

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 21, 2025 — Year C



Sat. Sept. 20	8:00AM †George & Onelda Basque 4:00PM †Caterina Buri by Carmen Burie
Sun. Sept 21	9:00AM For the People
Mon. Sept. 22	8:00AM †Joanne Van Santvoort by Pat & Lynn Dyson
Tue. Sept. 23	6:30PM †George & Onelda Basque
Wed Sept. 24	8:00AM †George & Onelda Basque
Thu. Sept. 25	No Scheduled Mass
Fri. Sept. 26	No Scheduled Mass
Sat. Sept. 27	No Scheduled Mass
	4:00PM For the People
Sun. Sept 28	9:00AM †Eve Abele by Theresa Azzopardi

FATHER BASQUE AWAY

Fr. Basque will be away from the Parish participating in a World-Wide Marriage Encounter Weekend in Amherst, Nova Scotia from Wednesday, September 24 until Tuesday, September 30. Mass will be celebrated on Wednesday, September 24 at 8:00 AM and Tuesday, September 30 at 6:30 PM as well as Saturday, September 27 at 4:00 PM and Sunday, September 28 at 9:00AM. There will be no Mass on Thursday, September 25; Friday, September 26; Saturday, September 27 at 8:00 AM; and Monday, September 29.

LIFE CHAIN

The Annual Life Chain, a silent witness to the sanctity of life, will be held along Niagara Street between Woodlawn Road and Lancaster Drive, Welland on Sunday, October 5 from 2:30 until 3:30 PM. Please consider spending one hour participating in this important Pro-Life event. Everyone is welcome.

TURKEY PIE SALE

Knightsof Columbus Council #3732 is having a Turkey Pie Sale. Orders are now being taken. Cost is \$9 each. To order a pie call Dan Quinn at 905-835-6594 before October 14. Orders can be picked up at St. Therese Hall on October 18. You will nee notified of a time.

RETRouvaille

Retrouvaille is a Catholic program designed to support Marriages in crisis and help couples repair the difficulties in their relationship. The next experience will take place in Hamilton on the weekend of October 17-19. For more information call 905-664-5212 or email 1013r@ helpour-marriage.org.

DIVORCED AND SEPARATED MINISTRY

The Diocesan Divorced and Separated Ministry Group meets at Mount Carmel Spiritual Center (7020 Stanley Ave., Niagara Falls) on the First and Third Mondays of the month (except on public holidays) from 7:00-9:00 PM. On September 22, they will explore the topic “Coping with Stress. On October 14, they will examine the topic “Loneliness”. For more information call 905-356-4113 or 905-684-0154 or email separated and divorced@saintcd.com.

CATHOLICISM: St. Elizabeth’s Patrish (31928 Hwy. #3, Wainfleet) is presenting an Adult Faith Formation Series based on Bishop Robert Barron’s Videos “Catholicism: The Pivotal Prayers” in the Church on Sunday afternoons at 2:00 PM from September 28 until November 30 and repeat sessions on Tuesdays at 7:00 PM from September 30 until December 2.

NEEDS OF THE CHURCH IN CANADA

Next weekend (September 27-28) a special collection will be taken up to provide financial support for the Needs of the Canadian Church. The funds raised help Diocese contribute to the Canadian Conference of Bishops. Founded more than 75 years ago, the CCCB is the Assembly of all Bishops in Canada, including those of the Eastern Churches. The CCCB works in close partnership with other Episcopal Conferences, in particular those in the Americas. Through the work of its Commissions and Committees it is involved in the issues that effect the life of the Church today and shape our society such as Social Justice, Ecumenism, Interfaith Dialogue, Youth Engagement, Family and Life, Responsible Ministry, Evangelization and Catechesis.

RCIA/C

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults/Children is a program designed to enable non-Catholics to become full members of the Church, for Catholics to complete receiving the Sacraments of Initiation (First Eucharist and Confirmation) and for others to simply learn more about their faith. During the weekly sessions, participants learn about the Catholic faith in a respectful manner through a sharing of experiences and formal presentations. Sessions start in late September and conclude in May. If you or anyone you know might be interested in being part of this program talk to Fr. Basque or call the Parish Office at 905-834-4645.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY

The Diocesan Convention of the Holy Name Society will be held at Our Lady of the Scapular Parish Hall (6557 Thorold Stone Road, Niagara Falls) on Saturday, October 25 starting at 2:00 pm. Tickets are \$45 (which includes the Dinner) and are on sale until Friday October 17. For information call Garret Smits at 905-938-3220. All men are welcome to attend the Convention.

