

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

SEPTEMBER 5, 2021		
Saturday	5:00 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • † Roseline Wijesekera by Douglas, Anne and Sherine Wijesekera • † Deceased members of Maria's family by Maria Chan
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	• People of the Parish
	11:00 a.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • † Aurèle and † Ray Langlois by Cheryl and Guy Langlois • † Tim Coogan by the family
Tuesday	9:00 a.m.	• † Parish All Souls Intention
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	• Birthday Blessings for Barry, Nina, Connor and Rory
Thursday	9:00 a.m.	• † Mark Gorman by Lucy Gorman
Friday	9:00 a.m.	• † Parish All Souls Intention
SEPTEMBER 12, 2021		
Saturday	5:00 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • † Catherine and † Jeffrey McLaughlin and † Deceased members of the Kennedy family by Irvin McLaughlin • † Deceased members of the Ryan family by Anne Lamont • † Claire Provost by Margaret and Gerry Chevalier
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • † Rick Kearns by Maralyn Kearns • † Marguerite Murphy by Anne and Alan Gordon
	11:00 a.m.	• People of the Parish
Reconciliation by appointment only		

PSALM

Praise the Lord, O my soul! - Psalm 146

READINGS

First Reading – Isaiah 35.4 – 7

Second Reading – James 2.1 – 5

Gospel – Mark 7.31 – 37

*Saint John Gabriel Perboyre,
1802- 1840
Missionary to China
Feast day September 11*



GOSPEL REFLECTION

The incident in today's Gospel is recorded only by Mark. The key line is what the crowd says at the end: "He has done all things well." In the Greek, this echoes the creation story, recalling that God saw all the things He had done and declared them good ([Genesis 1:31](#)). Mark also deliberately evokes Isaiah's promise, which we hear in today's First Reading, that God will make the deaf hear and the mute speak. The crowd recognizes that Jesus is doing what the prophet had foretold. But Mark wants us to see something far greater—that, to use the words from today's First Reading: "Here is your God."



Notice how personal and physical the drama is in the Gospel. Our focus is drawn to a hand, a finger, ears, a tongue, spitting. In Jesus, Mark shows us, God has truly come in the flesh.

What He has done is to make all things new, a new creation ([Revelation 21:1-5](#)). As Isaiah promised, He has made the living waters of Baptism flow in the desert of the world. He has set captives free from their sins, as we sing in today's Psalm. He has come that rich and poor might dine together in the Eucharistic feast, as James tells us in today's Epistle.

He has done for each of us what He did for that deaf-mute. He has opened our ears to hear the Word of God and loosed our tongues that we might sing praises to Him. Let us then give thanks to our glorious Lord Jesus Christ in the Eucharist. Let us say with Isaiah, "Here is our God, He comes to save us." - *Excerpted from Scott Hahn Reflects, stpaulcenter.com*

DEACON MARK MASSON IS APPOINTED TO ST. PATRICK'S

Today we welcome Deacon Mark Masson to our parish and our Pastoral Team. Appointed by Archbishop Damphousse, Deacon Mark comes to us with 13 years of experience as a deacon in parish ministry and in service to the Diaconate Community of the Archdiocese. I am pleased to welcome him to our parish as he brings with him skills and competencies in liturgy, sacraments, and pastoral life. I know that, despite our current limitations around gathering and social distance you will make Deacon Mark feel welcome as he begins his ministry of service here at St. Patrick Parish.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS GOLF TOURNAMENT



St. Patrick's Knights of Columbus have joined with other parishes' councils to host the first Annual Golf Tournament and dinner on **Friday, September 17, 2021**, at Cedar Hill Golf and Country Club. Open to men and women. This event provides us with an opportunity to gather for some fun and fellowship and also raise money for local council charities. Cost: Golf and dinner \$80, dinner only \$35. For questions or to register, contact Gerry Hogan at ghogan60@hotmail.com or Dan Burnett at wjburnett55@gmail.com or 613-880-3572. Please register and send electronic payment to KOCD98GOLF@gmail.com. Registration deadline **September 10**.

THE DECEASED AND THOSE WHO MOURN THEM

Claire PROVOST, the sister of Roger Provost of our parish, who died on August 22.

Dolores Wojtyna, whose funeral was celebrated here on August 20.

James McGrath, whose funeral was celebrated here on August 27.

Vivienne O'Shaughnessy, a member of our choir, whose funeral was celebrated here on August 31.



CELEBRATIONS OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

The celebrations will take place at Notre Dame Cemetery, 455 Montreal Rd., (notredamecemetery.ca) on **Sunday, September 12 at 2:30 p.m.**; and at Hope Cemetery, 4660 Bank St., (hopecemetery.ca) on **Sunday, September 19 at 2:30 p.m.**

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED

The parish is looking for more volunteers to help with livestreaming our 11:00 a.m. Mass, greeting Mass attendees, and sanitizing the pews after Mass and other celebrations, such as funerals, weddings and baptisms. **Volunteers are essential if we are to continue to have in-person Masses.** If you think you can help, please call the office.

