



† This symbol signifies repose of the soul.

Sunday, February 23

Seventh 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.

†Diomira Contestabile, by the family.

Tuesday, February 25

9:00 a.m. †Chris Mooney, by Dave & Lynn Webb.

Wednesday, February 26

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

Thursday, February 27

9:00 a.m. -

Friday, February 28

9:00 a.m. -

Saturday, March 1

4:30 p.m. †Wayne Quan, by his family.
For the protection of Canada & the well-being of all its citizens, by a parishioner.

Sunday, March 2

Eighth 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.

†Diomira Contestabile, by the family.

Please remember the sick in your prayers:

Michelle Boyer, Baby Ivy Murray, Nickie Shaw, Marie-Andrée Boyer, Patricia McNamara, Rachel McIntyre, Zygmunt Wysocki, Linda MacNay, Theresa Tam-Sue, Alice Hilchie, Lily Harmon, Debby MacAdam, Michael Budge, Robby Felteau, Lise Campbell, Elaine Taylor, Richard Lafleur, Wanda Staples, Judette & Marie.

Vocation Prayer:

- That all in the Church will accept their vocation to holiness, we pray to the Lord.

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION

For families in crisis ~ Let us pray that broken families might discover the cure for their wounds through forgiveness, rediscovering each other's gifts, even in their differences.

**SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
(Year B)**

First Reading: 1 Samuel 26.2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-25++

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15.45-49

Gospel: Luke 6.27-38



Lectors & Commentators

Saturday, March 1

4:30 p.m. Lyn Fong

Sunday, March 2

9:00 a.m. George Hack

10:30 a.m. Eleanor Ryan

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday, March 1

4:30 p.m. -

Sunday, March 2

9:00 a.m. Darrell Herauf

10:30 a.m. Sebastien Saber, Peter Landry - Choir

25 JUBILEE FACTS

5. The Opening of the Holy Door

The Jubilee Year officially began on December 24, 2024, with the opening of the Holy Door at St. Peter's Basilica. This door symbolizes Christ as the gate to salvation and offers pilgrims the chance to receive the graces of the Jubilee.

ST. THERESA 2025 CENSUS

Please leave an envelope/piece of paper with your full name, phone number, and email in the collection's basket. Please call the secretary if you are uncertain if they have your contact information. This confirmation is greatly appreciated. Thank you for your attention and time.

MARDI GRAS

Do you have your beads and masks ready for Mardi Gras? Time to celebrate and gather with friends before Ash Wednesday. Mardi Gras found its beginnings in Medieval Europe and worked its way through Rome and Venice to North America. It is a time to celebrate before the fasting and abstinence of Lent. Today is the last day to get your tickets so don't miss out, see a member of the Knights or the Social Outreach Committee.

Tickets available through e-transfer to Roger-richard@rogers.com

WARM CLOTHING WANTED

Did you get a new wardrobe for Christmas and now you are not sure what to do with your old clothes? Gently used clothing can be brought to church and the Social Outreach Committee will deliver them to The Shepherds of Good Hope, The Ottawa Mission, Matthew's Refuge Homes and women's shelters. Warm clothing is desperately needed in Ottawa. Please help if you can.

QUO VADIS

Is the Lord calling you to serve him as a priest? Join other men discerning the priesthood for monthly formation, fellowship, and Eucharistic Adoration. Each night will be held at the new Café des Tours, located in the basement of Notre Dame Cathedral in Ottawa. To join the Quo Vadis email list or for more information, contact Fr. Connor O'Hara, the Vocations Director for the diocese, at vocations@ottawacornwall.ca / 613-738-5025

KOFC PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast:

16 March 2025, following the 9 am and 1030 am Masses. \$10 for adults, \$5 for young people under 12. Free for those under 5 and 80 years young or older.

PILGRIMAGE

Come walk with us! Celebrate the 9a.m. Mass at St. Patrick's Fallowfield, Barrhaven and pilgrimage to St. Patrick's Basilica, Ottawa. Pilgrims who have joined us in the past are Fr. Mark Goring, the Servants of the Cross and the Queenship of Mary Community and people from in and around Ottawa. The 28 km walk will take approximately 8 hours, leaving 9:45am and concluding with a potluck reception in the Scavi of St. Patrick's Basilica. Check out the Pilgrimage details and signup! Check the route, need for a ride or able to provide a ride, optional start/finish points, potluck dish/volunteer cleanup here link: <https://tinvurl.com/St-Patrick-Pilgrimage>

KNOW YOUR SAINTS

Saint of the Day for February 12: Apollonia (d. c. 249)

The persecution of Christians began in Alexandria during the reign of the Emperor Philip. The first victim of the pagan mob was an old man named Metrius. The second person who refused to worship their false idols was a Christian woman named Quinta.

While most of the Christians were fleeing the city, abandoning all their worldly possessions, an old deaconess, Apollonia, was seized. The crowds beat her, knocking out all of her teeth. Then they lit a large fire and threatened to throw her in it if she did not curse her God. She begged them to wait a moment, acting as if she was considering their requests. Instead, she jumped willingly into the flames and so suffered martyrdom.

There were many churches and altars dedicated to her. Apollonia is the patroness of dentists, and people suffering from toothache and other dental diseases often ask her intercession. She is pictured with a pair of pincers holding a tooth or with a golden tooth suspended from her necklace. Saint Augustine explained her voluntary martyrdom as a special inspiration of the Holy Spirit, since no one is allowed to cause his or her own death.

Reflection

The Church has quite a sense of humor! Apollonia is honored as the patron saint of dentists, but this woman who had her teeth extracted without anesthetic surely ought to be the patron of those who dread the chair. She might also be the patron of the aging, for she attained glory in her old age, standing firm before her persecutors even as her fellow Christians fled the city. However we choose to honor her, she remains a model of courage for us.

Saint Apollonia is the Patron Saint of:
Dentists
Relief from Toothache

PILGRIMAGE OF HOPE MARCH 19, 2025 ST. JOSEPH'S ORATORY

With Fr. John Ogbaje and Queenship of Mary Sisters - Our Itinerary for the day: Holy Rosary, Confession, Holy Mass, Veneration of Relic of St. Brother Andre Divine Mercy Chaplet, Conference with Fr. Arul We leave from St Basil's Church - Depart at 8:00 am / Return at 6:00pm The cost is \$100.00 which includes, transportation and lunch We will start the Novena to St. Joseph on March 10th To register contact: Stan & Maria sbielec@sympatco.ca 613.914.0427

SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER

Mar 04 2025
5:30 pm - 7:30 pm
Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper, including pancakes, beans, sausages, dessert, tea, coffee, juice and water. Goodwill offering. Net proceeds to community charities.

Nepean, St. John the Apostle Parish