

*Twenty-sixth
Sunday in
Ordinary Time*
October 1, 2017



MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS: SEPT. 30 TO OCT. 8

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Saturday	Sept. 30	Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time	
4:30 pm		Our Parishioners	
Sunday	Oct. 1		
9:00		Patricia & Generoso Antazo	Jennelyn & family
11:00 am		Richard Low	Annette Drayton
Monday	Oct. 2		
8:30 am		Albanese family	
Tuesday	Oct. 3		
8:30 am		Billy Tilli	Mary Tilli
Wednesday	Oct. 4		
8:30 am		Jackie Scimone	Claudine
Thursday	Oct. 5		
8:30 am		Nina Kojoian	Rose Martins
Friday	Oct. 6		
8:30 am		Nina Gallo Kojoian	Juliette Coelho & family
Saturday	Oct. 7	Twenty-Seventh Sunday in ordinary Time	
4:30 pm		In thanksgiving	Clayton & Maureen
Sunday	Oct. 8		
9:00 am		Our Parishioners	
11:00 am		Rosalba Caputo	Her mom and family

SANCTUARY LAMP:

Week of:

October 1 **Claire Borrelli (L)**, requested by the parish.

October 8: TBA

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION: October 6 is the First Friday of the month. After Mass, you are invited to join us for an hour between 10:00 a.m. and midnight for exposition and adoration of the Holy Eucharist. Please sign up in the book at the back of the church.

LORD, GRANT MERCY AND LASTING PEACE to those who died recently and strength and comfort to those who mourn them:

ROGER RIVET, husband of Anne Rivet, father of Lisa, Michelle and the late Julie.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS

September 16/17:

Offerings \$4, 968.65

Building Fund: \$1,537.00

September 23/24:

Offerings: \$4, 821.00

Needs of the Canadian Church: \$1, 472.00

Upcoming special collection: October 08 – Religious Education

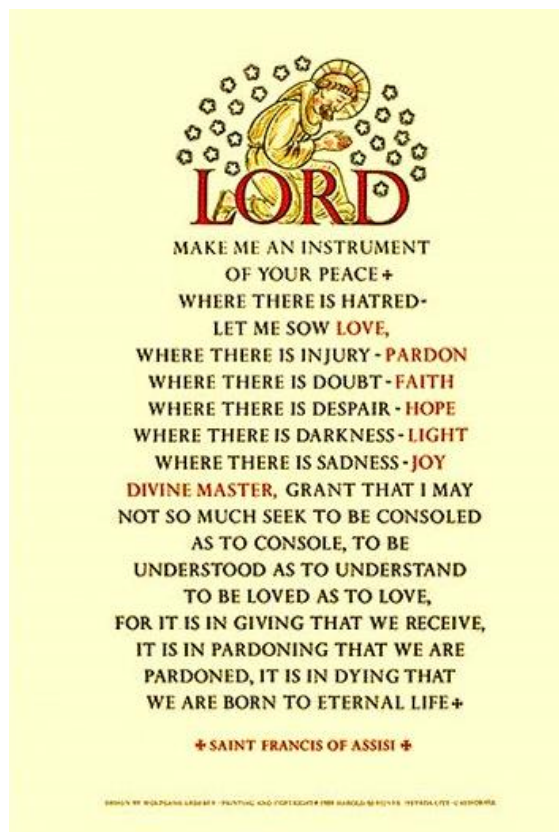
FEAST OF ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI: OCTOBER 4



Francesco Bernardone was born in 1181 at Assisi, Umbria, Italy. The son of a wealthy cloth merchant, he lived a lavish and irresponsible life. At twenty, he went to war against Perugia, but was captured and imprisoned. During his imprisonment he experienced a vision from Christ and changed his life completely. The Lord told him to “rebuild my Church”, and this one friar had a huge transformative effect on the whole mediaeval Church. He left all his possessions and embraced complete poverty, taking the Gospel as his rule of life.

