

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

JULY 25, 2021

WORLD DAY OF GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	• † Ian Milne by William Sherry
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	• People of the Parish
	11:00 a.m.	• † Nelson MacLeod by Cheryl and Guy Langlois
Tuesday	9:00 a.m.	• † Parish All Souls Intention
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	• † Parish All Souls Intention
Thursday	9:00 a.m.	• Birthday Blessings for Bill and Richard by the family
Friday	9:00 a.m.	• † Anna Doyle by Reuben Doyle
Reconciliation by appointment only		

PSALM

You open your hand to feeds us, Lord; you satisfy all our needs. -
Psalm 145

READINGS

First Reading – 2 Kings 4.42 – 44
Second Reading – Ephesians 4.1 – 6
Gospel – John 6.1 – 15

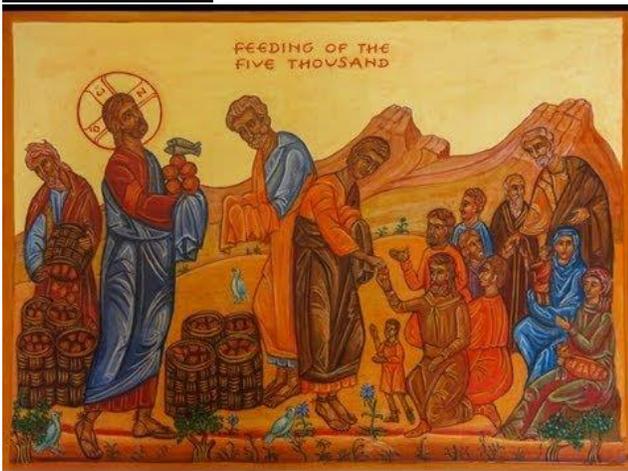
*Saints Martha, Mary and Lazarus
July 29
London Aldersgate St. Botolph's church
Stained glass window by Ward & Hughes*



THE DECEASED AND THOSE WHO MOURN THEM

Earl BURNETT, a long time parishioner parish and Ann's husband, who died on July 19.
Marilyn JODOIN, a parishioner and member of the finance council who died on July 27.

REFLECTION



Feeding of the Five Thousand
Sr. Esther, Benedictine Community, Turvey, England.
To see the meaning of the images in the icon, please visit:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vya-uj0xiKQ>

John's Gospel uses the miracle of the multiplication of the loaves and fishes to teach about the Eucharist. Our word Eucharist is taken from the Greek language and describes an action: "to give thanks." In the Eucharist we are fed by Jesus himself, and we are sent to serve others.

John's Gospel notes the detail that the bread blessed and shared with the crowd are barley loaves. This is the food of the poor. It reminds us that God feeds and nourishes us, fulfilling our physical needs as well as our spiritual ones. In the Eucharist, we are sent to serve the poorest among us.

The story of the multiplication of the loaves and the fishes recalls a particular aspect of the Mass. In this miracle, Jesus transforms a young boy's offering of five barley loaves and two fish. In the offertory at Mass, we present the fruits of our labors, represented

by bread and wine. These gifts, given to us first by God as grain and fruit, are returned to God in our offering of thanksgiving. God in turn transforms our gifts, making this bread and wine the very Body and Blood of Jesus. We also offer ourselves in this exchange, and we, too, are transformed by the Eucharist.

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Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

AUGUST 1, 2021 FAREWELL TO FR. TOM		
Saturday	5:00 p.m.	• Earl Burnett by the Dervin family
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	• In Thanksgiving for blessings received
	11:00 a.m.	• People of the Parish
Tuesday	9:00 a.m.	• † Parish All Souls Intention
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	• † Al Woodhouse by Barbara and Kelly Byrne
Thursday	9:00 a.m.	• Wedding Anniversary Blessings for Mark and Elizabeth Provost by Shirley and Roger Provost
Friday	9:00 a.m.	• † Parish All Souls Intention
AUGUST 8, 2021		
Saturday	5:00 p.m.	• People of the Parish
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	•
	11:00 a.m.	•
<u>Reconciliation</u> by appointment only		

