is being used for the Elections on Monday, September 20. We ask that you do not "drop in" to the hall, unless of course you are voting!



#### **DEVELOPMENT & PEACE - FALL CAMPAIGN** WORKSHOP INVITATION FOR LONDON.

Please join the Development and Peace workshop introducing us to the Fall Campaign.

What: People and Planet First! Fall Action Campaign Work-

Who: Development and Peace - Caritas Canada's London Diocesan Council

Where: Zoom—register here https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/ register/tZwuc-GgpzIjH9Hxmsnvmb7uAXmK57xwk4Bw

When: Wednesday, October 6 from 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. If this date doesn't work for you, you're welcome to join another region. Please contact pastoralservicesadmin@dol.ca for alternatives.



#### Feast & Memorial Days

Sept. 19—St. Januarius

Sept. 20— St.'s Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Paul Chong Ha-sang & Companions

Sept. 21–St. Matthew

Sept. 23—St. Pius of Pietrelcina

Sept. 24—Blessed Émilie Tavernier-Gamelin

Sept. 25—St.'s Comas & Damian





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#### **OLPH SOCIETY OF** ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Our conference is in need of the following food items:

> **Pasta Sauce** Can tomatoes Can fruit **Crackers School snacks SideKicks**

If you are able to donate some of these food items to our pantry you may bring them with you when you come to Mass. If you cannot come to Mass at this time—they may be dropped off to the Church during the week. (You might want to call ahead to be sure someone is there)

#### Reflection:

Jesus uses the model of a little child to illustrate his point. Children are innocent and without pretensions. They embody what "least of all" means. This also illustrates to what extent the disciple is to become the "servant of all" by receiving even the "least of all." The total self- emptying that enables one to receive the "least of all" describes the disciple. This is how we receive Jesus—by receiving the least. No one is insignificant. (Living Liturgy, p.212)

#### Vincentian Meditation:

Are we really able to hear the cries of the poor, of the most oppressed: the women and children, who are often the poorest members of society; those discriminated against because of race, color, nationality, religion; the AIDS victims, who are often shunned by their families and by the physically healthy, those on the "edges of life," the helpless infants and the helpless aged, who are unable to speak up themselves? Are we alert, "listening," to the "signs of the times": the increasing gap between the rich and the poor and the repeated call for justice made by the Church? (Maloney, He Hears the Cry of

the Poor, p. 25-

In what ways are you challenged to be a "servant of all" by receiving the "least of all"... whose cries are

the hardest to hear?



Are you interested in becoming a Vincentian—call the parish office and leave a voice message on the Society of St. Vincent de Paul's extension—26, or email us at

**ssypolph@hotmail.com** \*All COVID protocols are strictly followed for deliveries and packing the food.

Another way that you can help our parish conference, is you can make a cash donation. They are offering the option for you to make a e-transfer. Send the e-transfer to ssvpolph@hotmail.com—in the memo line please put your name & address. The answer to the question is: SSVPOLPH. OR you may leave it in the offertory basket.

#### LITURGY NOTES FROM THE LITURGY OFFICE OF THE DIOCESE OF LONDON.

#### SEPTEMBER 19, 2021—25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, B

#### **BREAKING OPEN THE WORD**

First Reading: Wisdom 2:12, 17-20— The Book of Wisdom (or Wisdom of Solomon) is one of the Deuterocanonical books of the Bible. It was written in in Greek, likely in Alexandria, Egypt, between 30 BC and 40 AD, when the Roman Empire controlled Egypt. It was common for ancient writings to assume the name of great figure of the past (e.g. Solomon or Moses), as this was a way of asserting the congruity of a work with the larger tradition. This context is important when considering the book's contents, as it is intended to bolster the faith of Jewish youth by encouraging them to attend to their traditions, love of the Torah, and commitment to God in the face of persecution. Today's passage is part of a longer section that com-



pares the way of righteousness to the way of the ungodly (Wisdom 1:1-3:19). As in other biblical wisdom literature, the way of the ungodly is presented as a way of foolishness and death. Today's passage is spoken from the point of view of the ungodly, as they make plans to torment a righteous person. In the theological arrangement of the lectionary, we are invited to link Jesus to this unnamed righteous person, though we should remember that it is intended

to be a more general contrast between those who follow in God's way and those who persecute the faithful. The intention of the text is to motivate the believer to a pure faith.

