

† This symbol signifies repose of the soul.

### Sunday, June 29

Saints Peter and Paul

9:00 a.m. For the parishioners of St. Theresa Parish 10:30 a.m. For the intentions of the Handmaids of the

Lord.

### Tuesday, July 1

9:00 a.m. For peace in the Holy Land & the whole world,

by Jeannette de Nazareth.

### Wednesday, July 2

9:00 a.m. †For the souls in Purgatory.

10:00 a.m. *Memorial Mass for Joanne and Michael Valiquette.* 

Thursday, July 3

St. Thomas

9:00 a.m. For the victims of war, by Jeannette de Nazareth.

Friday, July 4

9:00 a.m. For the victims of natural disaster, by Jeannette

de Nazareth.

# Saturday, July 5

4:30 p.m. †Wayne Quan, by the family.

For the protection of Canada & for the well-being of

all its citizens, by a parishioner.

## Sunday, July 6

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m. For the parishioners of St. Theresa Parish 10:30 a.m. For the intentions of the Handmaids of the

Lord.

†Leo Desmarteau, by the family.

Thanksgiving Mass to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, The Holy Family, The Infant of Prague; for blessings of light, peace, strength & the gift of discernment; for Judette, her mother, & her Father – by Cyril Winter,

Elza & Eliza.

# Please remember the sick in your prayers:

Michelle Boyer, Baby Ivy Murray, Nickie Shaw, Marie-Andrée Boyer, Rachel McIntyre, Zygmunt Wysocki, Linda MacNay, Theresa Tam-Sue, Lily Harmon, Debby MacAdam, Michael Budge, Robby Felteau, Lise Campbell, Elaine Taylor, Wanda Staples, Judette & Marie, Marilyn & Jim Donoghue, Aline Lafleur Raymond, Paul O' Leary.

## **Vocation Prayer:**

• That mothers and fathers will help their children grow strong in their faith, filled with the wisdom of God, and encourage openness to vocations, we pray to the Lord.

# HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION

For formation in discernment ~ Let us pray that we might again learn how to discern, to know how to choose paths of life and reject everything that leads us away from Christ and the Gospel.

# SAINTS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES (Year C)

First Reading: Acts 12.1-11

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 4.6-8, 17-18

Gospel: Matthew 16.13-19



### Saturday, July 5

4:30 p.m.

# Sunday, July 6

9:00 p.m. ~ 10:30 p.m. ~

### **EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

# Saturday, July 5

4:30 p.m.

# Sunday, July 6

9:00 p.m. ~ 10:30 p.m. ~

### 25 JUBILEE FACTS

23. The Jubilee Churches

There are several Jubilee Churches in Rome that will serve as special gathering points for pilgrims.

# DON'T FORGET - MIDLAND PILGRIMAGE

Don't wait, don't hesitate, don't be late. Book your seat on the Midland Ontario Pilgrimage to The Martyrs Shrine!

Contact by email: kilbydad@hotmail.com to reserve a spot.

### PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

If you notice any names of the sick mentioned in the bulletin who have either passed away or recovered, please inform the parish office so we may remove their names. Thank you kindly.

#### ISLAMIST ATTACK IN SYRIA

Islamist attack on church in Syria leaves 30 dead The attacker entered the church during the vesper service, opened fire on the congregation, then detonated an explosive vest amid the chaos. Children were among the casualties. Eyewitnesses described the moment as surreal—» bodies flying, » as one survivor put it. Others recalled the assailant's covered face and the eerie silence before the explosion.

### SAINT OF THE DAY FOR JUNE 24: Nativity of Saint John the Baptist

Jesus called John the greatest of all those who had preceded him: "I tell you, among those born of women, no one is greater than John...." But John would have agreed completely with what Jesus added: "[Y]et the least in the kingdom of God is greater than he" (Luke 7:28).

John spent his time in the desert, an ascetic. He began to announce the coming of the Kingdom, and to call everyone to a fundamental reformation of life. His purpose was to prepare the way for Jesus. His baptism, he said, was for repentance. But one would come who would baptize with the Holy Spirit and fire. John was not worthy even to untie his sandals. His attitude toward Jesus was: "He must increase; I must decrease" (John 3:30).

John was humbled to find among the crowd of sinners who came to be baptized the one whom he already knew to be the Messiah. "I need to be baptized by you" (Matthew 3:14b). But Jesus insisted, "Allow it now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness" (Matthew 3:15b). Jesus, true and humble human as well as eternal God, was eager to do what was required of any good Jew. Jesus thus publicly entered the community of those awaiting the Messiah. But making himself part of that community, he made it truly messianic.

The greatness of John, his pivotal place in the history of salvation, is seen in the great emphasis Luke gives to the announcement of his birth and the event itself—both made prominently parallel to the same occurrences in the life of Jesus. John attracted countless people to the banks of the Jordan, and it occurred to some people that he might be the Messiah. But he constantly deferred to Jesus, even to sending away some of his followers to become the first disciples of Jesus.

Perhaps John's idea of the coming of the Kingdom of God was not being perfectly fulfilled in the public ministry of Jesus. For whatever reason, when he was in prison he sent his disciples to ask Jesus if he was the Messiah. Jesus' answer showed that the Messiah was to be a figure like that of the Suffering Servant in Isaiah. John himself would share in the pattern of messianic suffering, losing his life to the revenge of Herodias.

Saint John the Baptist is the Patron Saint of: Baptism

#### STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL

The Strawberry Festival to honour grandparents and seniors will be held on Sunday July 27. The fourth Sunday in July was suggested by Pope Francis to honour seniors and the roles they play in our families, our church and our country. Love strawberries? You will love the Strawberry Festival.

### PILGRIMAGE TO MIDLAND

St Theresa Catholic Church Pilgrimage to Midland, Ontario 27 to 29 August 2025 St Theresa Church is planning a pilgrimage to Midland this summer to visit: Martyrs' Shrine - a national holy and historic space honouring the lives of the Canadian Martyrs, and Sainte-Marie Among the Hurons -Ontario's first European Community, and headquarters for the French Jesuit Mission to the Huron-Wendat people. Cost: \$350.00 per person (based upon double occupancy (sharing) of a room) To reserve your spot, contact by email— kilbydad@hotmail.com You will be required to complete an online questionnaire and commit to attendance.

#### MASS INTENTIONS – BOOK THEM NOW

Summer bulletins for July and August are coming soon. For each month only one bulletin will be printed. Be sure to book your Mass intentions in advance, so they are in the bulletin.

### CONGRATULATIONS TO SIENNA RADER

Congratulations to Saint Theresa's own Sienna Rader. Sienna won 2nd place in all of Ontario at the Ontario Elementary Musical theatre!

### CAR WASH & BBQ FUNDRAISER FOR STEUBENVILLE YOUTH TRIP

This year, 23 youth + 9 Adult Volunteers from Annunciation Parish are attending the Steubenville Atlantic Conference. This powerful weekend experience will empower our parish youth with inspiring talks, dynamic worship, and transformative encounters with God.

So far, 28,249.30 has been raised through our parish appeal and through the personal fundraising efforts of the youth. The youth re 81% of the way to their total goal and are continuing their individual fundraising efforts by reaching out to family and friends.

To help with the final fundraising, the youth will be hosting a Car Wash & BBQ for the local community from the Annunciation Parish front parking lot.

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