

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Times

October 17th, 2021

MASS INTENTIONS



Saturday	October 16th
5:00 pm	† Arban Basso Volpatti by Lucina Arban
Sunday	October 17th
11:00 am	† Graciomilde Menezes by Matilda & Manuel De Sousa † Rosalia Garcia by Vicky Mina & Family
2:00 pm	Confirmation for St. Marguerite d'Youville students
Monday	October 18th
6:30 pm	Confirmation for St. Bernard students
Tuesday	October 19th
6:30 pm	Confirmation for St. Thomas More Students
Wednesday	October 20th
	Birthday Mass for Levert Dorval by the family
Saturday	October 23rd
5:00 pm	† Richard Kearney by Luciana Arban

WEEKLY CHURCH GUIDELINES

Monday	Rosary	07:00 pm
Tuesday	Rosary	07:00 pm
Wednesday	Mass	09:15 am
	Rosary	07:00 pm
Thursday	Mass	06:30 pm
	Rosary	07:00 pm
Friday	Mass	09:15 am
	Holy Hour & Rosary	06:30 pm
Saturday	Rosary	04:30 pm
	Mass	05:00 pm
Sunday	Mass	09:00 am
	Rosary	10:30 pm
	Mass	11:00 AM

For Confessions, make an appointment with the Pastor, Fr. Eslin Pereira, cmf, tel: 819-576-6255
Sunday 11:00 am mass can be viewed online through Facebook (saintbernardottawa)

NOTE; NO ROSARY ON OCTOBER 18 & 19 AND October 25 & 26.

Pastor's Message

Life = Sacred Circle

God is an infinite sphere, whose center is everywhere and whose circumference is nowhere. – Alain de Lille, The Rules of Theology

Dear Sisters and brothers in Christ, Father Richard Rohr views the Trinity as a mutual “circle dance” of love and communion. Those of us who grew up with the common Trinitarian notion of God probably saw reality, consciously or unconsciously, as a pyramid-shaped universe, with God at the top of the triangle and all else beneath. We like the pyramid. Knowing the line of authority or the pecking order can take away our anxiety. But this is exactly what the Trinity is not—the early fathers of the church said that the closest metaphor we can get for God is a circle dance of communion. It’s not hierarchical, monarchical, or a pyramid.

The following passage from Rev. Dr. Randy Woodley, a theologian and Cherokee descendant, describes the power of understanding life through the symbol of the circle: One model of understanding our relationship to everything is a simple symbol used among Native Americans: the circle. The harmony way of living is often referred to symbolically as a circle or a hoop. Perhaps you remember when you were a child and an adult said something like, “OK, kids, gather around” or “Let’s get in a circle,” or simply, “Circle up.” Circles are found in nature; perhaps that’s why we are so comfortable imitating the pattern.

The circle has no beginning and no end, so one can enter at any place or stage. The circle can explain stages of life, values, and different people groups. Circles can explain the seasons, how they all continue on to create harmony and balance.

Life is a sacred circle. When we gather in a circle, the praying has already begun. When we gather in a circle, we communicate with each other and with Great Mystery, even without a word being spoken.

God bless you all!
Fr. Eslin Pereira cmf.

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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)

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 upi tjere!

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.

FAITH FORMATION

New Life Retreat: You are invited to take part in a life-changing, faith-building experience. Are you looking for more meaning in your life? Are you seeking a personal encounter with the living Jesus Christ? Are you looking to experience the Baptism in the Holy Spirit? **New Life Retreat** on Monday evenings, Oct. 18 - Dec 6th via Zoom. Info/registration:

<https://stmarysottawa.ca/new=life=retreat>. Free. Hosted by St. Mary Parish, Ottawa

OUR LADY OF THE VISITATION PARISH - TAKE-OUT DINNERS

October 17th - Annual Harvest Beef Dinner
December 5th - Tourtieres

Conversation for Our Times

St. Basil's webinar series "Conversations for Our Times" continues this season on Sunday afternoon, October 31st with a dialogue on *Healing and Reconciliation with Indigenous people*.

An Anishinaabe and member of Henvey Inlet First Nation, Sr. Eva has been a Sister of St. Joseph for more than 60 years. She is the Executive Director of the Building Bridges Project for the Assembly of Catholic Bishops of Western Canada. She has dedicated her ministry to healing, education, dialogue, and reconciliation of Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples for more than 30 years. She has a doctorate in Cross-Cultural Ministry from the Chicago Theological Union.

The zoom link is also on St. Basil's website, <https://stbasilsparish.ca/>

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