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Saint 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 Divine Power of God -
cast into hell, Satan and all the evil spirits,
who prowl throughout the world seeking the ruin of souls.
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October Holy Rosary Month Mission Awareness Month

"The Rosary is a long chain that links heaven and earth. As long as people pray it, God cannot abandon the world..."
-St. Therese, Patroness of the Mission

"The Rosary is a school of prayer, the Rosary is a school of faith!"
-Pope Francis

WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES, September 24

"Free to choose to migrate or stay" is the theme chosen by the holy Father for the 109th WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES. In his message, Pope Francis proposes a renewed reflection on a right that has not yet been codified at the international level: the right not to have to migrate or, in other words, the right to be able to remain in one's own land.

Pope Francis in his message reminds us – just as the HOLY FAMILY had to flee their homeland and become refugees, millions of people must still do the same today. Pope Francis wants to assure that migrants' decision to flee is rooted in freedom rather than coercion.

THE NATIONAL TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION DAY- September 30th

We are called to continue to pray for healing with our Indigenous brothers and sisters. We will pray the following petition at Mass but I invite you to pray the same in your daily prayer.

We pray for all children who suffered and those who died because of residential schools. May our Lord grant comfort and peace to the Indigenous Peoples in Canada who mourn, and may we, as a Church, continue to work at truth and reconciliation.

THE GIFT OF LIFE

Pope Francis reminds us again of the words of St. John Paul : I reiterate with renewed conviction the appeal he made – *Respect, defend, love, and serve life, every human life! It is only on this path that you will find justice, development, freedom, peace and happiness!*

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Office Hours: Wednesday 8:30AM—4:30PM

Holy Mass Schedule:
The Day of the Lord begins Saturday: Vigil 4:00PM
Sunday: 9:00AM
Weekdays: 8:00AM or as announced

Sacrament of Penance (Confession)
Saturday: 3:00-3:45PM
Sunday: 7:30-8:30AM
By appointment

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick:
Please contact the parish priest during serious illness or before surgery.

Sacrament of Baptism:
By appointment. "Parents are obliged to see that their infants are baptized within the first few weeks of life." (C.867.1)


Sacrament of Marriage:
Please contact the parish priest as soon as possible. Pre-marriage classes are mandatory.

Catholic Women's League:
President: Mary Nan—905-834-9520

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NOVENA TO SAINT THERESE
The Novena to St. Therese of Lisieux will begin on Saturday, September 23 ending on October 1st, the Feast day of our Parish.



TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

September 24, 2023– Year A

Mass Schedule & Intentions: Sept 23—29

Saturday 8:00AM 4:00PM	Sep 23rd—Saint Pius of Pietrelcina † Nunzio DiMatteo (wife Lidia) Vigil of Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Missa pro populo
Sunday 9:00AM	Sep 24th—Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time † Steve Czinege (Margaret & George)
Monday	Sep 25th—Saint Cosmas and Damian
Tuesday	Sep 26th—St. Jean De Brebeuf & St. Isaac Jogues God's blessing on the 25th Wedding anniversary of Ray and Annette Cote (Annette)
Wednesday 8:00AM	Sep 27th— Saint Vincent de Paul † Margaret Schertzing (Mary Nan)
Thursday 8:00AM	Sep 28th— Saint Lawrence Ruiz & Comp. † Brian Daniel LaFreniere (Annette Azzopardi)
Friday 8:00AM	Sep 29th—St. Michael, St. Gabriel & St. Raphael † Patrizio Mattiazzo (Aldo Bonomi)

St. Augustine's PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

Breather in me, O Holy Spirit, that my thoughts may all be holy.
Act in me, O Holy Spirit, that my work, too may be holy.
Draw my heart, O Holy Spirit, that I love but what is holy.
Strengthen me, O Holy Spirit to defend all that is holy.
Guard me, then, O Holy Spirit, that I always may be holy.

FEAST OF SAINT MICHAEL, SAINT GABRIEL AND SAINT RAPHAEL

On September 29th we celebrate this feast named in honour of the three archangels who stand before the God and are honoured and venerated in both Jewish and Christian traditions.

They are considered messengers, intermediaries from God and are ways that God has dramatically intervened in human life.

Michael (WHO IS LIKE THE LORD), is considered the protector of Israel and the Church. Interesting, St. Michael is the patron saint of police officers.

Gabriel (God is Mighty) foretold the coming of the Messiah to the prophet Daniel. He appears again to Zechariah and of course spoke to the Blessed Virgin Mary with these words – *you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus.* Gabriel is patron saint of broadcasting and telecommunications.

Raphael (God Heals) is one of the archangels who bring prayers before God. Raphael is patron saint of the blind as well as nurses and doctors.

BLESS THE LORD ALL YOU HIS ANGELS, MIGHTY IN POWER, FULFILLING HIS WORD, AND HEARING HIS VOICE.

Thank You Father John

On behalf of our parish we express our sincere thanks to Father John for serving our parish these last few months. All the very best Father. Hope to see you again God Bless and keep you safe.

