

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time – August 18, 2019

Saturday, Aug. 17	5:00 pm	St. Carthagh's	Irene LaJoie
Sunday, Aug. 18 (20 th Sunday in Ordinary Time)	9:00 am 11:00 am	St. Edmund's St. Carthagh's	Margaret Kvas Members of the Parish
Monday, Aug. 19	9:00 am	St. Carthagh's	Evelyn LaVallée
Tuesday, Aug. 20	9:00 am	St. Carthagh's	No Intention
Wednesday, Aug. 21	9:00 am	St. Carthagh's	No Intention
Thursday, Aug. 22	6:30 pm	St. Edmund's	No Intention
Friday, Aug. 23 (Third Friday)	9:00 am 3:00 pm	St. Carthagh's	Mass followed by scheduled Eucharistic adoration. Chaplet of Divine Mercy, Sacred Heart Prayers and Benediction.
Saturday, Aug. 24	5:00 pm	St. Carthagh's	Evelyn LaVallée
Sunday, Aug. 25 (21 st Sunday in Ordinary Time)	9:00 am 11:00 am	St. Edmund's St. Carthagh's	Members of the Parish Edwin Champagne

Please Remember in Your Prayers: All those who are sick, including: F. Boomhour, Paul Hulsman, Neive Alderson, Norene Ruffilli, Amanda Lake, Ginger Kehoe, Margaret Dupuis-Ives, Sharon Butler, Leonard Kehoe, Terry Horrigan, Elinor McKenzie, Catherine Liggon, Debbie LaCroix, Presley Noble, Rob Montgomery, Germaine Wannamaker, Margaret-Rose Wood, Jack Tweedy, Janice Tracey, Michelle Fobert, and Joan Cassidy.

Please let us know at the office if you would like to add to or remove a name from the list of the sick.

Offertory Collections:

St. Carthagh's	August 10 & 11	Regular Sunday	\$1,386
St. Edmund's	August 11	Regular Sunday	\$606

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS OFFERING TO OUR CHURCHES

	<u>LECTORS</u>	<u>EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION</u>	<u>CHILDREN'S LITURGY</u>
St. Carthagh's	W = WELCOME		
Saturday, Aug. 24	W – Tara Harrison Natalie Harrison	Sheila Toner, Joan McTaggart, Carol Genereaux	
Sunday, Aug. 25	W – Shirley Kehoe Don Kirkey	Shirley Kehoe, Greg Donohue, Dan Dafoe, Don Kirkey	No Children's Liturgy during July & August
St. Edmund's	<u>LECTORS</u>	<u>USHERS</u>	
Sunday, Aug. 25	Marian Nash Andre Cassidy	Vince Cassidy Jerry Cassidy	

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Bible Study will resume in the Fall.

St. Charles Borromeo, Read - Annual Cemetery Mass will be held on Saturday, **August 24**, 2019 at 10:30 am, with a light lunch following in the parish hall (across from Cemetery at 473 Enright Rd., Read). Everyone Welcome! For more information, please contact the Parish Office at 613-396-2846.

Separated/Divorced/Bereaved? Consider participating in the annual retreat for those experiencing LOSS through separation/divorce or death of a loved one. The 'Grief Journey Retreat: A Safe Caring and Nurturing Time' is designed to provide insight, hope and support as you journey to transform your grief. Facilitator is Anna Racine, from Mount Carmel Spiritual Centre, Niagara Falls. Time and Place is Friday evening/Saturday, **October 25 – 26**, 2019 at Providence Spirituality Centre, 1200 Princess St. Kingston. For further info and/or to register, contact Sr. Lucy Kearney, Family Ministry Office, 613-548-4461 ext.113 or e-mail: family@romancatholic.kingston.on.ca.

Are you a fire extinguisher or a fire starter? Do you strike a match or do you curse the darkness? Our readings this weekend invite us to an honest appraisal of our involvement in the mission of Jesus and therefore the life and mission of our parish community. "I came to bring fire to the earth," declares Jesus. By fire, he refers to the fire of the gospel, the Good News of God's unconditional love and mercy for us.

