Bulletin - October 29, 2023

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The love of God and the love of neighbour are like two sides of the same coin.

–Desmond Knowles -

Change of Office Hours:

The Parish Office will be open Tuesday to Friday 8:30 am to 1:30 pm

Changes to sacramental preparation: please see letters at end of bulletin New Catechists:

Baptism – Darren Petras First Communion – Claire Fjarlie Confirmation – Paul Coulter

The Sanctuary Lamp burns to remind us of Christ's presence in the Blessed Sacrament.

This week the Sanctuary Lamp burns

FOR A SPECIAL INTENTION

If you wish to sponsor the sanctuary lamp for one week the stipend is \$10.00

Mass Intentions

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Oct. 29, 2023

Sat. Oct. 28-5:00 pm - for the people

Sun. Oct. 29- 9:30 am – Intentions of Dylan Archibald (the Craig Family)

11:00 am - Polish Mass

Tues. Oct. 31 – 9:00 am – No Intention

Wed. Nov. 1- 9:00 am – No Intention

Thurs. Nov. 2-9:30 am - Holy Name School Mass - at church (everyone welcome!)

Fri. Nov. 3- 9:00 am - No Intention

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time - Nov. 5, 2023

Sat. Nov. 4 - 5:00 pm - Margaret & Lenhardt family (Linda Goldstein)

Sun. Nov. 5- 9:30 am – for the people

11:00 am - Polish Mass

Monthly Meeting for Secular Franciscan Order

First Thursday of the month 7:00 pm; Next meeting November 2) St. John the Apostle Parish Hall (88 Patrick Street, Kingston, ON)

The Secular Franciscan Order (OFS) is a branch of the worldwide Franciscan Family. We are single and married women and men. We work, worship, and play in the community where we live. Everyone is invited to join us to share Franciscan spirituality. Usually, we gather on the first Thursday of the month. For more information, please call JC Trottier at 613-531-2708 or Friar Ed at (613)546-6900 ext. 204.

Harvest Supper (Take-Out) Sunday, November 12; 4:00-6:00 pm

St. John Bosco Parish (175 Windsor Drive, Brockville) St. John Bosco Parish is pleased to announce our Harvest Supper is returning to our parish this year. This year, the Harvest Supper will be take-out ONLY. The dinner menu will be ham, scalloped potatoes, vegetables, salad, a bun, and pie, and the cost will be \$15. Tickets must be purchased in advance and will be sold at the office during the week and after Mass on the weekends.

Spirituality of Advent (Two-Part Series)

Tuesday, November 14 & 21, 2023; 6:30 - 8:30 pm

Francis J. Spence Pastoral Centre (390 Palace Road, Kingston)

Presented by Deacon Bill Gervais. This two-part series on Advent offers a time of reflection and prayer and an invitation to enter more deeply into the spirituality of the Advent Season so that our spirits might encounter more deeply the meaning of God's coming to us in Jesus. The theme will be guided by scripture, church traditions, guided imagery, and traditional forms of prayer suitable for the season.

There is no charge but registration is required. Please register by Friday, November 10 by contacting Gorett at (613)548-4461 ext. 112, or by emailing pastoralservices@archkingston.ca.

Bill Gervais is a diocesan deacon with advanced degrees in spirituality and ministry. He currently serves as a Spiritual Director at Providence Presence Ministry, and authors a monthly religion column in the Kingston Whig-Standard.

The Encounter School of Ministry (Our Lady of Divine Fire Mission) Monday evenings, September 2023 – May 2024; 6:15 - 9:30 pm St. Paul the Apostle Parish (1111 Taylor-Kidd Blvd., Kingston) Like the disciples on the road to Emmaus, be transformed as you walk with Jesus, listen to Scripture and Tradition explained, and discover your true identity as a beloved child of God - empowered to live the Good News and share it with others. Join us Monday evenings, 6:15 - 9:30 pm, from Sep. 11 to May at St. Paul the Apostle Church, 1111 Taylor-Kidd Blvd., Kingston. For more information, visit https://encounterschool.org/kingston/ or contact Miriam at kingston@encounterschool.org.



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The Solemnity of the Transfiguration of the Lord

Dear Families,

Grace and peace to you. How blessed we are by the Holy Spirit!

In St. Matthew's gospel we read the account of Jesus and the Children. The "people brought their little children to him, for him to lay his hands on them and pray." (Matt 19:13) Parents and grandparents alike, brought their little ones to meet Christ and receive his blessing.

Not many years ago, you brought your daughter or son to your parish and requested the Sacrament of Baptism. In the waters of Baptism, they received a second birth as a child of God. The Holy Spirit poured out the saving graces of Our Redeemer. As your child reaches the natural age for the Sacraments of Holy Eucharist, Confirmation and Reconciliation we are charged with the sacred task of preparing their hearts and minds to celebrate the Sacraments with knowledge, understanding and faith.

"The family is a domestic church, that is, a community where faith, hope and love are taught and lived by word and example in union with the larger family of the parish church." Together with the pastor and faith community, parents and families serve as the primary catechist for the immediate preparation of sacraments. Parents have been entrusted by Christ and His Church with the task of teaching their children how to live the Christian life. You are your child's primary educator in matters of faith. The rationale for this policy is outlined in the Sacrament Preparation for School Aged Children: The Role of Families, Parish and Catholic Schools. You will find the full text of the policy on our website: www. https://romancatholic.kingston.on.ca/

The sacraments are both a personal and communal encounter with Christ. The family's active participation in the preparation provides a unique opportunity for parents to engage spiritually with their children. "Daily, you model and witness to the love, mercy, and grace of our God." The schools will continue to teach the religious education curriculum but the catechesis for the sacraments is the privilege and obligation of the faith community particularly parents and guardians.

The local parish, together with the Pastor, will offer their warm welcome, care, and prayerful support and direction for you as a family. The sacraments graft us to Christ and unite us to the faith community and its sacramental life. Weekly participation in the Holy Eucharist, on the Lord's Day, is the best preparation for the sacraments. It is our privilege to accompany you in the preparation of your children for the Sacraments of Initiation. We remind all parents and guardians that you are qualified, able, blessed and called to prepare your son or daughter by your love, faith, sincerity and especially by your God given privilege of having your child entrusted to you by Him.

Prayerful best wishes,

+Michael Mulhall

Archbishop of Kingston

Changes to Sacramental Preparation & Registration at Holy Name of Jesus:

Registration and preparation for all sacraments of initiation (Baptism, First Reconciliation, First Communion and Confirmation) will now be done directly through the church.

Family involvement is key in preparing to receive the sacraments. Parents are the primary catechists and faith witnesses in a child's life. Our parish is here to support you so that your child can experience the sacraments in all their fullness.

Although the Catholic School will still play an essential and supportive role in parental and parish preparation for the sacraments of First reconciliation, First Communion and Confirmation, there will now be preparation classes at the church, led by a catechist appointed by Fr. Wes.: Baptism – Darren Petras, First Communion – Claire Fjarlie, Confirmation – Paul Coulter.

A schedule of classes and further information will be coming soon.

If you have a child in Grade 2 (First Communion) or Grade 8 (Confirmation) who are ready to receive these Sacraments of Initiation please contact Christine at the parish office by December 31st to register for 2024.