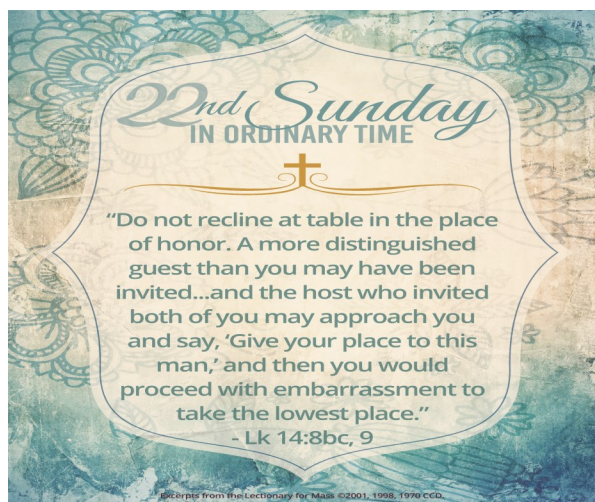


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Sunday, September 1st, 2019



Sat. Aug 31	9-10am	Confessions
	4-4:45pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Confession
	5:00pm	✠ Cor & Mary Vanderlee (Leo & Emmy Reus)
Sun. Sept 1	9:30am	✠ Nicola Colangelo (Rosa Colangelo & Family) ✠ Irena Baran (Ethel DellaValle)
	11:00am	Missa Pro Populo
Mon. Sept 2	9:30am	✠ Jennifer Hopper (Teresa Walters)
	7-8pm	Holy Hour & Confessions Cancelled
Tues. Sept 3	9:30am	Tara Hilton (Karen & Michael)
Wed. Sept 4	9:30am	✠ Mary Whalen (Teresa Walters)
Thurs. Sept 5	9:30am	✠ Helen Albanese (Vince Addario)
Fri. Sept 6	9:30am	Gerrit & Kaitlyn Vermeer (Karen & Michael)
Sat. Sept 7	9-10am	Confessions
	4-4:45pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Confession
	5:00pm	✠ Gerry Berkhout (Leo & Emmy Reus)
Sun. Sept 8	9:30am	Missa Pro Populo
	11:00am	Grandpa & Granny Kennedy (Austin Bosco Columba Wilson)

Reconciliation from 9-9:20am before all weekday Masses.

Offertory August 17th & 18th, 2019

67 Envelopes	\$1,610.00
Loose Collection	\$ 57.00
Total Offertory	\$1,667.00
Catholic Missions in Canada	\$ 40.00

Offertory August 24th & 25th, 2019

59 Envelopes	\$1,486.00
Loose Collection	\$ 41.00
Total Offertory	\$1,527.00
Missionary Fraternity of Mary	\$1,319.30

Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Can you imagine if Jesus threw a party? From the wedding feast at Cana, we know he wouldn't let the wine run out. From this Sunday's Gospel, we know there would be quite a lively array of guests! We also knew who the most important people would be - everyone. Jesus advises throwing a party that turns everything upside down. Everyone should assume they're the least important attendee, and the guest list shouldn't include the neighborhood "who's who." Rather, we should go looking for "the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind" and hope they RSVP. Jesus describes a particular posture towards our own hospitality. Parties are about the other people. "Do not recline at table in the place of honor." How often can small talk become a one-upmanship of job promotions, home renovations, and our children's achievements? We've all been to parties where being the most interesting guest is the highest achievement. Yet so often, we know the best party guests are the ones who listen well to our stories. Whether we are guests or hosts, we have the opportunity to look on others with humility and awe. Parties are opportunities to serve. Jesus advises us to be careful who we invite "in case they might invite you back and you have repayment." Does Jesus literally mean we shouldn't invite our friends over? Of course not! But he does invite us to special consideration when we offer hospitality. When we invite people over to our home, what motivates us? Who we want to spend time with? Who we'd like to impress? These ultimately have only ourselves in mind. How about asking: Who could use some extra care right now? Who could benefit from a fun evening out? In other words, who can I serve?



