

Twenty-eighth & Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 13 & October 20, 2024



MASS INTENTIONS - OCTOBER 12 TO OCTOBER 27

(L) indicates a living intention

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| Saturday | October 12 | | |
| 4:30 pm | Joseph, Edwina, Mark & Lisa Dias | | Family |
| Sunday | October 13 | Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time | |
| 9:00 am | Our Parishioners | | |
| 11:00 am | Oreste Pulice and Rina Reda | | Ralph Pulice and Family |
| Monday | October 14 | | |
| 8:30 am | Anna Donald (L) | | Maria G. Cabral |
| Tuesday | October 15 | | |
| 8:30 am | Bernie, Lois and Ed Lavigne | | Maria and Rico Purisima |
| Wednesday | October 16 | | |
| 8:30 am | Mark Julius Coelho | | Coelho Family |
| Thursday | October 17 | | |
| 8:30 am | Armando Campanella | | Palmina Colacci |
| Friday | October 18 | | |
| 8:30 am | Adele Philip | | Lise Emsley |
| Saturday | October 19 | | |
| 4:30 pm | Agnes and Peter Holloran | | Marie |
| Sunday | October 20 | Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time | |
| 9:00 am | Flora Marcik | | Emil Marcik |
| 11:00 am | Our Parishioners | | |
| Monday | October 21 | | |
| 8:30 am | Armando Campanella | | Palmina Colacci |
| Tuesday | October 22 | | |
| 8:30 am | Sal & Rosalie Mennillo | | Rosemarie Della Rocca |
| Wednesday | October 23 | | |
| 8:30 am | Pierre Charron | | Norma and Peter Cook |
| Thursday | October 24 | | |
| 8:30 am | Wendy Linton | | D' Lima Family |
| Friday | October 25 | | |
| 8:30 am | Margarita Ramos | | Hector Andreu |
| Saturday | October 26 | | |
| 4:30 pm | Patrick O'Grady | | Walter & Linda O'Grady |
| Sunday | October 27 | Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time | |
| 9:00 am | Our Parishioners | | |
| 11:00 am | Antonio Anoaia | | Teresa Anoaia |

SANCTUARY LAMP

September 29: Robert Finn, requested by Cindy Finn

October 6: Frederick and Barbara Kray, requested by Helen & Manfred Adam

October 13: Joseph, Edwina, Mark & Lisa Dias, requested by the family

LORD, GRANT MERCY AND LASTING PEACE to those who died recently:

Arliss Ward, father of Sandra Davis, grandfather of Amanda and Jeremy.

Reno Alfonso, husband of the late May, father of Brenda, Kim, Wayne and Robert.

Joseph Mulgrew, brother of Betty Quinn

Michael Meehan, uncle of Janet Arts

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 they rest in peace. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS

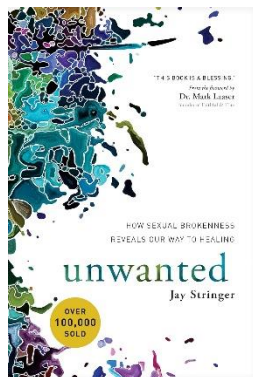
Sept. 29: Offerings: \$5,545.00* Needs of the Church in Canada: \$1,370.00*

Oct. 6: Offerings: \$4,619.00*

Upcoming special collections: October 27 - Building Maintenance Fund
November 10 – Helping Others

*Does not include contributions made on Canada Helps

Unwanted: How Sexual Brokenness Reveals Our Way to Healing by Jay Stringer



Many people feel ashamed and undesirable after years of sexual brokenness and addiction. The guilt and stigma surrounding sexual struggles can paralyze us and keep us from seeking help and healing. Author Jay Stringer approaches these sensitive subjects with gentleness and understanding as he shows the way to restoration. Based on original research from over 3,800 men and women, *Unwanted* is a groundbreaking resource that explores the “why” behind self-destructive sexual choices to help readers work towards freedom. Addressing difficult issues with compassionate insight, this book discusses:

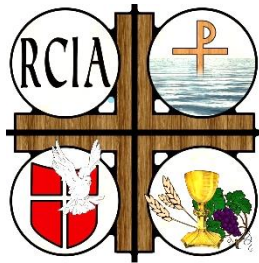
- Abandonment and broken relationships
- Trauma and sexual abuse
- The sex industry and pornography
- Violence against women
- Learning to love and care for yourself
- Healthy conflict and repair in your relationships
- Investing in community
- Creating healthy boundaries

A perfect resource for those seeking self-help or those working to minister to the sexually broken people around them, *Unwanted* offers life-changing, practical guidance rooted in clinical evidence and a Christian perspective to light the way on a path to wholeness.

