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August 31 22nd Sunday In Ordinary Time

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HOLY MASS SCHEDULE:
THE DAY OF THE LORD BEGINS SATURDAY: VIGIL 4:00PM
SUNDAY: 9:00AM
WEEKDAYS: *** CHANGES IN SCHEDULE ***
MONDAY: 8:00AM
TUESDAY: 6:30PM
WEDNESDAY TO SATURDAY: 8:00 AM

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE (CONFESSION)
CHANGES IN SCHEDULE
SATURDAY: 3:00-3:45PM
OR BY APPOINTMENT

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:
FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH: 8:30—9:30
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Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 7, 2025 — Year C



Sat. Sept 6	8:00AM †George & Onelda Basque 4:00PM †Franco Chiavetti by the Chiavetti family
Sun. Sept 7	9:00AM For the People
Mon. Sept. 8	8:00AM †Souls in Purgatory by Alba Farkas
Tue. Sept. 9	6:30PM †Malvina Betteto by Silvio Betteto
Wed Sept. 10	8:00AM †George & Onelda Basque
Thu. Sept. 11	8:00AM †DiNobile & †Nigro families by Fernanda DiNobile
Fri. Sept. 12	8:00AM †George & Onelda Basque
Sat. Sept. 13	8:00AM †Dean Tedesco by Angie Shaw 4:00PM †Marino, Palmina & Yvette Polverari by Joe
Sun. Sept 14	9:00AM For the People

CONFIRMATION

Bishop Bergie has informed us the Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated at St. Therese of Lisieux Parish on Sunday, April 12 at the 9:00 AM Mass. All Candidates must be a baptized Roman Catholic. Sponsors must be a baptized Roman Catholic who has received First Communion and Confirmation, over sixteen years of age and not a biological or adoptive parent of the Candidate. An information night for parents, Candidates and Sponsors will be held in the Parish Hall on Wednesday, October 8 starting at 6:00 PM. Attendance of at least one parent of each Candidate is mandatory. Children are welcome.

FIRST CONFESSION/COMMUNION

First Confessions will be celebrated at St. Therese of Lisieux Parish on Wednesday, February 25 starting at 6:00 PM. The Mass for First Communicants will be celebrated at St. Therese of Lisieux Parish on Sunday, April 26 at the 9:00 AM Mass. All Candidates must be a baptized Roman Catholic. An information night for parents and Candidates regarding First Confession and First Communion will be held in the Parish Hall on Thursday, October 16 starting at 6:00. Attendance of at least one parent of each Candidate is mandatory. Children are welcome. Reception of First Confession is mandatory in order for a Candidate to receive First Communion.

LAKESHORE MASS

Mass will be celebrated at Lakeshore Catholic High School (150 Janet St.) on Wednesday, September 17 starting at 7:30 AM. All parishioners are welcome to attend this Mass. Mass at St. Therese of Lisieux Parish on that day will be delayed until 8:30 PM.

DIVORCED AND SEPARATED MINISTRY

The Diocesan Divorced and Separated Ministry group holds its meetings at Mount Carmel Spiritual Center (7020 Stanley Ave., Niagara Falls) on the Second and Fourth Mondays (September 8; September 22) of the month (except public holidays) from 7:00-9:00 PM. For more information call 905-356-4113 or 905-684-0154 or email separatedanddivorced@saintcd.com.

SCHOOL MASS

Mass with the school will be celebrated in the gym at St. Therese of Lisieux School (530 Killaly St.) on Thursday, September 11 starting at 11:30 AM. All parishioners are welcome to attend this Mass.

SEMINARS/RETREATS

Mount Carmel Spiritual Center (7020 Stanley Ave., Niagara Falls) is offering the following Seminars and Retreats over the coming weeks: "The Art of Detachment" presented by Anna Racine on Saturday, September 13 from 9:30 AM until 3:30 PM; "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.

CONFESSION

The Sacrament of Confession is celebrated at St. Denis Parish (230 Lake Street, St. Catharines) every Monday through Friday from 8:00 to 9:00 PM. Everyone is welcome.

MASS INTENTIONS

Catholics are invited to have their intentions announced at weekday and Sunday Masses. The offering for announced Mass intentions is \$10. Those requesting a specific date for their intention (to mark a birthday, wedding anniversary or anniversary of death) should contact the office at least two weeks in advance for a weekday Mass or six weeks in advance for a weekend Mass. One intention will be celebrated per Mass.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The next meeting of the Knights of Columbus Council #3732 will be held in the Parish Hall on Thursday, September 11 starting at 7:00 PM.

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.

SHRINE MASS

Mass is celebrated in the Chapel at Holy Rosary Shrine (4706 Millar Rd., Port Colborne) every Thursday at 7:30 PM until the end of October. The Rosary is prayed prior to the Mass starting at 7:00 PM. Everyone is welcome. For more information call Shelley Tamas at 905-714-7677 or visit rosaryshrineinagara.com.

MEET THE TEACHERS

A Meet the Teachers Night will be held at St. Therese of Lisieux School (530 Killaly St.) on Thursday, September 18 starting at 4:30 PM. All parents are encouraged to attend this event.

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.

INDIGENOUS HEALING FUND

Next weekend (September 13-14) a special collection will be taken up to provide financial support for the Indigenous Healing and Reconciliation Fund which was created by the Canadian Catholics Bishops to assist First Nations individuals and communities in recovering from the trauma caused by Residential Schools. Reconciliation between Indigenous peoples and the Catholic Church will be a long and painful process but already some progress has been achieved. Your support will insure this process continues. Please be generous.

COFFEE SUNDAY

Coffee Sunday will take place next Sunday, September 7 in the Parish Hall after the 9:00 AM Mass. Come and join us for coffee, treats and fellowship.

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. Please consider picking up a few non-perishable food items (pasta, pasta sauce, cereal, canned vegetables, 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 (September 6-7) 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.

TURKEY PIE SALE

Knights of Columbus Council #3732 is having a Turkey Pie Sale. Pies can be picked up on October 16-18 (Thursday to Saturday).

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. Refreshments include coffee, tea and cheesecake. For tickets call Mary Nan at 905-834-9520 or Mary Van Ruyven at 905-668-9269.

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.