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Pope's Prayer Intention Month of September: Evangelization: That families, through their life of prayer and love, become ever more clearly "schools of true human growth."

Labour Day: This day has its foundation in the union organizing history of our country and the rise of the workers to strive for a better life. Let us remember today all those who laboured to obtain for us the right to work in a safe environment with decent wages. We ask all this through the intercession of St. Joseph, patron saint of workers, in the name of Jesus and in the unity of Holy Spirit. St. Joseph the Worker, pray for us.

You Can Help Your Marriage – Are you frustrated or angry at each other or have you just stopped talking to each other? Retrouvaille helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. This program has helped tens of thousands of couples. For confidential information, or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on **October 25, 2019** at the Mount Carmel Spiritual Centre in Niagara Falls, please call **905-664-5212** or email: Teamrecine@gmail.com or visit the web site at www.retrouvaille.org.

Prayer for the Beginning of a New School Year: Father, We thank you for the opportunity to begin this new school year, and we ask that you bless the students, faculty, and student families that make our school a great place. We pray that you will guide us in your ways, so that we will seek your will in everything that we do, and love others as you love us. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Please remember in your prayers the soul of **Hélène Tetreault**. The funeral Mass will be celebrated in our parish on Saturday, September 14th at 11am. Also remember in your prayers the souls of **Raymond Kardas, Maria McMillan & John Van Teunenbroek**. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR

ORDINARY MOMENTS: Give Graciously

I love the verse in Sirach where it says, "My child, conduct your affairs with humility, and you will be loved more than a giver of gifts." This is an interesting concept for those of us who think a stewardship way of life is all about the giving of gifts. When we start to think that all we are called to do is give for the sake of giving, we have missed the point. We are called to be gracious givers. We are called to allow the Jesus in us to encounter the Jesus in others. Humility does not mean that we hide away after we give, but we give in a way that has less to do with us and more to do with the one in whose name we give. Our world needs philanthropy and generosity, but it needs Jesus even more. We want to be good examples to others of how to be generous, not because we want them to be like us but like Jesus. Give all things with a gracious heart and disposition. Do not take any credit for that generosity but instead let it point to Jesus. After all, it is Jesus who calls us to a mature faith where we answer the call every day regardless of the cost. Without that maturity and answering the call, would we really be driven to be generous givers? Knowing that left to our own devices we would probably not be very successful as a giver of gifts should make us very humble anyway. -Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

Cathedral Appeal Update: www.saintcd.com/appeal. After launching our appeal on the weekend of May 11/12 in our parishes, as of August 16, 2019, our appeal has raised \$337,789.09 in cash donations and \$69,439.20 in pledges. This brings our total raised to \$407,228.29 or 33.9% of our \$1,200,000 goal. We thank God for the wonderful start to our restoration project, and we thank you for prayerfully considering a financial contribution to this important project so that we can keep the momentum building! **Our own parish to date has donated \$5250.**

Knights of Columbus Cathedral Appeal Fundraiser Pasta Dinner- Buffet Style -Starlight Ballroom Limited Seating for 200 Club Roma, 125 Vansickle Rd. St. Catharines, Thursday, September 19, 2019, \$15 per person. Menu penne, red sauce, home-made meatballs, sausage dinner roll, salad, coffee, tea, dessert. Cash Bar. Time 6PM. 50/50 Draw. Table reservation for eight or more. *Proceeds to the restoration appeal for the Cathedral of St Catherine of Alexandria.* For Tickets call Al Craig – 905-988-1222 Maria Clifford – 905-984-6299 Rinaldo Disanto – 905-358-2250 Club Roma – 905-682-7621 Cathedral – 905-684-3964

