

Fourteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

"Is he not the carpenter, the son of Mary, and the brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon?"

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday, July 6, 5:00 p.m. Mass - For world peace, the poor and the Parishioners of St. Peter's

Sunday, July 7, 9:30 a.m. Mass + For the repose of the Soul of Marcelina Basallo by Kris Camonayan and Family Prayers and Healing for Xonni "Sunny" Camonayan and Michael Cauthron by Kris Camonayan and Family

11:00 a.m. Mass + For the repose of the Soul of Bridget Khan by Kay Liver

Monday, July 8, No Mass

Tuesday, July 9, No Mass

Wednesday, July 10, 8:30 a.m. Mass

Thursday, July 11, 8:30 a.m. Mass – Memorial of St. Benedict, Abbot

Friday, July 12, 8:30 a.m. Mass

Saturday, July 13, 5:00 p.m. Mass - For world peace, the poor and the Parishioners of St. Peter's

Sunday, July 14, - Fifteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

9:30 a.m. Mass + For the repose of the Soul of John Carroll by his Wife and Family

For world peace, the poor and the Parishioners of St. Peter's

11:00 a.m. Mass + For the repose of the Soul of Bridget Khan by Kay Liver

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME REFLECTION: This Sunday gospel reading gives us an account of the visit of Jesus to his 'home town', which we know to be Nazareth. Just as he has already done in Capernaum, here too he teaches in the synagogue on the Sabbath. But the reaction of the townspeople is not positive. How can this local man be gifted with so many fine qualities? They are determined to find fault with his wisdom and with his actions. They go on to speak of his family. They know his mother, and they know his relations. His humble origins rule out anything special. 'And they would not accept him.' The sense of the Greek word used here suggests they were determined to find excuses for not accepting him. John's gospel will express this with the momentous words: 'He came to his own, and his own would not accept him.' (John 1:11) This passage is important in the unfolding drama of the gospel. It was not only the religious and political leaders who were against Jesus. Jesus quotes what seems to be a common proverb in antiquity: 'A prophet is only despised in his own home.' The passage ends with the strange remark that 'he could work no miracles there'. The healing work of Jesus is not forced on those who do not wish to receive it, and who are not open to the new deeds the Lord is doing. The text from the prophet Ezekiel confirms that, like Jesus, the ancient prophets of Israel often experienced rejection. St Paul, facing 'a thorn in the flesh', hears those comforting words of the Lord: 'My grace is enough for you.' We too should trust the goodness of God in our efforts to witness to Christ. What does the rejection of Jesus in Nazareth teach us? What do you think motivated the attitude of Jesus' compatriots? We pray for those who face opposition because they live according to the values of the gospel. We pray for missionaries and for those who witness to the truth amid injustice.

QUO VADIS? Where are you going? Is the Lord calling you to serve him as a priest? Join other men discerning the priesthood for monthly formation, fellowship, and Eucharistic Adoration. The next session will be held on July 18, 2024, 7:00 p.m. at the new Café des Tours, located in the basement of Notre Dame Cathedral in Ottawa. To join the Quo Vadis email list or for more information, contact Fr. Connor O'Hara, the Vocations Director for the diocese, at vocations@ottawacornwall.ca

Collection – June 29 and 30, 2024: Envelopes: \$560.00, Loose: \$419.45; St. Vincent de Paul: \$102.00; Vigil Lights: \$59.20; Parish Roof Replacement: \$1, 030.00; Mass Intentions: \$380.00; Nigerian Community: \$250.00; Clergy Support: \$40.00; Grand Totals: \$2, 840.20.

THANK YOU for your generosity and support.

ROOF REPLACEMENT CONSTRUCTION PROJECT: St. Peter's Church and Prince of Peace School will be undergoing this replacement project over the summer during the months of July and August. The building, including the school, needs a new roof. The school board has contracted to have the work done; they will be paying for most of this, as the school is the largest portion of the building. However, we will need to pay for our share, which will be around \$144,000.00. So please, help us to whatever level you can Envelopes for the roof replacement project can be found on the bulletin board shelf at the main entrance of the church. Thank you for your generosity and support in advance.

Diaper Assistance: Diapers will be given out the last weekend of each month after all masses in the gym. Families can also contact the parish office any time for diaper requests. Serving the youngest among us with joy, thanks be to God!

Pilgrim Statue: From July 5 – 7, the Pilgrim statue of Our Lady of the Cape will make one stop in Ottawa at St. Patrick Basilica, 281 Nepean St., this weekend before continuing to Lucas Oil Stadium (U.S.A.) for the Eucharistic Congress in July.

150TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE TO STE-ANNE-DE-BEAUPRÉ AND OUR LADY OF THE CAPE Pilgrimage to Ste. Anne de Beaupré and Our Lady of the Cape from the Dioceses of Ottawa-Cornwall, Pembroke, Mont-Laurier/St-Jérôme, Kingston and Gatineau on August 10-11. The weekend celebrants are Archbishops Marcel Damphousse, Terrence Prendergast, Guy Desrochers, and Bishops Yvan Mathieu, Raymond Poisson, and Pierre Goudreault. This may be the last annual pilgrimage. For registration contact mike.budge@bell.

TRAVELLERS' PRAYER: Heavenly Father, be with all those who travel during these days of summer. Let them be conscious of safety as they travel and bring them safely to their destination and home again. During days of vacation grant refreshment of spirit crowned with the joy of renewed fellowship with distant family and friends. Remind all who travel that their small journey is but a faint echo of the true journey of life, a journey back to you.

ATTENTION VACATIONERS!!! If you're away on vacation this summer, please remember that our Parish expenses never take a holiday. Our Parish can only function if its bills are paid, so we require your ongoing help. Thank you so much for your continued generosity and support in keeping our Church operating and beautiful!

ARE YOU ASKING ENOUGH? One of the hardest lessons in prayer is to ask enough. We're afraid to seem greedy or selfish, so we ask for less and we ask less often, than our heavenly Father wants us to. We forget that the Father expects us to expect great things from him. We remain doubtful, hesitant, not allowing our hopes to build up for fear of disappointment. We ask for a thimble full of water and all he knows how to give is an ocean. We lack the abandon of the child within us. The child throws itself arms open wide into the embrace of the one it trusts. The child expects his provident care, expects to rest in the shadow of his outstretched arms. This week, pray believing in God's infinite mercy and generosity. Be willing to ask for what you need, all you need, as long as you need. Our Father's ability to give will overwhelm you.