

27th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - October 8th, 2017

MASS INTENTIONS



Wednesday 9:15 am	October 11th For the Parish Community
Thursday 6:30 pm 7:00 pm	October 12th Adoration For the Parish Community
Friday 9:15 am 1:00 pm	October 13th For the Parish Community Thanksgiving Mass at St. Marguerite d'Youville School
Saturday 5:00 pm	October 14th † Don Johnston by the family
Sunday 9:00 am 11:00 am	October 15th For the Parish Community † Fernando Munez by Amparo Fostser

THE NEXT BAPTISMAL PREPARATION will be held on Thursday October 26th at 7:30 pm and baptism will be held on Sunday, October 29th at 11:00 am.



Please call our parish office, at 613-738-1943, for more information or to register for the next Baptismal Preparation.

Remember in your prayers all who are in need of our prayers that God's healing and comforting presence may be with them, especially: **Mary Dawn Johnston, Sharron Quinlan, Carmen Cinanni, Onagh Dooley, Richard Darbyshire, Larry Corrigan, Tami Thompson, Kevin Dillon and Ingetius Anton.**



Please contact the parish office to inform us of those who are ill and in need of God's healing and comfort. They will be listed in our bulletin and in the Sunday petition prayers.

Renewal of prayers for the sick is available by contacting Pat Gagne (613-523-0769) or the office at (613-738-1943).

YOUR OFFERINGS:

Regular Collection for Sept 30/Oct 1 **\$2,473.40**
Thank you for your generosity and support

Cash counters for October 15th
Maureen Monaghan & Levert Dorval

Pastor's Message

"The Vineyard of the Lord"

The readings of this Sunday employ the metaphor of the vineyard. The vineyard represents the nation of Israel, the cultivators are the religious leaders of Israel, and the owner is God. The messengers are the prophets sent by God to water the vineyard with their sweat and sometimes with their own blood.

The metaphor describes a cultivated vineyard that must be tended and protected. In order that its life force be put to the best possible advantage, it needs to be watered and pruned and protected from whatever might hamper its growth. What is also necessary is protection from predators and from those who might rob the owner of its produce. The metaphor suggests that while the vines themselves might be hardy, they are also vulnerable. So is the reign of God. It must be tended and protected from what might endanger it so that it can produce abundant and delectable fruit.

We do not slip out of the reign of God by accident. There are times when, regardless of what God seems to be doing for us, we simply rebel against God's plans. We stand in defiance and cry out: I will not serve; I will do what I want. There are other times when we who are disciples of Jesus act as if the kingdom is ours, to direct or to manage it as we see fit. We might even marginalize or force out others with whom we do not agree, so that we have sole control. Unfortunately, we may not be above such treachery.

The psalm speaks of repentance. It describes a new situation after a time of infidelity. Once again, God will care for the vine, and it will rejoice in its new life. As terrifying as God's judgement may appear to be, there is always the hope of another chance.

Fr. Lusabe, CM
Pastor

PRO-LIFE MASS

The next Mass on the Pilgrimage Journey to pray for the establishment of a Pro-Life Centre in Ottawa takes place on **Saturday, October 21st at 9:00 am at St. Augustine Parish, 1060 Baseline Road, Ottawa.** Celebrated by Rev. Father Francis Scott. Join us after Mass for refreshments.

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WORLD MISSION MONTH

This year, *World Mission Sunday* will take place on **October 22nd**. On that day, we celebrate who we are as Christians: missionary disciples. It's a time of prayer. We are also invited to look beyond our local Church in Canada and assist through financial gifts, the missionary work needed in the young dioceses in many developing countries. An example of this work is providing health care centres, building schools, and empowering lay pastoral workers, construction of convents and presbyteries. Please pray for the missions and show generosity on *World Mission Sunday*.

Our Lady, Undoer of Knots, is Consoler and Mother of the Rising Sun. She brings hope into your life, for in her hands, there is no knot that cannot be undone.

In celebration of the month of the Holy Rosary in October the CWL will be adding our petitions to a prayer basket at the foot of the statue of Mary. We invite all parishioners to join us in prayer and dedication to Our Lady, Undoer of Knots. Your intentions will be part of daily masses. Note pads and pens will be available for your convenience.



CHANGE OF DATE FOR CWL MEETING

Please note that the CWL meeting has been moved to **Thursday, October 19th at 7:30 pm**

MARK THE DATE - OCTOBER 28TH



The Knights of Columbus are organizing a Halloween Party and Karaoke night. More details to follow.

Children's Liturgy Schedule

October 15th - Ama Uchelimafor

October 22nd - Leanne de Leon

A REMINDER TO ALL THE PARENTS that every first Sunday of the month there will be a family Mass at **11:00 am** and the choir will be led by the youth and children of the parish. If you are interested in joining, contact Lisa Uchelimafor at asil4.eva@gmail.com. There will be a practice on Sunday mornings prior to the family mass.

CLOTHING DRIVE - Are there items in your closet

that your family no longer wears? The **Ottawa South St. Vincent de Paul Conference** is holding a clothing drive to aid the St. Vincent de Paul stores on Wellington St. and Merivale St. We will be collecting new and gently used clothing for men, women and



children after masses on *Saturday October 14th and Sunday October 15th*. Please put your donations in the boxes provided at the back of the church.

NEW LIFE RETREAT- *A Life-Changing Experience*

If you need a faith lift; need direction to help make life choices, then join for a weekend that will provide an opportunity to encounter God's love and to receive a new infusion of grace and power to live the Christian life.

October 13, 14, 15 and 16, 2017 at St. Mary's Parish, 100 Young Street, Ottawa
Brochures at the back of the church.

ANNUAL ARCHBISHOP'S CHARITY DINNER

A fundraising event in support of families. At the Ottawa Conference and Event Centre on **Wednesday, October 18th**. The Archbishop has chosen four beneficiaries this year: Serenity Renewal for Families, Patro D'Ottawa, House of Hope and Healing and Centre des Services à la Famille. Order tickets or Info: Development Office (613-738-5025, ext. 202) or (dev@archottawa.ca).

Let us celebrate the 100th Anniversary of Our Lady of Fatima - October 13 & 14, 2017

A Solemn Holy Mass will be celebrated by His Grace, the Most Reverend Terrence Prendergast, S.J., Archbishop of Ottawa, at *Notre Dame Cathedral at 7:30 p.m.* on Friday, October 13th and on *Saturday, October 14th, a conference starting with Holy Mass at St. Maurice Church* celebrated by His Excellency, Bishop Riesbeck, then a short procession with the Pilgrim statue of Our Lady of Fatima to St. Gregory School, for the conference with speakers **Rev. Fr. Allan MacDonald**, Superior General of the Companions of the Cross and **Msgr. Ambrose Sheehy**, Spiritual Director of the Legion of Mary, Toronto Senatus. **Registration: \$15.00/per person** (includes lunch). Call **Angela** at 613-829-0320 or send email

legionofmaryregia@gmail.com

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CRA CHARITY NUMBER - Our parish is registered with CRA as: PAROISSE ST BERNARD 128967353RR0020. This number is needed to setup payroll charity giving.
