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## *A Thanksgiving Prayer*

*Heavenly Creator,*

*In this season of gratitude and abundance, we give You  
thanks for our many blessings as we pray for all  
who struggle with hunger and want.*

*Be with them in the dark of night, when all hope seems lost.*

*Keep their faith strong as they await relief.*

*And let Your goodness flow through our  
hearts and hands as we reach out to one  
another in the full, true joy of Thanksgiving in Christ.*

*Amen*

## TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

# Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



### MONDAY, October 14<sup>th</sup>

9:00am + Consuelo Fausto

### TUESDAY, October 15<sup>th</sup>

8:00am Intentions of Nhan Tran  
+ U.C Varghese  
+ Gerrit Kistemeaker

### WEDNESDAY, October 16<sup>th</sup>

8:00am + June Jean-Marie  
8:30am - 11:00am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament  
7:00pm + John Heeley  
+ Ralph and Melly Sare  
+ Isagani Banez  
Deceased Members of Pradas Family  
+ Guido Tremmaglia

### THURSDAY, October 17<sup>th</sup>

8:00am + Giovanni Zamon

### FRIDAY, October 18<sup>th</sup>

8:00am + Brigitte Tam Tran  
7:00pm Deceased Members of Valera Family  
7:30pm Divine Mercy Chaplet

### SATURDAY, October 19<sup>th</sup>

9:00am Intentions of Walter  
5:00pm + Fr Domenico Thieu Vu

### SUNDAY, October 20<sup>th</sup>

8:30am + Sid Reitsma  
10:15am + Fr Thieu Nguyen  
12noon + Paul DeCorso



May God's peace be with those who have recently died, especially **FADI KARAM, FRANCIS MCCAIG, and ERMA LACIVITA** and those being persecuted for their faith & race, and those killed in natural disasters & their families. Please remember our parishioners who are sick and homebound and those in our Prayer Network in your prayers.

### Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time - October 13, 2024

If we really believe in something, it does not seem to be a sacrifice to give up everything else to pursue that new dream. Jesus asks the same as any great leader...total dedication; but He promises rewards no one else can promise. "You will have treasure in Heaven, then come, follow Me." Come, follow the call of Christ as a priest, sister, brother or deacon. If you think God is calling you to one of these, call **Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton** at **905-528-7988** or email [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com).

### SANCTUARY CANDLES

Week of October 13, 2024

**Candle #1** – INTS of FRED and HELEN SYNNOTT

**Candle #2** – INTS of MARLENE COUGHLIN

Please use the envelopes provided request intentions for the Sanctuary Lamps, which are lit at the tabernacle- \$10 each candle.



### COLLECTIONS FOR THE PAST WEEK

Sunday Offering October 5/6 \$4,375.00  
Loose Collection \$1,303.05  
Thank you for your contribution and God Bless!

If you would like a receipt for your contribution, we need your name & full address. If you would like envelopes or to sign up for Pre-Authorized Donations, please call the Parish Office at 519-822-4614.



### SUNDAY REFLECTION

I write to deadlines and to available space. I allot the time and space required for the project and move on. For many, especially those who procrastinate, this is difficult to do. Many people yearn to achieve things, but they don't burn.

In today's Gospel, the rich, young man yearns for salvation, but he isn't burning. He is willing to do the minimum to gain eternal life, but he is very hesitant to step outside his comfort zone and go the extra mile. He is much like many of us. Do we burn with a passion for eternal life? Are we willing to do more than the minimum, which may be in our comfort zone, to gain eternal life? We may have good intentions, but are good intentions going to help us meet the deadline?

We fool ourselves if we think we can gain eternal life by our own merit. We need wisdom which comes from God. We need the Word of God to judge the "intentions of the heart." "For humans, [salvation] is impossible, but not for God." Today, let us pray for the wisdom of God to fill our hearts so that we may give ourselves over to God. Then we can step out of our comfort zone and burn with a desire to serve God. *Excerpt from Living with Christ.*

### POINSETTIA FUNDRAISER

We will be selling 6" Poinsettia Pots for \$12 through Terra Greenhouse. All proceeds will go towards the purchase of new cassocks for the Altar servers and other needs of our church. To place your order please call Tracy at the Parish Office (519-822-4614) or email at [stjosephgeulph@rogers.com](mailto:stjosephgeulph@rogers.com) by **November 15**. This is a great Christmas gift idea for family members and friends.



### ST JOSEPH MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

As Jesus reminds us that he is the vine and we are the branches, and it is the branches through which nourishment enlivens the vine, so it is with parish ministries. There are many ministries by which our parish is enriched – some of which require occasional participation, and others which entail regular service. One does not become a parishioner simply by attending Sunday Mass. Your

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involvement in one of these ministries will not only enrich your life, but it will also vitalize the communion of faith we enjoy at St Joseph Parish. We are looking for those who would like to join our adult choir for all Masses, Children's Liturgy (10:15am Mass) adult servers for Funerals, altar servers, lectors and Extra Ordinary of Holy Communion. Please contact Tracy at the Parish Office if you are able to help.

### **INTERNATIONAL FAMILY FIESTA- RETURNS**

Once again, we are having our International Family Fiesta on **Saturday, October 19<sup>th</sup>** following the 5pm Mass. If you "live" your culture and cook traditional foods, we would love to experience them in the Church Hall that evening. This will be a potluck style event where each group will have their own table of foods, flags and favours – come sample their foods! Also, if you want to contribute musically, we are encouraging this. Good will offering is accepted. We hope to see you there.