SEMINARS/RETREATS

Mount Carmel Spiritual Center (7020 Stanley Ave., Niagara Falls) is offering the following Seminars and Retreats over the coming weeks: “The Healing Power of Forgiveness” on Saturday, October 4 from 9:30 AM until 3:30 PM; and “A Day of Reflection and Thanksgiving” on Saturday, October 4 from 9:30 AM until 4:00 PM. For more information about these programs call 905-356-4113.

FOOD DRIVE

St. Therese of Lisieux Parish is holding a Thanksgiving Food Drive to assist those in our community facing food insecurity. Donations will be accepted until Thursday, October 9 when they will be forwarded to Port Cares for distribution to the needy. Consider buying a few non-perishable food items (pasta, pasta sauce, cereal, soup etc.) or toiletries (soap, shampoo, toothpaste) whenever you pick up your groceries before October 9 and placing them in the bin in the foyer of the Church. Thank-you.

APPLE PIE SALE

St. Therese of Lisieux Parish Catholic Women’s League is having an Apple Pie Sale. Cost is \$ 13 each or 2 for \$25. Pies can be ordered starting this weekend and picked up on the weekend of October 11-12 (Thanksgiving) after the 4:00 PM Mass (Saturday evening) and 9:00 AM Mass (Sunday morning). To order a pie call Mary Nan at 905-834-9520 or Alba Farkas at 905-835-5337.

SCHOOL COUNCIL

The first meeting of the St. Therese of Lisieux School Council will be held at the school (530 Killaly St.) on Tuesday, September 23 starting at 5:00 PM.

ENGAGED ENCOUNTER

Engaged Encounter is a Diocesan approved Marriage Preparation program for engaged couples. The next Engaged Encounter Weekend will take place at Jericho (10845 Rathfon Rd., Port Colborne) on the weekend of October 17-19 starting on Friday at 6:00 PM. For information call Celine de Grosbois at 289-241-4390 and to register go to ceecanada.ca.

FASHION SHOW

St. Therese of Lisieux Parish Catholic Women’s League and 270 Degrees West will be presenting a Fashion Show in the Parish Hall on Sunday, September 28. Doors open at 1:30 PM with the Show starting at 2:00 PM. Tickets are \$15 each and can be purchased at the doors of the Church. For tickets call Mary Nan at 905-834-9520 or Mary Van Ruyven at 905-668-9269.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Adults and youth interested in having Youth Ministry at St. Therese of Lisieux Parish are invited to a meeting to be held in the Parish Hall on Sunday, October 19 from 10:00 until 11:30 AM. For information call Dorothy Murtaugh at

LOW GLUTEN HOSTS: Low Gluten Hosts (the amount of Gluten in them is less than 20 ppm) are available to anyone who suffers from Celiac Disease and requires one to receive the Eucharist. For those whose allergy is extremely serious, one can receive the Consecrated Wine from a separate Chalice to avoid contamination. Please let the Priest know before Mass if a Low Gluten Host or receiving the Consecrated Wine is necessary.

PROPERTY MATTERS: The green fence around the Church is in need of some work. One possibility is to scrape down and repaint it. Another is to take it down and sell it for scrap metal. Both alternatives will require volunteers to do the work. I would like members of the parish to tell me what they think is the best alternative. I want to have the work completed before the end of October. The railing and front step at the entrance to the Rectory Office also requires some attention but it is unlikely we will be able to do anything about it until the spring. I am still working on getting quotes for a new Sound System.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

August 30/31:	Sunday Offering	\$ 1,805.00
	Maintenance	\$ 85.00
September 6/7:	Sunday Offering	\$ 1,669.00
	Maintenance	\$ 521.00
September 13/14	Sunday Offering	\$ 1,160.00
	Maintenance	\$ 30.00