Jay Stringer is a therapist, minister, and researcher who guides people to freedom from unwanted sexual behavior (the use of pornography, infidelity, buying sex) by helping them to understand the unique reasons that bring them to it in the first place.

BEREAVEMENT GROUP: The Bereavement Group meets at 7:00 pm on Tuesday, October 15, in the parish hall. All those who have experienced the loss of a loved one are welcome to attend the meeting, led by trained animator Bill Curran.

THINKING OF BECOMING CATHOLIC? NEVER CONFIRMED?



The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (“RCIA”) will begin October 15 and run weekly until Easter. Learn what we believe as Catholics and why. RCIA is 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



FAMILY CONFERENCE 2024

Come join our "Power Up!" Family Conference presented by Couples for Christ here at St. Thomas à Becket on November 2, 8:00am - 5:30pm. Inquire about registration by e-mailing Angelo and Jennifer at cfckidsforchristmontreal@gmail.com.

BAKED GOODS NEEDED We invite the talented bakers in our parish to donate baked goods for our annual Arts & Crafts Fair being held on October 26 & 27. Please bring your donations to the church on Friday, October 25 between 9am and 3pm. We will also accept donations on Saturday. This is the main fundraiser for the Catholic Women’s League benefitting various charities and the parish. Marie Meier at (514) 965-9919.



THINGS YOU WON'T SEE AT A CATHOLIC WEDDING



Few events in life are as steeped in tradition as weddings. Those traditions come to us through our families, friends, culture, and religious traditions. But they are not always the Catholic way of celebrating weddings. For example, in some traditions, the presiding minister may ask, “Who gives this woman to be married?” And the father of the bride responds that he, or he and his wife, do. At Catholic weddings, the bride—and the groom for that matter—give themselves to each other. If you’ve ever seen a wedding on a television series, you’re probably familiar with the dramatic possibilities that arise when the minister asks, “If anyone knows any reason why these two should not be wed, let him speak now, or forever hold his peace.” Well, we Catholics don’t do that. In many places [including Quebec], notices of up-coming weddings are published [“banns”], allowing anyone with objections to come forward before we get to the altar. Another touching moment in most TV weddings is the phrase, “With this ring, I thee wed.” For us Catholics, the moment of the marriage is the exchange of consent, and the speaking of the vows. The ring is a symbol of the union that has already taken place. We bless wedding rings, and they are exchanged with the phrase, “Take this ring as a sign of my love and fidelity, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.” Another thing we don’t say at Catholic weddings is “I now pronounce you man and wife.” We believe that the couple becomes husband and wife not because the minister declares them so, but because they have given their consent and made their vows to each other. The function of the priest or deacon is to officially witness these vows on behalf of the Church, and to bless the couple, but not to make the marriage happen.

Rev. Lawrence Rice, CSP

(Learn more about Catholic marriage at foryourmarriage.org)

PARISH INFORMATION

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

PARISH WARDENS

The Fabrique of the parish administers all parish properties and assets, and consists of the Pastor and six wardens elected by parishioners at an Annual General Meeting.

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| Janet Arts (2024) | 620-6643 | Cindy Finn (2024) | 624-0546 |
| Frank Vissani (2025) | 998-0311 | Robert Boulé (2026) | (438) 838-1902 |
| Eric Chevrier (2026) | 246-8525 | Michael Randall (2025) | 980-5015 |

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

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| 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 |
| 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

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| Adult Faith Formation | Elsa Rivera | 626-4111 |
| Angels of Mercy | Sarah Sajedi | 827-6408 |
| Catholic Women's League | Marie Meier | 965-9919 |
| 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 |
| Legion of Mary | Juliana Abu | 585-9206 |
| 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 |
| Youth Ministry | Amanda Davis | 626-4111 |

RESOURCES AND SERVICES

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| 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

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. Gerry Westphal at 514-688-4952 or one of our priests

HALL RENTAL: Michael Randall 514-980-5015