Join the SAINTCD group study of Pope Francis' latest apostolic exhortation, Christ is Alive and learn more about his message to Young People and their place in today's Church. This study series will run from **7 – 9pm** for **five consecutive Thursdays beginning September 19th** at the **Catholic Centre**, 3400 Merritville Highway, Thorold. Cost is \$25 with the book or \$10 if using a free and downloadable copy of Christ is Alive. Register by Sept. 13th by calling 905-684-0154, emailing familyandyouth@saintcd.com or online at: <https://forms.gle/nneRz5FF6dw4W9Bj7>

All are welcome to a free presentation on The Art of Sacred Listening, facilitated by Rev. Bob Bond, Coordinator of Spiritual and Religious Care at Niagara Health, on **September 24, 2019** from **7-9:00 pm** at the Catholic Centre, 3400 Merritville Highway in Thorold. Come learn about the importance of empathetic listening and its role in compassionate care of family and those in crisis. Register by calling 905-684-0154 or emailing familyandyouth@saintcd.com.

Parish Calendar

September....

Sept 1st.....	Spanish Mass 1pm
Sept 4th.....	Confirmation Classes resume 3:30-5pm. Youth Ministry resumes 6:30pm
Sept 6th....	First Friday visitation of the sick and homebound. Phone the office.
Sept 7/8....	Sundae Sunday following all Masses
Sept 11th....	Confirmation class 3:30-5pm
Sept 12th...	Bingo resumes 7pm
Sept 18th....	Confirmation class 3:30-5pm
Sept 18th.....	Opening School Mass 9:30am
Sept 25th.....	Confirmation class 3:30-5pm
Sept 29th.....	Special Collection—Needs of the Canadian Church.

Children's Liturgy Workshop: Sept 7th at Catholic Centre. All information is posted on our website, parish bulletin board and the Diocesan website. *This is a great opportunity for those who may be considering volunteering for this ministry. New volunteers are needed in our parish.*

Other Ministry volunteers needed: Please phone the office soon if you can assist with church cleaning, lector, Eucharistic Minister, Youth Ministry, Bingo, Seasonal Agricultural ministry, altar serving, music, church maintenance (inside and out including gardens). Information about these ministries is posted on the parish website www.stannfenwick.com. **Church cleaning commitment requires about 2 hours ever 4 weeks.**


Thursday Bingo: Thank you to the Bingo team for paying for the cost of our new parking lot lines. As of the end of August, Bingo has covered \$2110 for church maintenance this year alone. Their contributions over many years has been tremendous. This weekly fundraiser resumes on **Thurs. Sept 12th at 7pm.** If you can spare some time to volunteer, let us know very soon. Also, we need participants. It's a fun bingo, not expensive for an evening out and helps cover some of our church expenses.

Elisha House Baby Bottle Campaign: A total of **\$1,372.26** was collected in our Parish! Elisha House thanks you for your very generous contributions to the work they do in the community. Overall, in the community, Elisha House raised \$40,008.84 through this campaign in 2019.

Outdoor Mass Mount St. Joseph Cemetery, Port Colborne on Thursday, Sept. 5th at 6pm. Rain Date will be Wed. September 11th at 6pm.

Outdoor Mass at Holy Cross Cemetery, Welland on Saturday, Sept. 21st, at 11am. Rain date will be Sat., September 28th at 11am. **Bishop Bergie will be the celebrant for both Masses.**

The Divine Mercy Devotees of Niagara is hosting: *2000 Hail Mary's*, Saturday, September 7th, 2019, Starting at 8 a.m. SACRED HEART CHURCH, 3882 Main Street, Chippawa. Enter on Welland Street Parking Lot. You may come and leave anytime you please. For further information contact: Jessie Santos cell 416-528-8741 or Wilma cell 647-978-4485



YOUTH MINISTRY: "Equipping young Catholics to share the truth through word, deeds, and actions, so that their lives are forever purpose-driven and centred on Christ, inviting others to do the same." Returns Wednesday evenings beginning **September 4th** from 6:30-8:30pm. All Youth in Grades 5-12 are invited to attend. **Confirmation Classes** resume **Wed. Sept 4th** from 3:30-5pm. Attendance is mandatory for all candidates.

