

AUGUST 10 & 11, 2024



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WELCOME to all who have come to worship and pray with us this weekend. We are glad you are here!

PASTORAL STAFF

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Deacon Gian Girolami
Deacon Brian Prieur
Mr. Stefano De Feo, Administrator
Ms. Wes Moga, Youth Minister
Mrs. Jean Goobie, Bookkeeper
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SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday: 5:30 p.m.
Sunday: 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Offered during 11:00 a.m. Mass
(Sept - June)

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday: 8:00 a.m.
Wednesday: 8:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.
Thursday: 8:00 a.m.
Friday: 8:00 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 4:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
**Or by appointment*

ADORATION (1 HOUR)

Friday: 8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.

OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday-Friday 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
**Closed for Lunch: 12:00 - 12:30*



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19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Welcomes YOU!

Whether you are new to our parish, or have been with us for many years, your presence leaves a unique mark on the life of our church. As your Pastor, I am excited you are with us today to build an even stronger parish community now and into the future.



Fr. Ross Campbell

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

TUESDAY, AUGUST 13 NO MASS	8:00AM
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14 + Domenico Villella	8:00AM
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14 + John Ivan Mesic + Avio Diletti + Dilia Narduzzi	7:00PM
THURSDAY, AUGUST 15 + Rosalina Susi	8:00AM
FRIDAY, AUGUST 16 + Deceased Members of the Rodrigues Family	8:00AM

THE 20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SATURDAY, AUGUST 17 + Jozef Luchak + Fabio & Donna Pettorossi + Avio Diletti + Mario Krajcar + Martin Thein Phu Nguyen + Vater Matesa + Elizabeth McLeod + Francesco D'Alesio + Patricia Mair + Rosanna Dalpra - In Thanksgiving for Prayers Answered + Vincenzo Pinelli	5:30PM
SUNDAY, AUGUST 18 + Deceased Members of the Beraldo Family	9:00AM
SUNDAY, AUGUST 18 - Mass for the Parishioners	11:00AM

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

Monday	Rev. Mussie Keflezghi, M.C.C.J.
Tuesday	Rev. Vivek Trindade
Wednesday	Legionaries of Christ (L.C.)
Thursday	The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Friday	Rev. Christopher Tracey
Saturday	Rev. Raphael Ma, C.R.

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REMEMBER YOUR PARISH Keep your love for your parish alive. Remember St. Francis Xavier Parish in your will and when recommending expressions of sympathy.

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY, AUGUST 12

Ezekiel 1.2-5, 24-28; Psalm 148.1-2, 11-12, 13, 14;
Matthew 17.22-27

TUESDAY, AUGUST 13

Ezekiel 2.8-3.4; Psalm 119.14+24, 72+103, 111+131;
Matthew 18.1-5, 10, 12-14

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14

Ezekiel 9.1-7; 10.18-22; Psalm 113.1-2, 3-4, 5-6;
Matthew 18.15-20

THURSDAY, AUGUST 15

Revelation 11.19; 12.1-6, 10; Psalm 45.9-10, 11+12+14, 15;
1 Corinthians 15.20-26; Luke 1.39-56

FRIDAY, AUGUST 16

Ezekiel 16.1-15, 60, 63; Isaiah 12.2, 3+4-6;
Matthew 19.3-12

SATURDAY, AUGUST 17

Ezekiel 18.1-10, 13, 30-32; Psalm 51.10-11, 12-13, 16-17;
Matthew 19.13-15

SUNDAY, AUGUST 18

Proverbs 9.1-6; Psalm 34.1-2, 9-10, 11-12, 13-14;
Ephesians 5.15-20; John 6.51-58

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

Tuesday - 13th	8:00 am - NO MASS 9:00 am - Service Camp
Wednesday - 14th	8:00 am - Mass 9:00 am - Service Camp 7:00 pm - Mass
Thursday - 15th	8:00 am - Mass 9:00 am - Service Camp
Friday - 16th	8:00 am - Mass 8:30 am - Adoration 9:00 am - Service Camp
Saturday - 17th	4:30 pm - Confessions 5:30 pm - Mass
Sunday - 18th	9:00 am - Mass 11:00 am - Mass



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OFFICE CLOSED

Please note that the office will be closed:

Tuesday August 13, 2024

The office will reopen on Wednesday August 14, 2023.

ADVERTISERS NEEDED

Our bulletin advertising pages are being prepared for the upcoming year beginning August 31st/Sept 1st. We are in the process of reaching out to our current advertisers so watch your mail. If you are not yet an advertiser and would like more information please contact the parish office at (905-662-8593) by **August 20**.

2ND ANNUAL SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL GOLF TOURNAMENT

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C.W.L. RETREAT

FRIDAY, SEPT. 20 – SUNDAY, SEPT. 22



Mount Carmel Spiritual Centre, Niagara Falls

Our theme this year is “**Living A Fulfilled Life With the Guidance of the Holy Spirit**”. The cost of the entire weekend (2 nights accommodations plus 6 meals) is \$300 and C.W.L. members who attend the entire weekend will be subsidized \$25.00. There are also options to attend a portion of the weekend.

All women over 18 years are welcome. It is a relaxing faith-filled weekend in a beautiful facility.

If you are interested in attending or would like more information, please call Carol, 905-643-3532. We will need to submit attendance numbers by September 6.