Fire, we all know, destroys property and life. This is the obvious reason why we install fire extinguishers and have them inspected annually. Further, as soon as there is an outbreak of fire we enlist the help of fire fighters. However, fire also purifies and saves. For instance, fire refines gold, making it pure and precious. As God's beloved Son and Servant, Jesus intends the Gospel to be like a "bush fire" that will spread quickly and extensively, penetrating every human heart, purifying it of all traces of sin and renewing it so that it can love selflessly and perform good deeds. This is a formidable task that requires more hands. This explains why spreading the fire of the gospel is everybody's responsibility and not just that of missionaries, clergy and religious alone. Every baptized Christian has the responsibility, by virtue of his or her baptism to pass on the faith to others by witness and by an authentic practice of the Christian life. Parents especially have the first responsibility to pass on the faith to their children by example and parental guidance. It is important that in our parishes all of us understand and appreciate our mission of carrying on the task of the "bush fire" of Christ so that it can penetrate into every person, family and situation. There may be times when we find the going tough. Yes, it was tough for Jeremiah and many other Christians. It was tough for Jesus himself. That explains why to light this fire of the Gospel he gave up his life on the Cross. We are consequently reminded of the statement of the great St. Augustine: "The Christian is another Christ." We are thus invited to take more seriously our being "another Christ."

Our Proposed Parish Website is gathering momentum. God willing, and thanks to Arthur Allore, we may be able to launch it as early as next month. This is a parish project we all need to be proud of and give it maximum support. We cannot simply underestimate the significance of a website in today's world. This proposed parish website is the frontline for our parishes, our vision and mission, programs, services, in fact, our entire ministry. It is there that visitors will discover who we are, get to know the parish and possibly take delight in us. It is there that new visitors will be introduced to us and where existing members can find the information they need. It is the hub for service times, especially when we have special celebrations and events. While we have working hours, the website will be accessible always to be our spokesperson to any visitor. It is our outreach tool into the deep seas of the modern world. Let us look forward to it and bring our constructive criticism to help it mature and stand the test of time. When it is in place, your suggestions, photos, ideas to enhance its content or style will be appreciated. At the moment, we have a Parish Website Committee whose members are: Arthur Allore (Chairman), Chris Clovis, Marian Nash, Dan Dafoe and Fr. Aidan.

Open House: Printing Room Museum: Thursday, **August 22** from 3 to 7 pm. The Sisters of Providence owned and operated a printing shop from 1898 until 1989. The Printing Room Museum has all the original printing presses and will be closing in September. This is your last chance to see this hidden gem! At 115 Ordnance Street, in the basement of the chapel at Providence Manor. Enter by door off Ordnance Street only. Free. For more information, email archives@providence.ca or call 613-544-4525, ext. 147 or go online to www.providence.ca.

Pilgrimage to mark the 400th Anniversary of the Birth of Saint Marguerite Bourgeoys: **September 24-25**. Shrine of Saint Marguerite Bourgeoys – Historic Farm established by Marguerite Bourgeoys, and to the Shrine of Saint Kateri Tekakwitha. Chaplain: Father John Hibbard. Foley Bus Lines; Accommodation: Holiday Inn. For more information and to register, contact Sheila Alexander at sia412@gmail.com or at 613-962-1623.

A Prayer When Lighting a Candle:

O Blessed Lord, accept this burning candle as a sign of my faith and love for you.

Like this candle, I am ready to be used in your service, without asking why and to what purpose. Even as this candle, I wish to stand in Your Presence to be consumed in the light and warmth of your Love.

Please, hear my prayer, and if it be Your will, grant my petition. Above all, make me loyal and faithful to You in all circumstances of my life. Amen.

(I found this prayer in the votary when I was visiting Martyrs' Shrine in Midland. We will make it available at our devotional lights' stands for those who might find it useful.)