# Twenty-First and Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 21 & 28 2022



# MASS INTENTIONS: AUGUST 20 TO SEPTEMBER 4

(L) indicates a living intention

Saturday	August 20	
4:30 pm	Our Parishioners	
Sunday	August 21	
9:00 am	Joseph Morielli	The Family
11:00 am	Yvonne Gonsalves	The Silas Family
Monday	August 22	
8:30 am	John Hardy	Florence Holt
Tuesday	August 23	_
8:30 am	Carol Marolly	Ron & Joy Pinto
Wednesday	August 24	
8:30 am	Sr. Clare Desnoyer	Juliana Kong-Ire
Thursday	August 25	_
8:30 am	Deceased Members of the Perry Family	Monique Perry
Friday	August 26	
8:30 am	Joseph Christie	Betty & Andy Quinn
Saturday	August 27	
4:30 pm	Lucille Lakhan	Marjorie & Raymond
Sunday	August 28	
9:00 am	Freda Witalis	Denise Imperiale
11:00 am	Our Parishioners	
Monday	August 29	
8:30 am	Sr. Jeanine Begin	Juliana Kong-Ire
Tuesday	August 30	
8:30 am	Sheelamma Joseph	Joshy Joseph
Wednesday	August 31	
8:30 am	Elaine Leclerc	Julia Principe
Thursday	September 1	
8:30 am	Albanese Family	
Friday	September 2	
8:30 am	Merwyn DeSousa	The Family
Saturday	September 3	
4:30 pm	Sona Gosein	Marjorie & Raymond
Sunday	September 4	
9:00 am	Our Parishioners	
11:00 am	Sylvia Spencer	Dina & Remi

#### **SANCTUARY LAMP** (Week)

**August 21:** Peter & Marilyn Silas (L), requested by the Silas family **August 28:** Murielle Fyfe (L), requested by Louise & Don Casey **September 4:** Guillermo Soriano, requested by Gemma Soriano

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

Dora Pandolfo Di Gioacchino, sister of Rosa Raschella, aunt of Elsa Rivera. Helen Patricio, sister of Tessie Demers.

Blessed are those who have died in the Lord; let them rest from their labours for their good deeds go with them. Eternal Rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

# THINKING OF BECOMING CATHOLIC? NEVER CONFIRMED?



The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults ("RCIA") will begin October 19 and then weekly until Easter. 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 Baptized or Confirmed. Join Fr. Peter Sabbath and the 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

**FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION:** September 2 is the First Friday of the month. After Mass, you are invited to join us for an hour between 10:00 a.m. and 3 pm for exposition and adoration of the Holy Eucharist. Please sign up in the book at the back of the church.

**FAITH FIRST:** Registration for our Faith First program at St. Thomas a Becket is ongoing. We offer a hybrid approach to Faith Education for your child in preparation to celebrate the Sacraments. For more information, please visit the website at <a href="www.becket.ca">www.becket.ca</a>. The Faith First tab is on the left and registration news is in News and Events.

#### THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS

**June 19:** Offerings: \$ 4,381.05 Papal Charities: \$1,110.00 **June 26:** Offerings: \$ 5,547.45 Building Fund: \$1,200.00

**July 3:** Offerings: \$4,754.55

**July 10:** Offerings: \$4,644.25 Religious Education: \$1,495.00

**July 17:** Offerings: \$4,689.65

**July 24:** Offerings: \$4,507.75 Building Fund: \$1,530.00

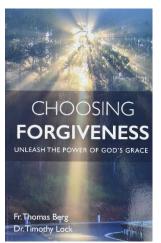
**July 31:** Offerings: \$4,739.00

**Aug 7:** Offerings: \$4,635.10

**Aug 14:** Offerings: \$4,760.25 Religious Education: \$1,085.00

Upcoming special collections - Aug 28: Building Maintenance Fund

Sept 11: Helping Others



#### WORTHWHILE READING

Choosing Forgiveness: Unleash the Power of God's Grace by Fr. Thomas Berg and Timothy Lock

To say that offering forgiveness is a challenge is an understatement. Forgiveness is tough! Forgiveness is often messy. Forgiveness doesn't feel good to most of us. And when it comes to the biggest, deepest hurts in life, forgiveness can seem impossible. Some hurts are the everyday, garden-variety irritations we endure for having to live in the company of other human beings who lose their tempers, get up on the wrong side of the bed, say nasty things, are ungrateful, selfish, and irritable. Some hurts are of a magnitude that far transcend these --degradation, exploitation, abandonment, rejection, humiliation, racism, bullying, physical, sexual, or emotional abuse. But with God's grace, even in those most

difficult cases, forgiveness is possible. In *Choosing Forgiveness*, Fr. Thomas Berg and Dr. Timothy G. Lock are your guides on the way toward forgiveness through the grace of God. This book will help you discover the pathway to healing, peace, and interior freedom, releasing you and those who have wronged you from the bondage of unforgiveness.