WEEKLY RECIPE

Stuffed Peppers

- 1/2 lb ground steak
- 1/6 cup chopped onion
- 1/2 cup uncooked rice
- 1/2 tsp Worcestershire sauce
- 2 to 3 peppers
- 1 can tomato soup, divided
- Sprinkle of garlic powder
- Sprinkle of salt
- 1 cup of white cheddar cheese, grated, divided

Brown meat, onion and spices in skillet. Stir in 1/2 soup and uncooked rice. Add some water. Cover and simmer for 15 minutes. Add 1/2 cup of grated cheese and stir. Cut the tops and clean out centres of peppers before boiling. Boil peppers for 5 minutes in large pot. Drain peppers. Fill peppers with meat mixture. After filling peppers, place in casserole dish and add some cheese and remainder of tomato soup. Place in oven at 350°F for 30 minutes.

INSTRUCTION: The *Days of Reparation* will begin on **Sunday, August 11, 2024**, and conclude with a **Mass at 12:00 noon on Monday, August 19, 2024**. The following prayers are to be said each day leading up to the Mass for the reparation of the blasphemous acts during the opening ceremony of the Paris 2024 Olympic Games, where they outwardly mocked the Lord's Last Supper.

PRAYER OF REPARATION FOR THE OFFENCE OF BLASPHEMOUS ACTS



With humble hearts, we come before You, O Lord, deeply grieved by the blasphemous acts committed by others against Your Divine Majesty. We offer our prayers of reparation through the Immaculate Heart of Mary, seeking to console Your Sacred Heart and to make amends for these grievous sins.

O Blessed Mother, through your pure and sorrowful heart, we present these prayers of reparation. Intercede for us, that our prayers may reach the throne of God and bring consolation to His wounded love. We ask you to offer our sincere repentance and heartfelt sorrow to Your Son, that He may forgive those who have committed such blasphemies. May they come to know Your boundless love and mercy, and may their hearts be transformed by Your grace. We pray for their conversion, that they may turn away from sin and come to honor and glorify Your Divine Majesty.

Dear Mother Mary, we entrust our prayers to your Immaculate Heart. Help us to stand firm in our faith and to defend the honor of God with courage and love. May our lives reflect our devotion to You and to Your Divine Son, Jesus Christ.

Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever. Amen.

PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.



If you would like to voice your concerns to the **International Olympic Committee**, the information is found below:

By phone (international): **011 41 21 621 61 11**

OR

E-mail: **pressoffice@olympic.org**

Contact them through their website: **www.olympics.com/ioc/contact-us**

CATHOLIC REPARATION

AN OVERVIEW

INTRODUCTION TO REPARATION

Reparation is a spiritual practice within the Catholic faith that involves making amends or atoning for sins and offenses committed against God. This truth is deeply rooted in the understanding of sin and its consequences, both personal and communal. Reparation is seen as a way to restore the balance disrupted by sin and to bring healing and reconciliation between humanity and God.

THEOLOGICAL FOUNDATIONS

The practice of reparation is based on the belief in the infinite mercy and justice of God. According to Catholic teaching, every sin offends God and harms the sinner, as well as the broader community. Reparation seeks to address these offenses by offering prayers, sacrifices, and acts of charity as a means of atonement. This is not to be confused with the sacrament of Confession, where sins are forgiven. Instead, reparation is about making amends for the temporal effects of sin.

HISTORICAL CONTEXT

Reparation has been a part of Catholic tradition for centuries, with its roots in Scripture and the writings of the Church Fathers. It gained particular prominence with the apparitions of Jesus to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque in the 17th century, where Jesus expressed the desire for reparation for the ingratitude and indifference shown to His Sacred Heart. This led to the establishment of the Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, which includes acts of reparation as a central component.

PRACTICES OF REPARATION

Engaging in reparation can take many forms, including:

- ❖ **PRAYER:** Special prayers and litanies, such as the **Prayer of Reparation for the Offence of Blasphemous Acts**, the Rosary and the Divine Mercy Chaplet are also powerful tools for reparation.
- ❖ **SACRIFICES:** Fasting, abstinence, and other forms of self-denial are offered as a way to participate in Christ's suffering and to atone for sins.
- ❖ **ACTS OF CHARITY:** Performing works of mercy, both corporal (feeding the hungry, visiting the sick) and spiritual (instructing the ignorant, comforting the sorrowful), are ways to make reparation.
- ❖ **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:** Spending time in adoration before the Blessed Sacrament is a profound way to make reparation.

LIVING A LIFE OF REPARATION

Engaging in reparation is not just about specific acts or prayers but about adopting an attitude of humility, repentance, and love. It calls for a recognition of one's own sins and a desire to make amends, as well as a commitment to intercede for others and for the world.

CONCLUSION

Catholic Reparation is a profound and meaningful practice that invites the faithful to participate in the redemptive work of Christ. Through prayers, sacrifices, acts of charity, and devotions, Catholics can help repair the damage caused by sin and bring healing to themselves and the world. By embracing a life of reparation, believers align themselves more closely with the heart of Jesus, who calls all to conversion, penance, and reconciliation.

NEW THIS MONTH (PAMPHLETS)

The Immaculate Heart of Mary symbolizes purity, compassion, and unwavering devotion in Catholic tradition. It represents Mary's profound love and sorrow as the mother of Jesus, united with her divine son's mission of salvation. This devotion emphasizes her role in God's plan and her enduring commitment to guiding and interceding for humanity. Through her immaculate heart, she embodies the virtues of faith, hope, and charity, offering a model of perfect love and sanctity.

If interested, pick one up in the Narthex.

THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY



REMINDER!

This is a reminder that the Service Camp begins on Monday August 12th. Drop off time will be 9:00am at the Parish Centre. Pick up is at 4:00pm.

Look forward to seeing all of you!

CARD CLUB IS BACK!

After a short Summer break, we are happy to announce that Card Club will resume play on Tuesday, September 10 in the Parish Centre. Everyone is welcome.

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