

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



MASSES OF THE WEEK

† - For the repose of the soul / in memory of the person(s) indicated

Sunday, September 20

10:30 a.m. † Michael Valiquette by Val Poirier.
† Mary Anne Benoit by Donna Slaney.
For the intentions of the Handmaids of the Lord.

Tuesday, September 22

9:00 a.m. Thanksgiving Mass by Maria Salgado.

Wednesday, September 23

Feast of St. Pius of Pietrelcina
(Private Mass) For Fr. Vincent's intentions.

Thursday, September 24

9:00 a.m. † Arthur McNamara by Duane Mayo.

Saturday, September 26

Feasts of St. Jean de Brébeuf & St. Isaac Jogues
4:30 p.m. † Margaret Cormier by her daughter
Helen.

READINGS (Year A):

Sunday, September 20

First Reading: Isaiah 55.6-9

The Lord says: My thoughts are not your thoughts.

Second Reading: Philippians 1.20-24, 27

To me, living is Christ.

Gospel: Matthew 20.1-16

Are you envious because I am generous?

Tuesday, September 22

First Reading: Proverbs 21.1-6, 10-13

*To do righteousness and justice,
is more acceptable than sacrifice.*

Gospel: Luke 8.19-21

*My mother and my brothers are those who hear the word of
God and do it.*

Thursday, September 24

First Reading: Ecclesiastes 1.2-11

There is nothing new under the sun.

Gospel: Luke 9.7-9

John I beheaded;

but who is this about whom I hear such things?

Saturday, September 26

First Reading: Exekiel 18.25-28

*When the wicked turn away from the wickedness they have
committed, they shall save their life.*

Second Reading: Philippians 2.1-11

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus.

Gospel: Matthew 21.28-32

*The tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the
kingdom of heaven ahead of you.*

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION

Universal: *Respect for the Planet's Resources* ~ We pray that the planet's resources will not be plundered, but shared in a just and respectful manner.

PLEASE REMEMBER THE SICK IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Patricia McNamara, Norbert and Fernande Dacquay, Baby Raechal McIntyre, Catherine Bedard, Monique Beaudry, Erin Burnett, Marcelo Pimentel, Moli Coletti, Zygmunt Wysocki.



LEBANON IN CRISIS

CNEWA Canada has launched an emergency relief fund to provide food, health care & shelter to thousands after the massive August 4 explosion at Beirut's waterfront. Visit: <https://cnewa.org/ca/campaigns/lebanoncrisis/>

COATS FOR KIDS

St. Theresa the Little Flower Council 16005 of the Knights of Columbus is handing out Donation Envelopes for Coats for Kids at the back of the church this weekend. Members and parishioners can donate to this great cause by dropping the envelope in the collection basket next weekend. If you want to donate directly and receive a tax receipt just go online and make sure that you include the Council 16005 in your message. <https://ontariokofc.ca/programs/faith-in-action/community/coats-for-kids/>

INTO THE BREACH

St. Theresa Parish Knights of Columbus invites all men in the parish to a series of on-line (zoom) discussions beginning on **September 23, 2020 at 7 p.m.**, based on twelve short videos concerning our role as Catholic men in the family, the Church and society. Contact Gord Doonan at g.doonan@zoho.com.

ALPHA

This year, due to the COVID pandemic the **ALPHA** program at St. Theresa Parish will be run online using the ZOOM teleconference application. The first ALPHA meeting will be held on **Tuesday, September 29 2020, from 7 to 8:30 p.m.** The guest list will be limited to 16 persons. We encourage all parishioners to participate and reach out to a non-practicing family member, neighbour to join Alpha to explore life, faith and God in a friendly, open and informal environment. If you have never attended a Christian faith discovery program, please consider participating!

To register or for more information, please contact Deacon Guy Dacquay at alphasttheresa@gmail.com or by telephone at 819-319-7671.

5TH ANNUAL WALKATHON FUNDRAISER

The Fifth annual fundraiser by the Centretown Churches Social Action Committee (CCSAC) for the Centretown Emergency Food Centre at Argyle and Bank will be virtual on **Sunday, Oct. 4, 2020**. Please choose to donate and walk anywhere you like. Cash and cheques (made payable to CCSAC) will be accepted after Mass on Sept. 26/27 and Oct. 3/4 or online at www.centretownchurches.org, click on Walkathon and then click on Team St Theresa. Cheques made out to CCSAC can also be dropped in the donation basket. Tax receipts are available.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE FALL CAMPAIGN

The 40 Days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion runs from **September 23 to November 1, 2020**. This non-political campaign consists of a silent and prayerful standing vigil at the City designated vigil site, Southwest corner of Queen and Bank Streets.

The shared Prayer Vigil Day for St. Theresa Parish and Couples for Christ is Saturday, **October 3**. Please consider signing up for one hour between 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. You can register on-line on the 40 Days For Life website or by contacting our 40 Days Rep, Gord Doonan, 613-830-6474; g.doonan@zoho.com

Provincial guidelines for outdoor gatherings during the pandemic will apply.

POPE TO TAKE HIS POST-PANDEMIC PLEAS TO GLOBAL STAGE

The Vatican Catholic News Service reports that "When he addresses, via video message, the U.N. General Assembly September 21, Pope Francis is expected to speak about using the coronavirus crisis as an opportunity to rethink economic, political and environmental policies in a way that will benefit humanity and the earth." To read the article, go to: <https://www.catholicnews.com/pope-to-take-his-post-pandemic-pleas-to-global-stage/>

FLOURISHING CONGREGATIONS SURVEY RESULTS: 7

This week, we continue to review the survey responses for questions pertaining to **Internal - Discipleship**.

To what extent would you say your parish gives priority (or not) to women's programs?:

- 15.9% High or Essential Priority;
- 17.8% Somewhat a priority or Moderate priority;
- 29.9% Low priority or not a priority;
- 36.4% Neutral or unsure.

To what extent would you say your parish gives priority (or not) to men's programs?:

- 32.1% High or Essential Priority;
- 28.3% Somewhat a priority or Moderate priority;
- 14.2%; Low priority or not a priority;
- 25.5% Neutral or unsure.

To what extent would you say your parish gives priority (or not) to providing Christian education for adults?:

- 41.9% High or Essential Priority;
- 39.0% Somewhat a priority or Moderate priority;
- 7.6% Low priority or not a priority;
- 11.4% Neutral or unsure.

To what extent would you say your parish gives priority (or not) to attempting to address social issues?:

- 31.5% High or Essential Priority;
- 38.9% Somewhat a priority or Moderate priority;
- 11.1% Low priority or not a priority;
- 18.5% Neutral or unsure.

Previous weeks' Survey Results can be found on our parish website: www.sttheresaottawa.com under Bulletins.

Let us pray for each other that we stay healthy and safe as we continue to navigate during this challenging time.