

Twenty – Third Sunday In Ordinary Time

“This happened so that the works of God might be displayed in him.”

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday, September 7, 5:00 p.m. Mass + For the repose of the Soul of Anna by Anna Nguyen

Prayers, Birthday Thanksgiving and Blessings for Philomena Talye Orobor and for Edobor Rgrimprim on their birthday

Sunday, September 8, 9:30 a.m. Mass + For repose of the Soul of Edwardo R. Nuevo by the Torres Family

Pro - Populo (For all parishioners) by Fr. Hezuk Shroff

11:00 a.m. Mass In Thanksgiving and Birthday Blessings for Rosa Raquel Batres by her daughter Ana Vicente and Family.

Monday, September 9, No Mass

Tuesday, September 10, No Mass

Wednesday, September 11, 8:30 a.m. Mass – For the personal Intentions of Fr. Pierre Champoux by Karine Langley

Thursday, September 12, 8:30 a.m. Mass Opt. Memorial of the Holy Name of Mary

For the personal Intentions of Fr. Hezuk Shroff by Karine Langley

Friday, September 13, 8:30 a.m. Mass – Memorial of St John Chrysostom, Bishop, Doctor

+ For the repose of the Soul of Cecil LeBreton by Jane LeBreton

Saturday, September 14, 5:00 p. m. Mass +For repose of the Souls of Monique, Lyanne, Geraldine, Bertha and Meylender by Karine Langley

Sunday, September 15, - Twenty – Fourth Sunday In Ordinary Time

9:30 a.m. Mass + For the repose of the Soul of Brian Arden by Jane LeBreton

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

11:00 a.m. Mass - Pro - Populo (For all parishioners) by Fr. Hezuk Shroff

TWENTY – THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME REFLECTION: This weekend 23rd, Sunday in Ordinary Time, a particular miracle story is only found in the Gospel of Mark. It happens in pagan territory, and is a sign of the openness of Jesus to healing all people. In this healing miracle Jesus uses different techniques to cure the man, including placing a spittle on the man's tongue. Such techniques are known to have been used by other healers in ancient times, and it is remarkable that on occasion Jesus uses them too, perhaps to show that all healing is the work of God. The word 'Ephphatha' is one of the rare instances of Aramaic words of Jesus being recorded by the evangelist. Aramaic was the native language of Jesus, while the gospels record everything in Greek, the international language of the day. The Aramaic word has to be written down in the gospel using Greek letters. Hearing and speech are restored to the man, but Jesus then commands silence about the miracle. This is a particular feature of the gospel miracle stories and may be explained if we recall that Jesus was particularly concerned not to be made the leader of a popular movement, perhaps even a revolt against Roman rule. The purposes of the coming of Jesus are not involved with the politics of the day but with the true healing of people and societies. The passage concludes with an allusion to the prophecy of Isaiah in our first reading. The days of the blind seeing, the deaf hearing and the dumb speaking were long desired by the people of former times. God's coming, it was hoped, would transform people's lives and the whole of creation. The miracle story suggests that these days have come. Who then is this man Jesus? How can we imitate Jesus' openness to people of different races and cultures? What is our attitude to people with disabilities? Let us pray that we may use all our senses in the service of the gospel. We pray for those who exercise healing ministries.

QUO VADIS? HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS: 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 September 19, 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 – August 31 and September 1, 2024: Envelopes: \$550.00, Loose: \$446.60; St. Vincent de Paul: \$141.00; Vigil Lights: \$35.95; Parish Roof Replacement: \$295.00; Clergy Support: \$155.00; Grand Totals: \$1,623.55. 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, August and September. The new roof needed for our church and school. Now, the time has come to protect this restored beauty from the ravages of wind, rain, and snow. The total cost for this project is \$704,383.00. However, we will need to pay for our share, which is \$144,000.00. We hope you will be able to help with this important project for the protection of the church interior. Envelopes for the roof replacement project can be found on the bulletin board shelf at the main entrance of the church or Interac e – Transfer to our Parish with the email: stpeters1640@gmail.com. Funds raised for this project will not be subject to the diocesan tax (13%). Thank you for your generosity and support with this project.

SEASON OF CREATION MASS: Celebrate the opening of the 2024 Season of Creation with a bilingual Mass, celebrated by Auxiliary Bishop Yvan Mathieu on Saturday, September 7 at 5pm at Notre-Dame Cathedral. The John Dorner award will be presented at the end of Mass followed by a reception in the Café des Tours (located on the lower level of the Cathedral).

Visit of Cardinal Gerhard Ludwig Müller from Rome -- His Eminence will be visiting the Archdiocese of Ottawa – Cornwall this week and will be leading the following celebrations listed for everyone to attend. Friday, September 13th, from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. the Cardinal will give a talk at St. George's Church, on The Question of God – Today.

- Saturday, September 14th, Celebrate a Pontifical Mass at St. Clement Parish, on the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, at 10:00 a.m.
- On Sunday, September 15th, at 9:00 a.m. his Eminence Cardinal Müller will celebrate mass for the 100th Anniversary of the blessing of St George's Church in our parish region.

Being self-conscious permeates our lifestyle today: We keep an ever-vigilant eye on our clothes, our hair, our houses and cars. Everything must be just right, at the peak of style. We stumble through life staring point blank in a harsh mirror, most often desperately displeased with what we see. With a shudder we note the failures: Our neighbours are smarter or more successful. Our coworkers perform better and get promoted faster. It's a sad fact of human nature this desire to be first or best. And like most of human nature it makes us profoundly unhappy. Such focus on self-analysis and success isn't new to our century. Consider the disciples sitting at the feet of the Master, squabbling over whom was the greatest among them. How heartbreaking to have their eyes turned inward when they had Someone so much better to focus on! Like us the disciples needed to learn that a mirror is not the best reflector of our souls. If we wish to be the best child of God we can be, there is only one view we must seek: the face of our Saviour. Looking at Jesus puts everything in perspective, gently, yet purposefully, pushing us back into our place. His face is the clearest picture of what we need to be.

NOTRE DAME CEMETERY MASS - SEPTEMBER 08: Join Notre-Dame Cemetery as we celebrate the lives of those interred within our grounds. The commemoration will begin at 2:30 p.m. on September 08 at the entrance of Notre-Dame Cemetery, just behind the grave of Sir Wilfrid Laurier. Afterwards, the Bishop or his delegate will bless the graves of individuals whose loved ones are present at the celebration.

HOPE CEMETERY MASS - SEPTEMBER 15: The commemoration will begin at 2:30 p.m. on September 15 in the Hope Chapel. Afterwards, the Bishop or his delegate will bless the graves of individuals whose loved ones are present at the celebration