

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



MASSES OF THE WEEK

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

Sunday, September 27

10:30 a.m. † Michael Valiquette by Henry & Margaret Imbleu.
For the intentions of the Handmaids of the Lord.

Monday, September 28

(Private Mass) † Gracia Ranger by the estate.

Tuesday, September 29

Feast of St. Michael, St. Gabriel and St. Raphael

9:00 a.m. † Janet (Walsh) Manual by Patricia Marsden-Dole.

Wednesday, September 30

Feast of St. Jerome

(Private Mass) † Sadie Fawcett by her son George.

Thursday, October 1

Feast of St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus

9:00 a.m. In heartfelt thanksgiving to the Little Flower and for my special intentions by Michaela.

Friday, October 2

Feast of the Holy Guardian Angels

(Private Mass) † Gloria Pereira by her family.

Saturday, October 3

4:30 p.m. † Orlando Torres by his family.

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.

READINGS (Year A):

Sunday, September 27

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.

Tuesday, September 29

First Reading: Revelation 12.7-12a

Michael and his angels fought the dragon.

Gospel: John 1.47-51

You will see the Son of Man, with angels ascending upon him.

Thursday, October 1

First Reading: Job 19.21-27

I know that my redeemer lives.

Gospel: Luke 10.1-12

Your peace will rest on those who welcome you.

Saturday, October 3

First Reading: Isaiah 5.1-7

The vineyard of the Lord of hosts is the house of Israel.

Second Reading: Philippians 4.6-9

Keep on doing these things, and the God of peace will be with you.

Gospel: Matthew 21.33-43

The landowner will lease the vineyard to other tenants.

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.



Congratulations

Congratulations to David Webb and Lynn Kealey whose wedding took place here this weekend.

MESSAGE FROM FATHER VINCENT

Please know that the parish is very thankful to everyone for your on-going generous support, even while the parish was closed in the spring.

My thanks to all the volunteers for generously donating their time, enabling us to keep the church open every week since June. With the recent "uptick" in the number of virus cases in Ottawa, we are reminded that the pandemic is not behind us. In order to reduce the transmission of the virus, we must continue to follow the requirements of Ottawa Public Health by maintaining physical distancing and wearing masks inside the church and hand sanitizing as you enter. I am hopeful and look forward to the day when we will be able to open up the sanctuary and bring back all the ministries as they existed before the church was closed in March. Until then I am very grateful to everyone for your understanding.

May God keep us safe and protect us all from this virus!

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 this weekend and next weekend 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**. For more information and to sign-up for one hour between 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., visit: <https://www.40daysforlife.com/local-campaigns/ottawa>.

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.

FLOURISHING CONGREGATIONS SURVEY RESULTS: 8

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 strengthening family life?:

- 34.0% High or Essential Priority;
- 38.7% Somewhat a priority or Moderate priority;
- 4.7% Low priority or not a priority;
- 22.6% Neutral or unsure.

To what extent would you say your parish/ gives priority (or not) to healing and recovery?:

- 30.5% High or Essential Priority;
- 27.6% Somewhat a priority or Moderate priority;
- 9.5%;Low priority or not a priority;
- 32.4% Neutral or unsure.

To what extent would you say your parish gives priority (or not) to good music?:

- 51.9% High or Essential Priority;
- 29.8% Somewhat a priority or Moderate priority;
- 3.8% Low priority or not a priority;
- 14.4% Neutral or unsure.

To what extent would you say your parish gives priority (or not) to having activities for young people?:

- 33.0% High or Essential Priority;
- 25.5% Somewhat a priority or Moderate priority;
- 20.8%/ Low priority or not a priority;
- 20.8% Neutral or unsure.

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

- 33.6% High or Essential Priority;
- 31.8% Somewhat a priority or Moderate priority;
- 16.8%/ Low priority or not a priority;
- 17.8% Neutral or unsure.

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

"Miss no single opportunity of making some small sacrifice, here by a smiling look, there by a kindly word; always doing the smallest right and doing it all for love."
St. Thérèse of Lisieux