

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time – January 30, 2022

“A prophet to the nations I appointed you” (Jer 1:5)

Saturday, Jan. 29	5:00 pm	St. Carthagh’s	Members of the Parish
Sunday, Jan. 30 (4 th Sunday in Ordinary Time)	9:00 am 11:00 am	St. Edmund’s St. Carthagh’s	Intentions of Henry Macerollo Leonard Kehoe
Monday, Jan. 31	9:00 am	St. Carthagh’s	Luciana (Lucy) Champagne
Tuesday, Feb. 1	9:00 am	St. Carthagh’s	Intentions of Robert & Patricia Lee on their 53 rd Wedding Anniversary
Wednesday, Feb. 2 (Presentation of the Lord)	9:00 am	St. Carthagh’s	Wilma Hughes
Thursday, Feb. 3	9:00 am	St. Carthagh’s	No Intention
Friday, Feb. 4	9:00 am	St. Carthagh’s	Clifford (Tiny) Rivers
Saturday, Feb. 5	5:00 pm	St. Carthagh’s	Members of the Parish
Sunday, Feb. 6 (5 th Sunday in Ordinary Time)	9:00 am 11:00 am	St. Edmund’s St. Carthagh’s	Intentions of Henry Macerollo Dawn Fleming

Please Remember in Your Prayers: All those who are sick, including: F. Boomhour, Neive Alderson, Norene Ruffilli, Amanda Lake, Ginger Kehoe, Margaret Dupuis-Ives, Terry Horrigan, Catherine Liggon, Debbie LaCroix, Presley Noble, Rob Montgomery, Margaret-Rose Wood, Michelle Fobert, Ben Paul, Carrie Young, Jeanette Prevost, Dale McTaggart, David Gohl, Susan Horrigan, Barb Greene, Roy Lamb, Doug Lessard, Carl Kehoe, Barry Tebo, Philip Rashotte, Carolyn Saunders, Bill Cassidy, and Sarah Knill.

Please let us know at the office if you would like to add to or remove a name from the list of the sick.

Offertory Collections:

St. Carthagh’s	January 22 & 23	Regular Sunday Building & Reserve	\$560 \$120
St. Edmund’s	January 23	Regular Sunday Building & Reserve	\$700 \$145

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS OFFERING TO OUR CHURCHES

	<u>LECTOR</u>	<u>HOLY COMMUNION</u>	<u>USHERS</u>
St. Carthagh’s			
Saturday, Feb. 5	Tara Harrison	Carol Genereaux	Greg Donohue Arthur Allore
Sunday, Feb. 6	Shirley Kehoe	Joan McTaggart	Dan Dafoe George Scott
St. Edmund’s	<u>LECTOR</u>	<u>ORGANIST</u>	<u>USHERS</u>
<i>Sunday, Feb. 6</i>	<i>Cecilia Maines</i>	<i>Donna Broek</i>	<i>Bill & Marian Nash Marian Dolan Pat Rush</i>

Archbishop Mulhall wishes to announce the following **provisional arrangements** during this period of study and review, effective **February 1, 2022:**

Rev. Jan Kusyk is appointed Administrator of St. Francois d’Assise, Kingston. Father Kusyk will continue to serve as Chaplain to Newman House.

Rev. James Quirk is appointed Administrator of Sacred Heart of Mary, Wolfe Island.

Rev. Oliver Wekesa is appointed Administrator of St. Patrick, Lansdowne. Father Oliver will live in residence at St. Mary’s Cathedral Rectory, Kingston.

Archbishop Mulhall will retain for himself the office of Pastor of St. Patrick, Railton & the Mission of St. Mary, Odessa.

Rev. Roberto Wojcik is delegated the administrative responsibilities for St. Patrick, Railton and St. Mary, Odessa.

Rev. Sebastian Amato will provide the sacraments to St. Patrick, Railton and St. Barnaby, Brewers Mills.

Rev. Paul Mawalla will provide the sacraments to St. Mary, Odessa.

