



**Is God calling you to be a priest?**  
 "Trust in the Lord with all your heart. . . He will direct your path."  
 (Proverbs 3:5-6)

[www.beapriest.ca](http://www.beapriest.ca)

**Canadian Federal Government website for Mental Health help across Canada:**  
<https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/topics/mental-health-wellness.html>

**Praising God purifies the soul, is like breathing 'pure oxygen', pope says**

Carol Glatz - Jan. 13, 2021  
 CATHOLIC NEWS SERVICE

ROME — It may seem illogical, but Christians are called to give God praise — not complaints — in times of darkness and difficulty, Pope Francis said.

Jesus and the saints “show us that we can always give praise, in good times and bad, because God is the faithful friend — this is the foundation of praise, he is the faithful friend and his love never fails. He is always by our side; he always waits for us,” the pope said Jan. 13 during his weekly general audience.

This is why, he said, “praising God is like breathing in pure oxygen. It purifies the soul, it helps you look at the horizon” and not see oneself as imprisoned or trapped in the current moment.

Livestreamed from the library of the Apostolic Palace, the pope continued his series of talks on prayer, reflecting on the prayer of praise.

He reflected on the time in Jesus’ early ministry when his great works and miracles were still met with unbelief: St. John the Baptist, who had been imprisoned, was unsure whether Jesus was truly the Messiah; some towns remained unrepentant; and the wise and learned had rejected his preaching.

According to St. Matthew, “Jesus does not lift up a lament to the Father, but rather a hymn of jubilation” and praise during this time of crisis and disappointment, he said.

“Why?” the pope asked.

“First and foremost, he praises him for who he is: ‘Father, Lord of heaven and earth.’ Jesus rejoices in his spirit because he knows and he feels that his father is the God of the universe” and he is “my father,” he said.

“Praise springs from this experience of feeling” that he is the son of God and is loved.

Jesus’ prayer and praise should also teach everyone who reads the Gospel “to judge our personal defeats in a different way, the situations in which we do not see clearly the presence and action of God, when it seems that evil prevails and there is no way to stop it,” the pope said.

“Jesus, who recommended the prayer of asking questions so much, at the very moment when he would have had reason to ask the father for explanations, instead begins to praise him,” Pope Francis said. “It seems like a contradiction, but this is where the truth lies.”

Praising God adds nothing to his greatness, he said, rather it allows one to experience the same happiness “of the pure of heart who love God in faith before seeing him in glory.”

**Alzheimer Society of Sault Ste. Marie and Algoma District** would like to thank all who donated to Social With A Purpose 2020! St. Veronica’s raised \$125 towards this great cause! And St. Veronica’s has raised a total of \$1,977.90 in all Coffee Breaks to date! Thank you for your participation in the fight against Alzheimer’s disease! Both your time and support are greatly appreciated!



# ST. VERONICA’S CHURCH

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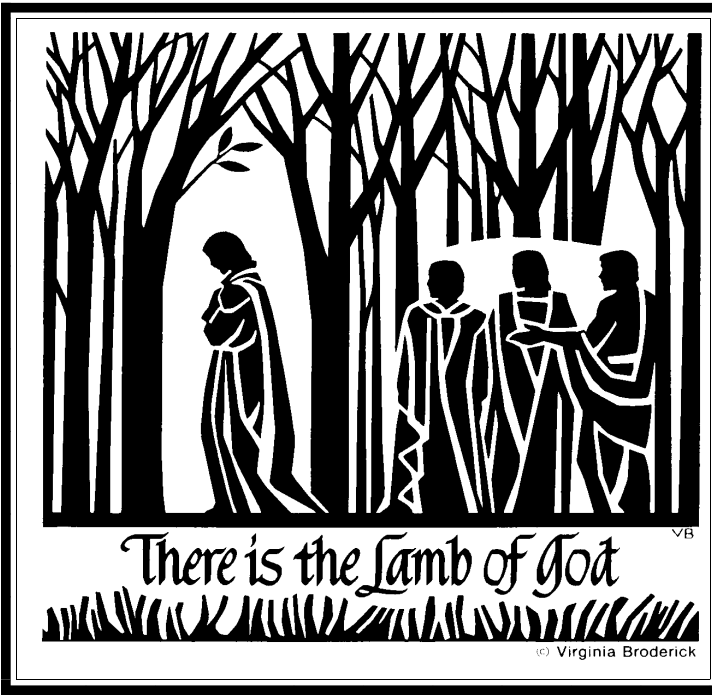
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 John Sullivan

