

ST. LAWRENCE O'TOOLE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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9:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.*

✠ Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time ✠

July 9, 2023

60th ANNIVERSARY: St. Joseph's House, Combermere is having an Open House to celebrate their 60th anniversary, **NEXT** Sunday July 16, 1-4 p.m. Music and food, shopping and visiting old friends and new. Donations of finger food would be appreciated. *This will also be an opportunity to say farewell to its director Sandra Novakowsky (11 years) and meet the new director, Joanne Dionne.*

PILGRIMAGE TO THE SHRINE OF ST. ANN, CORMAC: Sunday, July 30 with Fr. Real Ouellette "Living a Daily Life with the Trinity" Thursday, July 27th at 7:00 p.m.; Friday, July 28th at 7:00 p.m.; Saturday, July 29th at 7:00 p.m. Mass and Homily given each evening by Fr. Real Ouellette. Sunday, July 30 Celebrations 11:00 a.m. Outdoor Mass of Healing at the Shrine; 1:00 p.m.

Welcome to all our summer visitors!

Fourteenth Week in Ordinary Time

July 10 – 15

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| Tuesday | 9:00 a.m. | (with <i>Our Lady of Perpetual Help Devotions</i>) + Domenic & Mary Mintha by <i>Glenn Prince & Alicia Coulas</i> |
| Friday | 9:00 a.m. | +Gail Chapeskie by <i>Karen Sullivan</i> +Noreen Leonardo by <i>Leah Kinghorn</i> |

+ Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time +

July 16, 2023

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| Saturday | 4:00 p.m. | + Teresa Sullivan by <i>Greg Sullivan & Family</i> |
| Sunday | 10:30 a.m. | Mass for the People |

Liturgical Appointments

Readings

Communion

Offertory

July 15

Martin Yakabuski

Neil O'Reilly

Bruce Sullivan

Barry Dombroskie

July 16

Paul Aikenhead

Ursula Jeffrey

Eddie Etmanski

Jason Dombroskie

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Saturday 3:15 p.m. – 3:45 p.m. in sacristy.
Weekdays – before weekday Masses in sacristy or by appointment during office hours.

IN YOUR PRAYERS, PLEASE REMEMBER:

- for parishioners and friends who are sick, especially: *Carmel Rumleskie; Gerard O'Malley; Fr. Grant Neville, Fr. Ken O'Brien, John Lynch*
- for those who have died, especially: *Bob Maika, Jimmy Sullivan; Edmund Peplinski, John Pronovost; Rita (Anderchek) Cybulskie-Babinski*

ROMAN CALENDAR:

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| Monday | - Ferial – ordinary weekday |
| Tuesday | - St. Benedict, abbot |
| Wednesday | - Ferial – ordinary weekday |
| Thursday | - St. Henry |
| Friday | - St. Camillus de Lellis, priest |
| Saturday | - St. Bonaventure, bishop, doctor |

I WILL GIVE YOU REST: In the Gospel today the Lord Jesus repeats to us the words that we know so well but that never fail to move us: “Come to me, all who labour and are heavily laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light” (Mt 11:28-30).

As Jesus went along the roads of Galilee proclaiming the Kingdom of God and healing many sick people, “he had compassion on the crowds, for they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd” (see Mt 9:35-36).

Jesus’ gaze seems to extend to this day, to our world. Today, too, it rests on so many people oppressed by difficult living conditions and lacking valid reference points to find a meaning and a purpose for their existence. Exhausted multitudes are found in the poorest countries, harshly tried by poverty; and even in the richer countries there are numerous dissatisfied men and women who are even ill with depression. Let us think of the many evacuees and refugees, of all those who emigrate, putting their own lives at risk. Christ’s gaze then rests upon all these people, indeed upon each one of these children of the Father who is in Heaven and repeats: “Come to me, all...” of you.