PSALM

The Lord gave them the bread of heaven. - Psalm 78

READINGS

First Reading – Exodus 16.2 – 4, 12 – 15, 31a

Second Reading – Ephesians 4.17, 20 – 24

Gospel – John 6.24 – 35



*Saints Joachim and Anne
July 26*

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR GRANDPARENTS AND ELDERLY

Pope Francis has inaugurated the first World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly to be held on **the fourth Sunday of July**, close to the feast of Saints Joachim and Anne, the grandparents of Jesus. This year's theme is from the Gospel of Matthew: "I am with you always" (Mt. 28.20). In his message, Pope Francis wrote: "I am well aware that this Message comes to you at a difficult time: the pandemic swept down on us like an unexpected and furious storm; it has been a time of trial for everyone, but especially for us elderly persons. Many of us fell ill, others died or experienced the death of spouses or loved ones, while others found themselves isolated and alone for long periods." Click here to read the full message: [Message of His Holiness Pope Francis for the First World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly](#). For more information, visit: [First World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly \(laityfamilylife.va\)](#).

Ottawa Cornwall Catholic Seniors (OCCS) is a new initiative in our diocese to encourage seniors at the parish level to help each other live meaningful lives in the later years of life. We have a new place on the diocesan website with training videos for creating ministries for seniors and projects like phone trees, general information on parish seniors' activities in the diocese, and community resources available for frail seniors. More content will be posted as it becomes available. The English tab is: <https://en.archoc.ca/seniors>. The French is: <https://fr.archoc.ca/personnes-agees>.

There are many achievable things we can do to support our senior parishioners and to remind them that they are not alone or forgotten. Patricia Marsden-Dole has been working closely with parishes on ways to support our senior citizens. She is a good resource person for parishes seeking ideas for programs or easy to implement ideas (pmarsdendole@archottawa.ca).

May we not only remember Jesus Christ's promise "I am with you always" but also be his instruments, bringing this message to those most in need of a compassionate presence. <https://en.archoc.ca/current-messages>.

ROOF REPAIRS

Starting on Tuesday, August 3, a crew will be working on the church roof. These repairs are essential to keep us dry! Unfortunately, this work will take a couple of weeks, and will be ongoing during weekday Masses. We apologize for any inconvenience that the noise and equipment will cause. We appreciate your patience, forbearance and cooperation. Once the outside work is done, we can work on some of the inside issues.



FINANCE COUNCIL

Members of the council are deeply saddened by the death of Marilyn Jodoin, a dedicated member of the Parish and an exemplary member of Finance Council. The past year at the parish has been challenging, but rather than resign from Finance Council, Marilyn chose to devote her precious time to parish finances and administration, whilst, enduring repeated treatment for pancreatic cancer. Marilyn was not just a friend and colleague but, also hard working, incredibly bright, kind, loving, empathetic, compassionate, loyal, and, had a moral compass that she was not afraid to voice when required. Please say a prayer for Marilyn and her family. – Mike Phelan, Kathleen Grimes, and Aaron Northway.

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED

The parish is looking for more volunteers to help with the cleaning of the church after Masses, as well as funerals, weddings and baptisms. These volunteers are **essential to us being able to stay open**. We have wonderful volunteers who are happy to ensure everyone is able to attend Mass, but after a year are in need of help. If you think you can help, please call the office.

CWL NEWS

- ❖ The CWL Bursary Committee is proud to announce that our \$750.00 scholarship has been awarded to Phillip Giakoumelos, a recent graduate of St. Mother Teresa High School. Phillip is enrolled in the Police Foundations Program at Algonquin College this fall. He was presented with the bursary at the 9:00 a.m. Mass on July 19. We congratulate Phillip and wish him well in all his future academic pursuits.
- ❖ Please help the CWL to support underprivileged students attending Catholic schools in our area. This year, they are asking for gift cards (from Walmart, Giant Tiger or Staples) or cash in lieu of school supplies. Gift cards and Cash can be placed in an envelope clearly marked 'CWL SCHOOL INITIATIVE' and dropped into the collection basket or at the Church Office by **August 20**. *Thank you for your generosity.*



THANK YOU



Fr. Sean Wenger C.C, Fr. Dan Van Delst, Fr. Geoff Kerslake and Fr. Tom Riopelle will soon be ending their ministry here at St. Patrick parish. Parishioners who wish to do so, may leave a message or thank you to any or all of these priests who have supported us during Fr. Paul's absence. Please put your notes in the 'thank you' box, which is located by the church entrance.