OTTAWA PASTORAL CARE TRAINING PROGRAM

An inter-denominational program affiliated with the Christian Council of the Capital Area. All fall programs offered via Zoom. Two 9-week basic training courses in Pastoral Care (one in afternoon and one in evening) starting in **September**. Advanced course (4 sessions) in October. Continuing Education Event in November on '*Pastoral Care for those in Vulnerable Situations*'. For further information, visit: www.ottawapastoralcare.com or ottawapastoralcare@gmail.com.

OVERCOMING ANGER SEMINAR

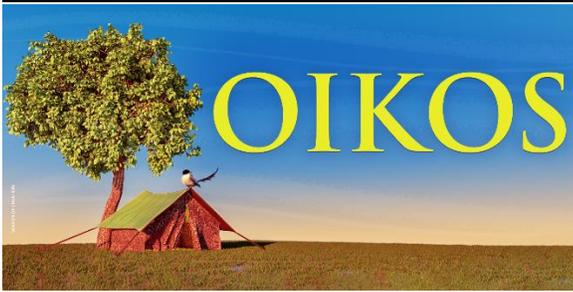
Get to the root issue of what is causing your anger and learn how to deal with it permanently instead of just managing it. On-line, **Saturday, September 11, 2021**. Cost: \$79. Hosted by Family Foundations Canada. For more information, please call 613-523-1377.

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR SEPTEMBER

We pray that we all will make courageous choices for a simple and environmentally sustainable lifestyle, rejoicing in our young people who are resolutely committed to this.



THE SEASON OF CARE OF CREATION



“A home for all? Renewing the Oikos of God” is the theme of this year’s Season of Creation, which will be an opportunity to renew our relationship with our Creator and all creation.

September 1 is celebrated by the Christian family as the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation and the beginning of the Season of Creation, which concludes on the feast of Saint Francis of Assisi on October 4. During

this period, Christians worldwide renew their faith in the God of creation and join in prayer and work for the care of our common home and to renew the Oikos of God. But... what is Oikos?

Well, in an etymological sense, the root of the word *Oikos* comes from ancient Greek and can be attributed to two meanings: “house” or “family”. In this way, both concepts are integrated in a very meaningful way for us since the word house refers to the physical inhabited place, our common home, the planet Earth, and the family are those who inhabit the home, all the species that inhabit our common home.

Our family is made up of the whole of humanity and each of the species that inhabit this planet form our home, our common home, a home for all. Our home is in danger. The climate crisis is causing the loss of habitats and ecosystems that are home to millions of species. This also includes us, humans. Our home is endangered by climate disasters and conflicts, so it must be renewed. Our baptismal call urges us to renew the whole Earth, so that life can flourish. To learn more, visit: <https://seasonofcreation.org/>

CANADIAN JESUITS INTERNATIONAL (CJI) HAITI APPEAL

CJI, along with other Jesuit international solidarity organizations, has launched an [appeal for Haiti](#) to support the response by Jesuits and Jesuit organizations in Haiti. The devastating impacts of the earthquake of August 14 left over 2000 people killed and more than 12,000 injured and over 30,000 families rendered homeless. The Jesuits have a long history of working in the impacted areas and our partners know its people well and have developed a long-term plan of emergency relief and recovery. For information, call 416-465-1824 or email cji@jesuits.ca or visit www.canadianjesuitsinternational.ca.

RELAUNCH OF APPEAL FOR HELP AND PRAYER FOR LEBANON

The Canada Near East Welfare Association (CNEWA) is inviting Canadians to continue to stand in solidarity with the Lebanese people in prayer and in whatever donations are possible. Since the explosion which destroyed a part of Beirut on August 4, 2020, CNEWA has sent over 6 million dollars, of which 1 million was from Canadian donations. For further details on how you can help, visit: <https://cnewa.org/ca/>.

OTTAWA SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY & SPIRITUALITY

Connecting People on the Path of Faith and Learning. Courses are available in both the fall and winter terms and are held on Monday evenings starting at 7:30 p.m. Due to Covid19, the 100% online format will continue for at least the fall term. Adult learning—no exams. ZOOM tutorial available if required. Register and view courses at: <http://osts.ca/>.

SCHNITZEL TAKEOUT DINNER: Enjoy a homemade Schnitzel Dinner with potato salad, red cabbage and strudel dessert from Our Lady of the Visitation kitchen **Sunday, September 12**. Curb side pickup from 3-6 pm. COVID 19 protocols followed. Proceeds to the church restoration fund. Prepaid tickets from 613-822-2007 or events@olvottawa.ca. Cost: \$22.50.



“Only one thing is necessary: Jesus Christ.”
Saint John Gabriel Perboyre