Mass Intentions from Tuesday –Saturday morning October 1-21, 2023

As indicated Father John will celebrate the Mass intentions listed in the bulletin for the next three weeks in private. So there will be no weekday masses in the church from Oct 2 to 21, 2023

New Pastor Appointed

Rev. Daniele Bertoldi, CFIC has been appointed as Pastor of St. Therese of Lisieux Parish in Port Colborne. He will take over pastoral responsibility of the parish on the weekend of October 21st/22nd.

Rev. John Vickers' last weekend at the parish will be September 30th/October 1st.

Priests of the Congregation of the Precious Blood, namely Rev. Phil Smith, CPPS and Rev. Josephat Msuya, CPPS, will celebrate masses at St. Therese of Lisieux for the weekends of October 7th/8th and 14th/15th.

Until Rev. Bertoldi is present at the parish, Rev. Paul MacNeil, VF, Pastor of St. Alexander Parish, Fonthill will cover the pastor's shifts for the Port Colborne Hospital on-call schedule and will arrange for coverage for any parishioner funeral services.

Saint Therese of Lisieux - Feast Day is October 1st.

She is a much loved Saint of the Church and is often called the "Little Flower". She entered the cloistered Carmelite community at age 15. She obtained special permission to do this as the Sisters did not ordinarily accept women of this age. The routine of cloistered convent life became her vehicle of holiness. When she entered the Carmel of Lisieux she took as her motto, "Love is repaid by love alone." She became very ill with tuberculosis and offered her suffering for the missions. After only ten years as a Carmelite, she died in 1897 at the age of 24. Therese had a gift for writing and after her death the sisters published her spiritual autobiography called THE STORY OF A SOUL. In it this work she pioneered her ideal of the 'little way' – fidelity in the small things, trust and complete self-surrender to God. Despite her hidden life, devotion to her spread like wildfire. 1925 she was canonized and in 1997 she was declared Doctor of the Church. The Little Flower is patron of the missions.

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

October 1, 2023 – Year A

Mass Schedule & Intentions: Sep 30 –Oct 8

Saturday 8:00AM	Sep 30th—Saint Jerome God's blessing for Ray Cote on 65th birthday (Annette)
4:00PM	Vigil of Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Missa pro populo
Sunday 9:00AM	Oct 1st—Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time † Wladyslaw, Emilia & Leszek Rajda (Danuta M)
Monday	Oct 2nd— The Holy Guardian Angels
Tuesday Fr. John	Oct 3rd— Ferial † Steve Czinege (Margaret & George)
Wednesday Fr. John	Oct 4th— Saint Francis of Assisi † Steve Czinege (Mary Nan)
Thursday Fr. John	Oct 5th— Saint Faustina Kowalska † Steve Czinege (Lynn & Pat Dyson)
Friday Fr. John	Oct 6th— Blessed Marie-Rose Durocher † Steve Czinege (Irene Sinko)
Saturday Fr. John 4:00PM	Oct 7—Our Lady of the Rosary † Fr. Bruno Bonomi (Aldo Bonomi) Vigil of Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time † George Stepanchuk (family)
Sunday 9:00AM	Oct 8th—Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Missa pro populo

REFLECTION ON SUNDAY'S GOSPEL

'As high as the heavens are above the earth, so high are my ways above your ways, my thoughts above your thoughts, says the Lord. Lord, open our minds and enlarge our hearts, so that we think more like you, and act more like you. Let us not begrudge your goodness to others, knowing that we too are undeserving of your favors, and stand more in need of your mercy than of your justice.'

LIFE CHAIN 2023

Join thousands across Canada on October 1, 2023 in prayerful witness to the sanctity of human life. This is a family-friendly event providing a unique opportunity to witness to our neighbors a much-needed message of love, hope and truth. Contact – Muriel Dyson at 905.735.3666 for the Life Chain taking place in Welland on Niagara Street at the Seaway Mall at 2:00 pm or Angela Braun at 905.931.0363 for information at Life Chain taking place at Lundy's Lane in Niagara Falls.

EVENTS IN OUR PARISH

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October—Month of the Holy Rosary

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Thank you for your attention to this matter.

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS – Hosted by the CWL

Come join us on Sunday October 1st for a coffee social following the 9:00AM Mass in the parish hall. Enjoy a nice cup of coffee, tea and some sweets and visit with your fellow parishioners.

We would like to know how many parishioners would be interested in attending a **PARISH ADVENT RETREAT**. This retreat would be open to both men and women. It would be approximately 3 hours long. Please indicate what your time preference would be on the survey form. The choices are: from 9AM to 12PM, 1:00PM to 4:00PM, 6:00 PM to 9:00PM or 7:00PM to 10:00PM.

The CWL Diocesan Advent Retreat will be held at Mount Carmel on Saturday, November 11 or Thursday, November 16. Further information is forthcoming.

The next CWL meeting will be on Tuesday, October 3rd at 1:00 p.m.



Office during October 1-21, 2023

The office will be open on Wednesdays from 8:30-4:30.