Jesus promised he would give everyone “rest”, but on one condition: “Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and lowly in heart”. What is this “yoke” which lightens instead of burdening, which instead of oppressing, uplifts? The “yoke” of Christ is the law of love, it is his commandment which he bequeathed to his disciples (see Jn 13:34; 15:12). The true remedy for humanity’s wounds, both material — such as hunger and injustice in all its forms — and psychological and moral, caused by a false well-being, is a rule of life based on fraternal love, whose source is in the love of God. For this reason it is necessary to abandon the way of arrogance, of violence used to obtain ever more powerful positions, to assure oneself of success at any price.

It is also necessary to give up the aggressive attitude with regard to the environment which has prevailed in recent centuries and to adopt a reasonable “gentleness”. However, in human, interpersonal and social relations above all, the rule of respect and of non-violence, namely, the power of the truth against every kind of abuse is what can assure a future worthy of the human being. *Angelus Address by Pope Benedict XVI; July 3, 2011*

IT’S SUMMERTIME – ANOTHER SEASON, ANOTHER THEOLOGY LESSON!

Saint John Paul II wrote that “to contemplate creation is to hear a message.” What message? As Pope Francis put it, “The entire material universe speaks of God’s love, his boundless affection for us. Soil, water, mountains: everything is, as it were, a caress of God.” For those with eyes to see, he continues, “there is a mystical meaning to be found in a leaf, in a mountain trail, in a dewdrop.” “For from the greatness and the beauty of created things their original author, by analogy, is seen” (Wisdom 13:5)

LAST WEEK'S SUNDAY OFFERINGS: Total: \$3,470.65; (Envelopes: \$2,798.00; E-Transfers: \$160.00; Loose: \$352.65; Visitors: \$150.00; Evangelization Project: \$10.00 [People at Mass: 4:00 p.m./155; 10:30 a.m./123])

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: We will once again publish requests for prayers for the sick. Because of privacy laws, these requests can only be published if the parish office is notified by the person who is sick or by family or friend who has been given permission to make the request on their behalf. The request will be published for two months after which time the request must be renewed.

PARISH BULLETIN EMAIL LIST: is being updated over the next couple of months. If you also like to be sent the Holy Canadian Martyrs Parish Bulletin, please let the office know.

CORMAC PILGRIMAGE CHOIR REHEARSAL: Interested singers or instrumentalists are invited to join in the rehearsals for the upcoming 2023 Cormac Pilgrimage at St James Parish Hall in Eganville, on Monday July 17th and Monday, July 24th at 6:30 pm.

RECOLLECTION FOR WOMEN at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish in Pembroke on Thursday, July 20th from 11 am to 1 pm. Take a break from your busy schedule to think about your life, your relationship with God and gain a fresh outlook. Includes exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, guided prayer, examination of conscience, confession, benediction and a talk. Bring your lunch for a get together afterward.

THIS SUNDAY'S READING FROM ROMANS: Romans 8 is the chapter of the Spirit. We have seen that the Christian, baptized into Christ, lives with his life, the life of the Spirit of Christ. This means that the Christian's whole value-system is that of the Spirit, the reverse of the values of the 'flesh'. 'Flesh' in Paul does not mean, as it often does in modern parlance, only the grosser, 'carnal' desires such as sex, gluttony, drunkenness. In the Letter to the Galatians 5.18-21 (and in many ways Galatians is a preliminary to Romans) the 'works of the flesh' includes such non-physical things as sorcery, rivalry, quarrels, malice. The concept of 'flesh' therefore centers on unchecked or un-schooled natural desires, self-indulgence as opposed to self-control. To live by the law of the Spirit is therefore not to live by the Law of Moses, which merely checks external actions, nor to live by the law of the flesh, but is to live by the Spirit of Christ, from which spontaneously well up love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, trustfulness, gentleness and the other Christ-like motivations. In this sense the Law of Christ does not restrain from without but impels from within.

~ *Henry Wansbrough OSB*