MONTHLY COLLECTION TOTALS

Month	Sunday Offering	Restoration	Maintenance	Other
January	\$ 13,688	\$ 1,386	\$ 1,116	\$ 791
February	\$ 25,760	\$ 2,739	\$ 2,799	\$ 630
March	<u>\$ 32,202</u>	<u>\$ 3,253</u>	<u>\$ 2,132</u>	<u>\$ 1,210</u>
Quarterly Total	\$ 71,650	\$ 7,378	\$ 6,047	\$ 2,631
April	\$ 19,684	\$ 2,072	\$ 1,597	\$ 2,680
May	\$ 21,790	\$ 3,621	\$ 1,526	\$ 665
June	<u>\$ 27,296</u>	<u>\$ 2,420</u>	<u>\$ 2,327</u>	<u>\$ 760</u>
Quarterly Total	\$ 68,770	\$ 8,113	\$ 5,450	\$ 4,105

Thank you for your continued generosity!

RESIDENTIAL SCHOOLS

There has been a lot of discussion in the media about the discovery of graves on the grounds of former residential schools, and about the conditions that existed in the schools and the ongoing struggles of survivors. For those interested in learning more about this issue, the Archbishop of Toronto has issued an informative statement, see <https://mailchi.mp/archtoronto/cardinal-collins-statement-regarding-residential-schools-567434?e=70a71d7104>. The National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation contains many good resources to get a better understanding of the Residential Schools, visit: <https://nctr.ca/> Here is a link to the official reports from the Truth and Reconciliation Commission along with other documents: www.nctr.ca/records/reports/. Here is a link to a report specifically about the burial of Indigenous children (and others) on Residential School grounds, called: "Where are the Children Buried?" by Dr. Scott Hamilton, <https://ehprnh2mwo3.exactdn.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/05/AAA-Hamilton-cemetery-FInal.pdf>

The bishops of Saskatchewan have begun a fundraiser to aid in healing and reconciliation. More information on this initiative can be found through the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (<https://www.cccb.ca/announcement/regarding-the-saskatchewan-catholic-trc-healing-response-appeal/>). As well, Catholics for Truth and Reconciliation, provides opportunities to learn and support healing. See: <https://www.catholics4tr.com/>

The Catholic Bishops website has a lot of information, as well, at <https://www.cccb.ca/indigenous-peoples/indian-residential-schools-and-trc/cccb.ca>. To see some programs already in place, see: www.katerinativeministry.ca; www.ourladyofguadalupecircle.ca; and www.jesuitforum.ca. The work of healing and reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples is of fundamental importance to our local and national Catholic communities and to all of us as Canadians. It is important for us to learn about this issue, as well as to listen to those affected by this painful history.

APPLIED BIBLICAL STUDIES LIVESTREAMED SESSION

Even though we read Scripture every Sunday at Mass, we can still feel barren in our understanding and parched for deeper union with Christ. Be refreshed by Jesus himself in Word and Sacrament. Livestreamed session includes a dynamic keynote, *The New Exodus: Mark the Way of the Lord*, by presenter Dr. Scott Hahn. Taking place **July 28, 2021, 6:45 - 9:00 p.m.** Put on by Steubenville Conferences. Cost: free. For more information, visit: <https://steubenvilleconferences.com/events/abs/#!/livestream>.

DEFENDING THE FAITH LIVESTREAMED SESSION

During these trying times, God wants to give us bold and confident hearts to share his truth and love with joy! Livestreamed session includes a thought-provoking keynote, *Rite and Just: The Power of Worship*, by presenter Dr. Scott Hahn, a meditative time of eucharistic adoration, and special guests. Taking place **July 31, 2021, 6:30 - 10:00 p.m.** Put on by Steubenville Conferences. Cost: free. For more information, visit: <https://steubenvilleconferences.com/events/dfc/#!/livestream>.

"Even at the darkest moments, as in these months of pandemic, the Lord continues to send angels to console our loneliness and to remind us: "I am with you always". He says this to you, and he says it to me. That is the meaning of this Day, which I wanted to celebrate for the first time in this particular year, as a long period of isolation ends and social life slowly resumes. May every grandfather, every grandmother, every older person, especially those among us who are most alone, receive the visit of an angel!"

Pope Francis