Do we still need prophets like Jeremiah at this age and time? May be a revisit to the time of Jeremiah might help us in making an opinion. In the days of Jeremiah, everything seemed hopeless. The political and religious leaders were corrupt and did not care for the people. The rich became richer, while the poor got poorer. Moral decadence stepped in. Out of pride and arrogance, the people were blind to their sins and evil. As a result the country became weak and susceptible to foreign powers like Assyria, and then finally succumbed to Babylon. Isn’t this what we are experiencing in our time? Leadership, political and religious, is losing credibility because of failure to walk the talk. We are confused over what is right and wrong. We talk of human rights and in the same breath, advocate for abortion and euthanasia. We promote love but work to destroy marriage and family. We speak of freedom of the individual but want to destroy the common good. We are tired of the pandemic but we are widely divided on the steps to take to effectively nip it in the bud. In such a situation of confusion, ambivalence and hypocrisy, prophets are needed to give hope to a hopeless world. God sent prophets like Jeremiah to help people to come to the realization of impending destruction ahead of them. Jesus too was called to be the prophet that restores the people back to God. By virtue of our baptism Christians participate in the kingly, prophetic and priestly roles of the Lord. We therefore have a prophetic responsibility. We are called to be prophets in today’s society. However, encountering God’s love, deeply and personally, is the basis for any real engagement in the life and mission of the Lord. This was the case of Jeremiah. He had an intimate relationship and an encounter with the Lord. Here is his confession: “O Lord, you have enticed me, and I was enticed; you have overpowered me, and you have prevailed” (Jer 20:7). This weekend’s liturgy, therefore, reminds us to continue in our capacity and role as prophets of today. We must be motivated purely by our love of Christ and love of others. The goal is to give hope, encouragement and support to struggling humanity.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Synod on Synodality: For an orientation into the Synod, click the link below:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1lp6UjLd8ZHHPy6IX6K7IOI2UpWhKr/view?usp=sharing>

Participation in the Synod of Synodality: Our participation in the Synod will be much appreciated at all levels of Church. In fact, it is squarely part of our prophetic calling. The reality of the pandemic makes it difficult for us to carry out comfortably some pastoral assignments. This is one of them. Under the present circumstances, we suggest the method of “*signing up.*” We shall make available the 10 questions of the Archdiocese on a sheet of paper and invite you to sign up for the questions you would like to make your voice heard. Thereafter, we can discuss them in groups of say 5 or less people. Following the discussions, we shall collate our views for the Archdiocese. Of course, if someone has a better and more effective method, we are all ears! The 10 questions of the Archdiocese are the following:

- 1. COMPANIONS ON THE JOURNEY:** Who has Christ sent to encourage and support you in your life, in your faith, in your parish and in Church?
- 2. LISTENING:** How do we hear the voice of Christ in the Church? How do we hear Him on the edges of our communities?
- 3. SPEAKING OUT:** What enables or hinders us in hearing the voices of others in our parish communities and in our Church?
- 4. CELEBRATION:** How do Mass and communal prayer inspire and strengthen you? For your decisions? Prepare us for our mission in the world?
- 5. SHARING RESPONSIBILITY FOR OUR COMMON MISSION:** What is the mission of the Church? How is this realised in your parish and in the archdiocese? How do you fit into this mission?
- 6. DIALOGUE IN CHURCH AND SOCIETY:** What particular issues in the Church and society need conversion in the light of the Gospel?
- 7. ECUMENISM:** What might build up a closer communion with our brothers and sisters of other Christian traditions?
- 8. AUTHORITY AND PARTICIPATION:** How does the Church support, encourage and serve our participation in its life and mission?
- 9. DISCERNING AND DECIDING:** How do we, as individuals, as parishes and as an archdiocese, discern and make decisions in the light of the Gospel?
- 10. FORMING OURSELVES IN SYNODALITY:** How does listening to Christ prompt us to hear one another, encourage us to participate in mission and help us to reflect Him to those we encounter?

Please, ponder over them. Next week, we shall begin the “sign up” process.