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**Sunday, September 10th, 2023**

**23<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY  
IN ORDINARY TIME**

“If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have won over your brother.”  
- Mt 18:15

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Sat. Sept 9	4-4:45pm	<b>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Confessions</b>
	5:00pm	✠ Guiseppa Iamonaco (Melissa Middleton)
Sun. Sept 10	9:30am	Missa Pro Populo
	11:00am	✠ Margaret Young (Mike & Anne Young)
Mon. Sept 11	9:30am	<b>No Mass</b>
Tues. Sept 12	9:30am	✠ Kelly Morellato (Racz Family)
	7-8pm	<b>HOLY HOUR &amp; Confessions</b>
Wed. Sept 13	9:30am	Special Intention of Adelaine Nohara (Keri & Dave Harrison) Vince Addario (Lena Addario)
Thurs. Sept 14	9:30am	Paul Jr., Julia & Mia Nohara (Annette Mastracci & Fam.)
Fri. Sept 15	9:30am	Special Intention of Adelaine Nohara (Keri & Dave Harrison) Reparation for offences Committed against the Sacred Hearts of Jesus, Mary & Joseph (Colin & Teresa Walters)
Sat. Sept 16	4-4:45pm	<b>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Confessions</b>
	5:00pm	✠ Nicola Colangelo (Rosa Colangelo)
Sun. Sept 17	9:30am	✠ Fedora Tonini (Melissa Middleton)
	11:00am	Missa Pro Populo

**Confessions from 9-9:25am before all weekday Masses.**  
**Offertory August 27th, 2023—\$1,422.50**  
**Offertory September 3rd, 2023- \$2,137.00**  
**Maintenance—\$195.00**

**The parish office will be closed** during the week of September 11th– 15th.  
Fr. Jacek will be away the week of September 18th. Weekday Masses and Tuesday Holy Hour will be cancelled. Fr. Jacek will celebrate the scheduled Masses privately.

**Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

What are you supposed to do about the bad behaviour of the people around you? You know who I'm talking about. That family member, friend, coworker, or acquaintance who is quite immoral. On this front there are two lively options in our culture: bash the person to others (probably online) or pretend everything's fine. The former damages the person. The latter ignores reality. What to do?



Jesus' strategy in the Gospel of Matthew is as wise as it is difficult: go directly to the person, and then gradually expand the circle of intervention. Simple, often effective, and hard. But what we often miss is the context of the Lord's strategy, "If your *brother* sins against *you*..." Notice the italicized words. Is the person in a Christian familial bond with you? And was the action in question against *you*? If so, proceed with the plan. Fine. But how often we fret over the sins of those who either aren't our spiritual siblings or have done nothing directly to us. This is not an invitation to ignore injustice in the world. Rather, we should build bonds of fraternal love, and carefully discern when and how others' sins are indeed our concern. Sometimes they are. Other times — frequently, perhaps — they simply are not.

**Special Collection : Needs of the Church in Canada, September 24th, 2023.** Every year, the Bishops of Canada appeal for financial assistance. This collection helps each diocese make its annual contribution to the national Episcopal Conference and to the respective regional episcopal assembly (in the Atlantic, Quebec, Ontario and Western regions). The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops is the national assembly of Catholic Bishops. Contributing to this collection is an act of collaboration with the Bishops in their ministry of teaching, sanctifying and pastoral governance. **Envelopes are in your offertory boxes. Donations can also be made by e-transfer.**

**EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS**  
**The Blessing of the Community**

I have been blessed to be a member of my parish community for 28 years. For much of that time I was serving as a member of the parish staff, but it was still the community that I call home. I have been fortunate to be able to remain in that parish even as my life has encountered new chapters and callings. I am so grateful to God that I have been able to grow, be nourished, and find companionship in a parish for this long of a time.

It is a natural tendency for human beings to desire belonging to something bigger than themselves. Not everyone is fortunate enough to find the community, big or small, that fulfills that need. Unfortunately, that means that many communities suffer from not having the benefit of the gifts, skills, and talents that any member can offer. Communities are in many ways living organisms that move and breathe based upon the individuals who form that body. A community is truly the sum of its parts.

Your parish community reflects you and everyone else in that community. The more each member gives to the community, the stronger that community finds itself. If you hold back, your community suffers, and you gain little. I know firsthand what being a part of a community can mean to a person. I would be no one at all – and you would not be reading this – if it weren't for the life I have had in my parish community.

