

# Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Times

## October 3rd, 2021

### MASS INTENTIONS



<b>Saturday</b> 5:00 pm	<b>October 2nd</b> Graciomilde Nenezes by Matilda &   Manuel de Sosusa
<b>Tuesday</b> 0:30 am	<b>October 5th</b> Mass at Bridlewood Manor
<b>Sunday</b> 11:00 am	<b>October 10th</b> Graciomilde Menezes by Matilda & Manuel de Sousa

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Remember in your prayers all who are in need of our prayers that God's healing and comforting presence may be with them, especially:



*Mary Dawn Johnston, Andy Quan, Chris McEvoy, Joyce Lefebvre, Deslyn Agard, Jacques & Isobel Arcand, Nicky LeBlanc, Yasmin Shivji, Anna Gaigg, Omar Ladouceur, Peter & Janet Perry, Sylvia LaFrance, Dennis McGrath, Bob Cameron, Patricia & Charles Jelley, Eddy Proulx, Terry Jolicoeur, Joseph Ritchie and Ken Trudel.*

Please contact the parish office to inform us of those who are ill and in need of God's healing and comfort. Renewal of prayers for the sick is available by contacting Pat Gagne (613-523-0769)

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### WEEKLY CHURCH GUIDELINES

Wednesday Mass 9:15 am  
Thursday Mass 6:30 pm  
Friday Mass 9:15 am  
Friday Adoration: 6:30 pm  
Saturday Mass 5:00 pm  
Sunday Mass 9:00 am  
Sunday Mass 11:00 am  
Confessions: call Fr. Eslin at 819-576-6255

Saturday & Sunday Masses can be viewed online through Facebook (saintbernardottawa)

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### Pastor's Message

#### Part of God's compassion

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ Jesus, hope and trust all of you are doing well enjoying the warmth of the end of this season. I'm happy about this possibility of sharing few ideas that come to my mind as an effect of extra reading and reflection on various aspects. One of such reflection is this: - The need of the day is a compassionate attitude toward the self and the other. Compassion is the love that recognizes and goes forth to identify with the preciousness of all that is lost and broken within ourselves and others. At first it seems as if compassionate love originates with our free decision to be as compassionate as we can be toward ourselves as we sit in meditation. As our practice deepens, we come to realize that in choosing to be compassionate, we are yielding to the compassionate nature of God flowing through us, in and as our compassion toward our self as precious in our frailty.

God is revealed in Christ as a compassionate love that recognizes and goes forth to identify with us as precious in our frailty. This is what Jesus reveals to us in the parable of the prodigal son (Luke 15:11-32). The parable reveals God's version of reality. It reveals the way God *always* is toward us, regardless of how foolish and hurtful we may have been.

As we yield to compassion, we are caught in the updraft of grace that carries us aloft. Then, in one single continuous movement of love, compassion draws us downward into the preciousness of all that is lost and broken within ourselves. The deeper the brokenness, the greater the momentum of the descent. The greater the momentum of the descent, the more deeply compassionate love descends into the innermost recesses of our doubts and fears. Suddenly encountering such love, our doubts and fears melt in the love that sets us free.

God bless you all!  
Fr. Eslin Pereira cmf.

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The Catholic Women's League of Canada calls its members to grow in faith, and to witness to the love of God through ministry and service.

*Are you a member? If not, why not?.*

Find out more about us at <https://cwl.ca/to-inspire/>

Join us on the second Thursday of every month in the church. We pray the rosary right after 6:30 pm Mass and then meet for about an hour and a half. See up tjere!

**Seniors Ministry:** The Ottawa Cornwall Catholic Seniors (OCCS) is encouraging seniors in parishes to organise: a monthly Mass for seniors and grandparents followed by a social when feasible; and secondly, phone calls to isolated or lonely parish seniors this winter. For more information pls contact: [pmarsdendole@archottawa.ca](mailto:pmarsdendole@archottawa.ca).

### Faith Formation

**Alpha, this Fall, in the Archdiocese of Ottawa-Cornwall:**

Annunciation of the Lord: Starts Sept. 21. Probably the most important part of any Alpha: the chance to share thoughts and ideas about the talk without being corrected or judged. There's no obligation to say anything; it's an opportunity to hear from others and contribute your own perspective. Info: Alpha - Annunciation of the Lord Parish. Contact information and details: [www.annunciation-ottawa.com](http://www.annunciation-ottawa.com).

St. Mary's, Ottawa via Zoom: The Alpha Experience helps prepare us for Eternal Life via dynamic films and interactive discussions which explore the basics and help deepen the Christian Faith. Guidance to easily use Zoom is provided. Register via <https://tinyurl.com/StMarysAlpha>. Starts Tues., Sept. 28, 7:00 pm. No cost but the experience is priceless. Info: <https://stmarysottawa.ca/alpha>; 613 728-9811 x701.

**Red Mass:** A bilingual Mass for Catholics in the Legal Profession; judges, lawyers, paralegals and all who work for justice in our legal system. Thurs., Oct. 21, 7:30 pm at Notre Dame Cathedral, Ottawa. Archbishop Marcel Damphousse will preside. All are most welcome. Info: [www.thomasmoreottawa.ca](http://www.thomasmoreottawa.ca).

### OTTAWA PASTORAL CARE TRAINING PROGRAM

The following courses are being offered this fall by the Ottawa Pastoral Care Training Program.

All programs will be delivered on Zoom.

In September they will have two 9-week Basic Courses in Pastoral care: one in the afternoon and one in the evening.

The Advanced course takes place in October and consists of 4 sessions;

For more information visit [Ottawapastoralcare.com](http://Ottawapastoralcare.com)

### OUR LADY OF THE VISITATION PARISH - TAKE-OUT DINNERS

- OLV would like to share with you that they are continuing to have the SUNDAY curbside pickup TAKE-OUT DINNERS. Curbside pick-up Sundays 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm. Don't be disappointed. Tickets selling fast. Prepaid orders! Tickets 613-822-2007 or email [events@olvottawa.ca](mailto:events@olvottawa.ca). Cost lower if you order multiple dinners. Adults \$22.50 and children 10 years and under \$10.00. Address for pick-up dinners, 5338 Bank Street, Gloucester, K1X 1H1.

**Here are the dates:**

October 17<sup>th</sup> - Annual Harvest Beef Dinner

November 14<sup>th</sup> - Annual Turkey Dinner

December 5<sup>th</sup> - Tourtières

### EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

**Director for Miriam Centre:** Full-time position, salary \$16/hour, 32.5 hours/week. Miriam Centre, a Christian ministry, is seeking a compassionate pro-life person whose primary responsibility will be to help pregnant women and their families. Must be fluently bilingual (oral and written), have good knowledge and experience in management and computer skills. For job posting see: <https://miriamcentre.ca/contact-us/>. Submit your resume to: Sr. Rita Lacelle, 107-1803 St. Joseph Blvd., Orleans, ON K1C 6E7, or [centremiriamcentre@gmail.com](mailto:centremiriamcentre@gmail.com).

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will instantly issue you a tax receipt and will forward your donation into our parish account.

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