**Psalm: Psalm 54**—The superscription of this psalm ties it closely to an event in David's life, when the "Ziphites went and told Saul, 'David is in hiding among us.'" (1 Sam 23:15-29). The superscription itself provides an interpretation of the psalm that expresses trust and fidelity in God in the face of danger and betrayal.

Second Reading: James 3:16-4:3—In this brief reading James encourages internal harmony within the community. Although James is often contrasted with Paul, here we can see a great deal of continuity between the two apostolic writers. James' insight is that living in peace in Christ must begin with those closest to a person. James says, "You want something and you do not have it; so you commit murder," (James 4:2), powerfully evoking the story of Cain and Abel (Genesis 4). The implication is that internal divisions do nothing but unravel the fabric of a community, and believers should strive for, and petition for, peace.

Gospel: Mark 9:30-37—Today's section of the Gospel of Mark takes place after the Transfiguration (Mark 9:2-9). It is part of a larger chapter on messianic expectations, divine versus earthly power, and the importance of faith and prayer. The reading starts with Jesus' second passion prediction in the Gospel of Mark, and the disciples "did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him" (Mark 9:32). This is curious! Earlier they asked him why the "scribes say

Elijah must come first" (Mark 9:11), so they are certainly not averse to asking him questions. Likewise, their fear is questionable, for he tells them directly that "he will rise again" (9:31). We gain some insight when we see what happens next. After arriving at Capernaum, Jesus asks them what they had been arguing about along the way, and it turns out they were arguing about "who was the greatest" (Mark 9:34). This helps us to understand their misunderstanding and fear because it reveals that they have mistakenly assumed that following Jesus will result in some kind of earthly gain for themselves. It would be confusing and frightening to discover that the man they were following was going to be persecuted and killed as a criminal. Being aligned with a person like that would mean their own honour and very lives would be in danger. Jesus patiently explains that the key to greatness is in service. And, lest they think that they will achieve greatness by serving someone powerful and important, Jesus specifies that the type of service required is to serve without the expectation of personal gain. Using the example of a child, who has no honour of his or her own to bestow, Jesus says, "Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me" (Mark 9:37).

**Reflection**—The readings today comment on the tensions between earthly systems of recognition, honour, and power, and the wisdom it requires to avoid obsessing about competitive relationships, careerism, and the dehumanizing of others by seeing them as tools for one's own gain. These readings invite a deep look inside our motivation for following Christ: do we follow him to be important in the community? To feel "better than" other

people? To justify judging other people? Even if we answer "no" to these questions, are we ready to serve others as completely as Jesus calls us to do, with no expectation of personal gain? Let us give ourselves the space to explore these questions honestly, to identify with the different voices and characters in these readings, and to move forward in hope and faith, knowing that God gives us the grace to learn, grow, and change.

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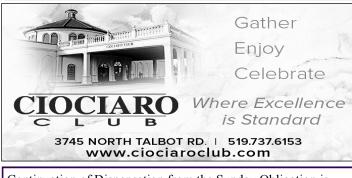


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Continuation of Dispensation from the Sunday Obligation is extended up to and including **Sunday**, **November 27 2021**.

## 40 DAYS FOR LIFE.

#### **FALL VIGIL 2021! IN PERSON AT THE VIGIL SITE**

The vigil has begun and goes until -Sunday, Oct. 31, from 7 AM - 7 PM. Please bring a mask, ensure your sign is disinfected before going to the vigil site. Follow any Covid 19 protocols that are currently in place. (Vigil site in front of Met Hospital) *Prayer of Blessing*: Fr. Mike Dwyer, Pastor of Immaculate Heart Parish has offered to host an ecumenical prayer of blessing outdoors at Immaculate Heart Church, 2153 Parkwood Ave. on Sunday, Sept. 19, 2021 at 2 pm. In the event of inclement weather Fr. Mike has offered to open the Church, attendees will have to register their attendance and have a mask to enter the Church. Attendance is always taken at the 40 Days for Life Rallies for statistical purposes.

visit https://www.40daysforlife.com/local-campaigns/windsor/ to sign up!



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