



**22<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY  
IN ORDINARY TIME**

“Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it.”  
- Mt 16:24b-25

Excerpt from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCC

**EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS**

**The Vision of Stewardship**

I love the original movie *Willy Wonka & the Chocolate Factory*. All the way through while I watch the film I still laugh and feel like a child. It is only the last line with which I have an issue. Wonka by now has chosen Charlie to succeed him as head of the chocolate factory. They board an elevator that proceeds to crash through the roof and begins to fly. Wonka then asks Charlie if he ever heard of what happened to the boy who got everything he ever wanted. After Charlie says no, Wonka explains, “He lived happily ever after.” As I get older, I can say I have met several people who got all or most of all they have ever wanted, but unlike Charlie, it did not lead to endless bliss. In fact, as a Christian I know that that statement of Wonka’s is a lie. The secret to living happily ever after lies in not getting all you ever wanted, but instead in giving all you ever wanted away.



A person can’t have any sense of that reality until they begin to see his or her life transformed by Jesus. When we have accepted the challenge placed before us and made a choice to live a certain way daily, we can find ourselves transformed. Following Jesus is not easy, but it is the only true way to find authentic joy. When we have emptied ourselves and allowed him to fill the open spaces in us, we become different. We are transformed and, if enough of us in a parish community experience the same journey, our parish is transformed as well. Then we begin to transform the world around us. Don’t be fooled: A flying elevator is cool, but it pales in comparison to what can happen when we find a new life in Jesus Christ.



- Sat. Aug 29 5:00 Intentions of Jack & Dorothy Walters (Teresa Walters)
- Sun. Aug 30 9:30 Missa Pro Populo  
11:00 † Sophie Rybiak (Liliana Haynes)
- Mon. Aug 31 In Honour of St. Joseph (Teresa Walters)  
Recovery & Health for Stephan Lastovic Bisson (Family)
- Tues. Sept 1 8:30am † Alex Huynh (Huynh Family)
- Wed. Sept 2 † Dorothy Racz (Racz Family)
- Thurs. Sept 3 † Barbara Bedek (Rosemary & Steve Lastovic)
- Fri. Sept 4 † Anthony Fernandes (Marguerite Fonseca)
- Sat. Sept 5 5:00 † Francesca Rocca (Bianco Family)
- Sun. Sept 6 9:30 Missa Pro Populo  
11:00 † Mike Ciolfi (Larocque Family)

**(Weekday Masses 9:30am. Confessions from 9-9:20am before all weekday Masses.)**  
**Holy Hour & Confessions Mondays 7-8pm**  
**Summer Mass Schedule (July & August):**  
**Saturday 5pm, Sunday 9:30 & 11am.**

**Offertory August 22nd & 23rd , 2020**

**Offertory \$ 1, 390**

**DIOCESAN POLICY REGARDING THE MANDATORY USE OF FACE COVERINGS**

Information regarding this policy can be accessed directly from our website homepage using the link or from the menu under “From the Bishop’s Office”.

**We welcome back all parishioners for the celebration of Mass.** Please note that ushers will now greet parishioners at the top of the stairs to assist with seating & any questions you may have. The hand sanitizing station is located there as well. Face coverings are mandatory until at least October 1st as mandated by the Regional Municipality of Niagara. If you have any questions regarding these and other protocols, please consult our website or phone the office. Thank you.

**Date changes for Special Collections**

Due to the challenges of this year and the Covid-19 pandemic, The Holy See has re-scheduled some of the special collection dates as parishes were closed. If you would like the opportunity to make a donation, envelopes are in your offertory boxes or you can use a plain envelope marked with your name and offertory number.

The rescheduled dates are as follows:

- Sunday, 13 September 2020: *Church in the Holy Land* (Rescheduled from Good Friday by the Holy See).
- Sunday, 27 September 2020: *Needs of the Church in Canada*
- Sunday, 4 October 2020: *Pope’s Pastoral Works* (Rescheduled from the Second Sunday of Easter by the Holy See)
- Sunday, 18 October 2020: *World Mission Sunday*
- Sunday, 1 November 2020: *C.C.O.D.P – Development & Peace*

Please remember in your prayers the soul of †**Sue Christensen** who passed away June 29th, 2020. Her funeral Mass was celebrated on August 28th in our parish. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, rest in peace.