**Sunday, September 17th, 2023**

**24<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY  
IN ORDINARY TIME**

Peter approached Jesus and asked him, "Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus answered, "I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times."  
- Mt 18:21-22

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**Fr. Jacek is away this week. He will celebrate Masses from September 19-22 privately.**

Mon. Sept 18	9:30am	<b>No Mass</b>
Tues. Sept 19	9:30am	First Birthday Blessings for Karina Simoni (Danuta Mazur)
	7-8pm	<b>HOLY HOUR &amp; Confessions CANCELLED</b>
Wed. Sept 20	9:30am	Intentions of Jonathan Hoffman (Colin & Teresa Walters) ✠ Paul Nohara (Annette Mastracci & Fam.) ✠ Robert Vaillancourt (Pat Vaillancourt)
Thurs. Sept 21	9:30am	✠ Angelina Addario (Vince Addario)
Fri. Sept 22	9:30am	The Harb Family (Bruno, Cynthia & Gianna) (Annette Mastracci & Fam.) Special Intention (Vince Addario)
Sat. Sept 23	4-4:45pm	<b>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Confessions</b>
	5:00pm	✠ Irena Baran (Jan & Lana)
Sun. Sept 24	9:30am	✠ Angelina Iamonaco (Melissa Middleton)
	11:00am	Missa Pro Populo

**Confessions from 9-9:25am before all weekday Masses**  
**Children's liturgy will resume on September 10th.** Children's liturgy is designed to introduce our parish children to the Word and allow them to participate fully in the liturgy. On a rotating schedule, the Children's Liturgy volunteer leads the children in an age-appropriate liturgy of the Word downstairs in the church hall during the Sunday 9:30 Mass.



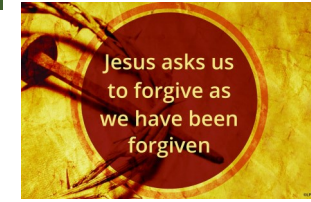
**St. Ann Family Pasta Take Out**  
**Our next dinner will be on Thursday, Oct 4th from 3-6pm.** Pasta dinner including 4 meatballs, salad and roll (\$15), Dozen meatballs (\$15), 30oz container of Sauce (\$8). **Frozen**

**meatballs and sauce are available for sale.**  
**Donations of supplies/food for these events are always welcome and help defray our operating costs:** Pasta – Penne Rigate, Large 100oz cans of "San Marzano" tomatoes (It's a red, white and green can from Costco), Tub of pre-peeled garlic, Extra virgin Olive Oil, vinegar, sugar, sea salt, parsley, sweet onion, bread crumbs, romano cheese, lettuce, carrots, eggs.

**Twenty Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

When I was in second grade, my prized possession was a metal Star Wars-themed lunch box. After school one day, another student ripped it from my hands. I helplessly watched in horror as my classmate threw it to the ground and violently stomped it into an unrecognizable heap of junk. I came home covered in tears of shame and rage. After a few months, I never thought about it again ... until I was almost thirty years old and on a retreat to prepare for ordination to the priesthood.

That childhood memory — and the attendant outrage — came back afresh. My spiritual director helped me in the process of acknowledging that I was angry because that kid *owed* me my lunch box. Then she helped me, through the grace of Jesus, to forgive the debt. Almost immediately I felt a new peace. I was amazed that I hadn't forgotten what I had lost, even from years before. Aren't we human beings simply amazing at remembering what people owe us?



We see this week in Jesus' parable a servant who is forgiven much but then commands another servant: "Pay back what you owe!" He can't forget or let go of how he was wronged. He *remembers* — and he becomes a monster because of it. If only he had remembered not only the debts owed to him, but also his greater debt owed to — and forgiven by — his master. It's natural for us to remember what others owe us. But when we contextualize those offenses in Jesus' mercy toward us and them, we're free to be merciful like the Master and less like a monster who never forgets.

**Everyday Stewardship**

Life was not always easy with my father when I was growing up. Let's just say he made many decisions along the way that led to fear, anger, and sadness for my family and me. Unfortunately, I was the only one in the family that would years later truly forgive him for his actions. My mother and sister held onto the resentment and anger they felt all their lives. For my father and me, reconciliation led to several years of a deepening relationship before his passing in 2011. Forgiveness is not easy and I do not consider myself better or stronger because I was able to forgive and my family members could not. However, I can say that the blessings I received due to forgiveness and a renewed relationship with my father were far better than the animosity experienced by others. I also learned that forgiveness benefited me far more than my father.

As good stewards of time, we must realize that each passing day will never come again. What we do with that time is completely up to us. We can be wise and use it to build bridges, heal wounds, and cultivate love where there is hate. We can also choose to waste time in fear, resentment, and anger. I thank God often for the gift of my dad. However, I thank God more for the gift of time spent with him and the ability to see him not with my human eyes, but with the eyes of Jesus.

**Confirmation Registration:** If your child does not attend St. Ann School and would like to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in November, please phone the office to register for the sacrament.

**Youth Ministry will resume soon:** We are in the preliminary stages of planning our Youth Ministry program for this fall—to begin sometime in late Sept-early Oct. Students in Grades 5-8 will have the opportunity to participate. The Sisters of Our Lady Immaculate have once again agreed to lead and co-ordinate the program. All information/registration forms will be forwarded once details have been finalized.