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**SUNDAY JANUARY 17, 2021**  
**SECOND SUNDAY IN**  
**ORDINARY TIME**



“A healthy family life requires frequent use of three phrases: ‘May I? Thank you and I’m sorry’ and never, never, never end the day without making peace.”  
 - Pope Francis

**Reconciliation**  
 By Appointment

**Baptism :**  
 Expectant parents welcome to register, and speak with Fr. Ron after Mass

**Matrimony :**  
 Must register at least eight months in advance. Book the Church before the hall.

**Communion at Home :**  
 Lay ministers are available to bring Communion to shut-ins. Phone the parish office.

**Prayer-Line :**  
 Rose Marie Spina  
 254-4064  
 Angela Filice 253-8607  
 (Italian)

**Visiting & Card Ministry:**  
 If you wish to send cards or have someone visit people who are confined to their homes. Contact the parish office.

**REGULAR CHURCH OFFICE HOURS**  
**CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**

**WEEKLY OFFERINGS**

During this time, we will be collecting donations during Mass or you can please choose to drop off your donation envelopes at our office any time by depositing your envelope in the mail slot of the office door. Thank you to all who give!  
 Website: veronica.church

**MASS AT ST. VERONICA’S CHURCH EVERY SATURDAY AT 4:00 PM and EVERY SUNDAY AT 11:00 AM - Limit of 48 people per Mass on a first come first serve basis.**

**TELEVISED MASS ON SHAW CABLE Channel 10 and on BLUE CURVE 105 Every Sunday at 9:00 AM**

**TELEVISED ONLINE MASS Every Sunday**  
 Website: veronica.church  
 \*check website for time

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**Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Saturday, January 23, 2021**  
**4:00 PM MASS**

**For the intentions of all parishioners of St. Veronica's.**

**Sunday, January 24, 2021**  
**11:00 AM MASS**

**Vincenzo Mannarino by Luisa Mannarino and sons Mario and Amedeo.**  
**For the intentions of all parishioners of St. Veronica's.**

We extend our prayers  
and sympathy to the  
family and friends with  
the passing of,  
Gilda Cucullo



### **FUNDRAISER** **Livestream Equipment**

Our Goal: \$15,000  
Raised to date: \$12,955



### **GREETINGS FROM THE ST. VERONICA'S CWL**

We understand that everything has changed with the COVID outbreak but we have been advised that the CWL Membership for 2021 will virtually carry on.. The membership for 2021 will remain at \$20.00 per year for everyone that wishes to continue their membership. If you wish, we would ask that you put your membership fee in an envelope addressed to the CWL and drop it into the Sunday collection box. If you are able to e-transfer, then please do so. E-transfer 20.00 to [delaney.arlene@gmail.com](mailto:delaney.arlene@gmail.com). No codes required. It is direct deposit.

In any event, Rose Linklater, President, and I, will be calling the members throughout January and February so that they don't lose their yearly membership with the National.

Happy New Year to all of you and we pray that many Blessings be given to you and your families.

**Arlene Delaney, Secretary/Treasurer CWL**



### **PREPARATION FOR THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION**

We hope you can join us for our preparation for the sacrament of Confirmation that will begin in February. Candidates must be in Grade Seven or higher. Due to Covid-19 restrictions we are going to have our meetings on ZOOM this year.

To register and for more information, please go to our website: [www.veronica.church](http://www.veronica.church) and open the Liturgy/Sacrament tab. Your registration and all documentation can be submitted online.

Our deadline for registration is January 24, 2021.



### **PREPARATION FOR FIRST RECONCILIATION & FIRST COMMUNION**

This year we are going to have our meetings in a new way. Due to Covid-19 restrictions we are going to meet on ZOOM. There will be 3 meetings for First Reconciliation and 3 meetings for First Communion. Children must be in Grade 2 or higher. We will begin our meetings on February 10<sup>th</sup>.

To find out more, please go to our website: [veronica.church](http://veronica.church), and click on the Liturgy/Sacraments tab. You will be able to register online and send in all documentation.

The deadline for registration is January 24, 2021.

We look forward to seeing you!