#### WORDS OF WISDOM



From a homily of Pope Francis at the Tenth World Meeting of Families in Rome, June 2022.

"Freedom is one of the most cherished ideals and goals of the people of our time. Yet, how many people lack the greatest freedom of all, which is interior freedom? All of us are born with many forms of interior and exterior conditioning, and especially with a tendency to selfishness.

to making ourselves the centre of everything and being concerned only with our own interests. This is the slavery from which Christ has set us free.

All of you married couples, in building your family, made, with the help of Christ's grace, a courageous decision: not to use freedom for yourselves, but to love the persons that God has put at your side. Instead of living like little islands, you became 'slaves of one another'. That is how freedom is exercised in the family. There are no 'planets' or 'satellites', each travelling in its own orbit. The family is the first place where we learn to love. . . We also know full well that it is not always the case, for any number of reasons and a variety of situations. . . . Let us not allow the family to be poisoned by the toxins of selfishness, individualism, today's culture of indifference and culture of waste, and as a result lose its very DNA, which is the spirit of acceptance and service.

Parents fear that children will not be able to find their way amid the complexity and confusion of our societies, where everything seems chaotic and precarious. This fear makes some parents anxious and others overprotective. At times, it even ends up thwarting the desire to bring new lives into the world. . . . How important it is for parents to reflect on God's way of acting! God loves young people, but that does not mean that he preserves them from all risk, from every challenge and from all suffering. God is not anxious and overprotective... On the contrary, he trusts young people and he calls each of them to scale the heights of life and of mission. . . . We should not shield our children from the slightest hardship and suffering, but try to communicate to them a passion for life, to arouse in them the desire to discover their vocation and embrace the great mission that God has in mind for them . . . where they will find the strength they need to confront and overcome the difficulties of life."

# **PARISH INFORMATION**

All telephone numbers are in the 514 area-code unless otherwise indicated.

# **PARISH WARDENS**

Janet Arts (2024)	620-6643	Cindy Finn	(2024)	624-0546
Peter Cook (2022)	620-2019	Michelle Figuered	o (2023)	694-8879
Norman Cousineau (20)	23) 624-8753	Michael Sciotto	(2022)	626-9550

# LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Altar Guild:	Anna Donald	620-2258
Altar Servers:	Fr. Peter Sabbath	626-4111
Baptism Preparation Team:	Parish Office	626-4111
Choir Director	Brendan Kelly	944-7220
Eucharistic Ministry Coordinator:	Rosemarie Della Rocca	620-1930
Greeters:	Norma Cook	620-2019
Head Sacristan:	Anna Donald	620-2258
Lectors:	Tobias Koikaran	693-5514
Liturgy Team:	Rosemarie Della Rocca	620-1930
Ushers:	Joe Ojeda	941-7914

# **PARISH ORGANIZATIONS**

Adult Faith Formation	Elsa Rivera	626-4111
Angels of Mercy	Sarah Sajedi	827-6408
Catholic Women's League:	Yasmin Ramsammy	463-1146
Community Aid	Parish Office	626-4111
Couples for Christ:	Don & Irene Salvanera	620-1319
Helping Others:	Parish Office	626-4111
Knights of Columbus:	Norm Cousineau	624-8753
Marriage Course:	John & Nathalie Bondyra	695-7896
Pastoral Home Care:	Ailsa Lee Loy	626-7265
Prayer Line:	Christine Charron	694-3958
Responsible Pastoral Ministry:	Rina Callard	626-4111
Social Club:	Rina Callard	695-6995

# **RESOURCES AND SERVICES**

A.A.	376-9230
Al-Anon (Families of Alcoholics)	866-9803
Archdiocese, Marriage Tribunal, English Pastoral Services	931-7311
Diocesan Ombudsman – abuse/complaints	752-4683
Episcopal Vicar - Fr. Raymond Lafontaine	931-7311
Quebec Life Coalition: Pregnant? Worried?	344-2686
Spiritual Support Line	1-888-305-0994
Violence S.O.S. Hotline	1-800-363-9010
West Island Women's Shelter	620-4845

Anointing of the Sick: upon request at the parish office

Baptism: Please contact the office Benediction: Fridays after morning Mass

Eucharistic Exposition & Adoration: First Friday of the month

Marriage: Please contact the office well in advance.

R.C.I.A.: Fr. Peter Sabbath

Sacrament of Reconciliation: (Confession) before all Masses or by request. Vocations: Please contact Fr. Robert Clark at 903-6200 or one of our priests