### **KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS SEMI-ANNUAL BOTTLE DRIVE**

Recycle your empty beer cans, bottles, wine & liquor bottles for St Joseph Knights of Columbus Charities Fundraiser. Start saving your empties, notify your neighbours and friends to drop their empties at St Joseph Parish back parking lot **on October 19<sup>th</sup> from 9:00am to 3:00pm**. You can also cash in your empties prior and put your donation in an envelope marked K of C Bottle Drive in the church collection basket or by dropping it off at the parish office. You can also e-transfer your donation to the Treasurer at: [coleri1955@icloud.com](mailto:coleri1955@icloud.com) – please add message that the transfer is for bottle drive. For more information please contact Peter at 519-763-8753 or Ray at 519-261-1850. Participants will receive a draw ticket for a \$50 gift card from Puffles. For more information regarding the chairites who are benefiting see our website: [www.kofcguelph.com](http://www.kofcguelph.com).

### **KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS FAMILY BINGO NIGHTS**

Come out and join the Knights of Columbus sponsored Fun Family Bingo Nights - **Saturday November 2 and December 7 in the parish hall**. Doors open at 6pm. Bingo starts and doors close at 6:30pm, so arrive early to save your spot! Please bring your own snacks, drinks, bingo dabbers, tape and markers. Entrance fee is \$3.00 (to cover expenses). Bring your family and friends for a fun evening!

### **KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS – GUELPH STORM HOCKEY**

Attention Guelph Storm fans – you can save \$5.00 when you buy a ticket for games in October (18<sup>th</sup> - **5 tickets**, and 25<sup>th</sup> – **10 tickets**). Call Terry at 519-766-0808 or Ray at 519-261-1850 or Paul at 226-343-4030 for more information. Ticket cost is \$20.00.

### **KNIGHTS OF MEMORIAL MASS**

A Memorial Mass for our Guelph-area Knights of Columbus deceased brothers will be celebrated at 7 pm on **Thursday, October 17<sup>th</sup> at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate**. For more information, please contact District Deputy Craig Chamberlain at [dd69@ontariokofc.ca](mailto:dd69@ontariokofc.ca)

### **CATHOLIC WOMENS LEAGUE ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BAZAAR**

**DATE:** SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9

**TIME:** 9:00 AM TO 2:00 PM

Come out, bring a friend and enjoy baked goods, Attic Treasures,

Silent Auction, Craft Table, Penny Table, Main Draw Tickets (cash prizes), Santa Photos & Touch & Take Gift Table. Delicious Lunch Menu – hot dogs, Homemade Pizza, Chili and more. Please remember to bring your own shopping bags.

The Ladies of the Catholic Women's League will be in the hall on Thurs. **November 7 from 12noon to 5pm and Friday November 8 from 9am to 6pm**. to accept your donations for the Penny Table, Silent Auction Bake Table, Craft Boutique, and Attic Treasures. **Reminder that we will not except electronics, hard cover books, exercise equipment or used clothing as donations.** Bake Table Donations: any desserts, pies, squares, tarts muffins and any canning items would be greatly appreciated.

### **ALL SOULS DAY MASS - Marymount Cemetery**

The annual All Souls Day Mass at Marymount Cemetery will take place on **Saturday, November 2 at 11:00**. The principal celebrant will be Most Rev. Douglas Crosby, OMI, Bishop of Hamilton. All are welcome!

### **ST VINCENT de PAUL**

St Vincent de Paul will be commencing their Red Bag Collection on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of every month starting **the weekend of October 26/27, 2024**. Many people in our community are still struggling to make ends meet and put food on the table for their families. SVDP volunteers will be at the back of the church after all masses to collect monies in support of their mission. Also, a reminder please continue to use the green envelopes in your collection box or an envelope marked SVDP for your monthly donation. Thank you for your support in our mission to help those in need in our community.

### **LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR (LSS)**

Come and experience the joy of encountering the Holy Spirit! The OSG-BLD Guelph Charismatic Covenant Community is sponsoring a Life in the Spirit Seminar this Fall. Weekly sessions begin Oct 11th at 8:PM, in the church hall. The seminar ends with a weekend retreat on November 22-24 at St. Peter School, Guelph. The seminar is FREE of charge and is open to all Catholics ages 18 and up. To register or for further information please scan the QR code or contact Rico & Normhie Capili (226-820-2322; [inrico\\_capili@yahoo.com](mailto:inrico_capili@yahoo.com)), E.J. & Kaye Desepeda (519-835-0325; [ejdesepeda@gmail.com](mailto:ejdesepeda@gmail.com)), or the parish office.

### **DIOCESE VOCATIONS MONTH**

October is Diocesan Vocations Month. Please pray for the men and women of our diocese who are discerning their vocations to marriage, priesthood, the permanent diaconate, the dedicated single life, and consecrated life, that is, as a consecrated virgin living in the world, or as a religious priest, brother or sister. Since it is also the month of Our Lady of the Rosary, you are encouraged to offer the Rosary, in particular, the Luminous Mysteries, for vocations. Blessed Virgin Mary, Our Lady of the Rosary and Mother of Vocations, pray for us!

### **PRAY for VOCATIONS**

O Mary, who raised your Divine Son with the guidance of the Holy Spirit, intercede for all young people, especially those clouded by doubt about their vocations.

May the light of grace pierce their hearts so they may answer your Son's call, especially those whom He is inviting to the priesthood and consecrated life. Amen



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