He wore ragged old clothes, begged for food, preached peace and was part of the first “mendicant” order of friars, in contrast to the more usual monks who stayed in their monasteries. He began to attract followers, and in 1209 with papal blessing he founded the Friars Minor (Franciscans). Then, in 1212, with St. Clare of Assisi, he founded the Order of “Poor Ladies,” now known as the “Poor Clares.” He also founded the “Third Order of Penance” which included lay people. He was the first person known to receive the stigmata (the five wounds of Christ), in 1224. He died on October 4, 1226, at Portiuncula. He was canonized by Gregory IX less than two years later, and is perhaps the most beloved saint in the Church, revered also by many non-Catholics. St. Francis is the patron saint of animals and of ecology. Today the Franciscans are the third largest religious order (after the Jesuits and the Salesians), and his followers include also the Capuchins and the Friars of the Renewal and others. The Franciscans are also the official custodians of the holy places in the Holy Land.

BLESSING OF THE PETS: In the spirit of St. Francis, there will be a blessing of the pets, large and small (no elephants, please) on the Apron of our church next **Sunday, October 8, at 2 pm.**



WHAT IS A CHAIN PRAYER? Do you sometimes get emails trying to create guilt if you do not forward them? You know, “send this to 10 people in three hours, and something good will happen to you”; if you love God (or care about children, or about our armed forces, etc.), you will not delete this message.”

Here is what the Missionaries of Charity have to say about this phenomenon, as many such messages are sent (falsely) in the name of Mother Teresa: Chain letters or chain prayers are superstitious practices that can create fear and lessen our faith in God who loves us and who is not controlled by the number of letters sent or prayers said. The Catholic Church teaches that “According to Scripture, it is the heart that prays. If our heart is far from God, the words of prayer are in vain.” (Catechism of the Catholic Church, #2562). It also states that “In the battle of prayer we must confront erroneous conceptions of prayer, various currents of thought, and our own experience of failure. We must respond with humility, trust, and perseverance to these temptations which cast doubt on the usefulness or even the possibility of prayer” (CCC, #2753).



FAITH FIRST NEWS

Confirmation Gathering #1 Tuesday, October 10

Level 1/2 (SP3) Gathering #1 Friday, October 13

BEGINNING THIS WEEK! THE CATHOLIC FAITH ALIVE: The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (“RCIA”) begins on Wednesday, October 4 at 7 pm. Learn what we believe as Catholics and why. For all who want to deepen their faith, especially those thinking of becoming Catholic or who are not yet Confirmed. Join Fr. Peter Sabbath and Fr. Tijo George and their team and learn in an open atmosphere of discussion, prayer and friendship. No charge, no obligation. Contact Fr. Peter at (514) 626-4111 or at psabbath@gmail.com



THE WIDOW(ER) SUPPORT GROUP will be meeting on **Monday, Oct. 2** (the first Monday of every month, except holidays) at 9:30 am at St. Edmund of Canterbury Parish in the Fr. McEntee Room. It takes place after the 9:00 am parish Mass. All are welcome. For more information, please contact Anne Parsons at 514-457-2183.

BECKET PANTRY NEEDS: coffee, tomato paste, tomato juice, jello pudding, fruit, salmon, small bags of rice, crackers, toothpaste, bars of soap, shampoo. Thank you for your generous support.

APPLEFEST FUNDRAISER Sunday, October 8 after both Masses. Volunteers needed to manage the tables. Donations of any homemade baking: pies, cakes, squares, cookies, jellies, jams, - apple or otherwise, are greatly appreciated. Donations can be dropped off in the before Mass on October 7 and 8. All proceeds go to the parish. Contact Anna Donald 514-620-2258.

LIFE CHAIN 2017: A peaceful demonstration to reaffirm the sanctity of human life from conception to natural death. **Sunday October 1, 2:00 – 3:00 pm** Decarie boul. south of Jean Talon, near Namur. Info 514-344-2686

USED EYE GLASSES COLLECTION: Costco optical department will accept used eye glasses for third world countries. We are placing a basket in the narthex (near the pantry donation box) to help this cause.

TUESDAY MORNING MEET AND GREET POSTPONED to October 10.