MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, September 12 NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL

5:00 pm + Nick Huschilt by Karen King

Sunday, September 13

8:30 am + John Varga by Marie Graham

10:30 am + Laureen Montague by Anthony & Norma Pierroz

Tuesday, September 15 DEVOTION TO INFANT JESUS OF PRAGUE/MEMORIAL OF OUR LADY OF SORROWS

Intentions of the Parishioners

Wednesday, September 16 DEVOTION TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP / MEMORIAL OF ST. CORNELIUS/ST. CYPRIAN

+ Mr. Addflo Alerta by Marie Peart

Thursday, September 17 **DEVOTION TO ST. ANN**

+ Kathleen Tierro by Margaret Andrews

Friday, September 18

+ Grant Moffat & Family by Yvette & Lionel Gagnon

Saturday, September 19 NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL

5:00 pm Intentions of Alescia Butler by Halina Boruta

Sunday, September 20

8:30 am + Charles Montague by Judy Webb

10:30 am + Pietro DiRidolfi by The Family

MASS INTENTIONS: Masses are offered for various intentions such as death anniversaries, birthdays, wedding anniversaries and for the sick and dying or other intentions you may have. We look forward for your mass intentions using the envelopes available for your use. Each mass intention is \$10.

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR MONTH OF SEPTEMBER:

RESPECT FOR THE PLANET'S RESOURCES: WE PRAY THAT THE PLANET'S RESOURCES WILL NOT BE PLUNDERED, BUT SHARED IN A JUST AND RESPECTFULL MANNER.

LECTORS

Sat—Sept 12 5:00 pm Bill Klunder Sun- Sept 13 8:30 am Tom Montague 10:30 am Rene Reid



OFFERTORY COLLECTION: September 6, 2020

Regular Fund \$ 1,997.00 Building Fund \$ 240.00



ANNOUNCEMENTS

SPACE AVAILABLE TO ATTEND MASS: We would like to inform you that there is still space available to attend Mass at St. Mary's if you are comfortable in doing so or not at risk.

POSTED GUIDELINES ARE TO BE FOLLOWED WHILE ATTENDING MASS.

REMINDER THAT E-TRANSFERS ARE AVAILABLE: We are setup to receive e-transfer for donations or Mass stipends. Please call the office 905-768-5726 to discuss the password to use when you would like to do so. Thank you for your continued support.

ROSARY REMINDER: Sunday, Sept 13th @ 7:00 pm to pray Our Lady's Rosary in honour of her 5th apparition in Fatima to Saint Jacinta and Francesco.

RESCHEDULED DATES FOR SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

Due to the challenges of this year and COVID-19, alternative dates have been chosen for Special Collections if you have not already taken the opportunity to make these donations.

. Sunday, Sept 13th - Church in the Holy Land

. Sunday, Sept 27th - Needs of the Church in Canada

. Sunday, Oct 4th - Pope's Pastoral Works

. Sunday, Oct 18th - World Mission Sunday

. Sunday, Nov 1st - C.C.O.D.P.—Development & P

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GRANDPARENTS DAY PRAYER

Grandparents are cherished members of our family. They bring gifts of wisdom, experience, and love and share with us their life of faith. We thank God for their example and ask that he bless them with happiness and good health.

Lord God almighty,
bless our grandparents with long life, happiness, and health.
May they remain constant in your love
and be living signs of your presence
to their children and grandchildren.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen

24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Today's Gospel reading directly follows <u>last week's Gospel</u> in which Jesus taught the disciples how to handle disputes and conflict within the Christian community. In today's reading Peter asks Jesus how many times one ought to extend forgiveness to another. Peter proposes a reasonable number of times, perhaps seven. Jesus replies by extending Peter's proposal by an enormous amount; not just seven times should one forgive, but 77 times. The parable of the unforgiving servant is Jesus' elaboration of his initial reply to Peter. Through the parable we come to understand the depths of God's mercy toward us and the results of our acceptance of God's forgiveness.

The king in the parable decides to settle accounts with his servants. We are told that one servant in particular owes the king an enormous sum of money. Despite the promise of the servant, it is unlikely that he would ever be able to repay the debt that he owes. The king is moved by the humility of the pleading servant and mercifully forgives the debt. Rather than displaying gratitude for this forgiveness, the servant confronts a fellow servant who owes him a small debt—a pittance when compared with the amount that was owed to the king. The unmerciful servant refuses the pleas of his fellow servant and sends the servant to prison.

A few other servants tell the merciful king about the actions of the unforgiving servant. The king punishes the servant because he refused to show the kind of mercy he had himself received from the king. Jesus concludes by indicating that this is how it will be with God and those who refuse to forgive one another.

There is a temptation to quantify forgiveness as Peter tried to do, but Jesus' point is that forgiveness is not about quantity—the number of times we extend forgiveness to another. In the parable the king's forgiveness is like God's forgiveness, and it transforms us, helping us to be as forgiving as God. The lesson is clear: If we hoard God's mercy while showing no mercy to others, we risk forfeiting the effects of God's mercy in our lives.

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ST. MARY'S AND ST. ANN'S PARISH SEPTEMBER







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MASS TIMES

Weekend Masses: Saturday 5:00pm; Sunday: 8:30am St. Ann's;

10:30am St. Mary's

Weekday Masses: Tues, Wed, Fri, 9:00am at St. Mary's;

Thursday 9:00am at St. Ann's

Sat at 4:00pm or upon request

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PRAYER FOR PRIEST

Lord Jesus Christ, You love Your church and those called to share Your priesthood! With our love and prayers, we join You in asking our Heavenly Father to continue to pour out His gifts of holiness compassion and ardent zeal on your priests everywhere. Inspire each of them to offer his life as an Ambassador of Christ, bringing reconciliation and healing to the world. Mary, Mother of all Priests, inspire us to live in peace and joy and pray this prayer with us. Amen.

NO ONE IS BORN A PRIEST

Priests are made by prayer and with the help of the community. If you feel that our Lord may be calling you to serve Him in ordained ministry, we invite you to contact us to begin your vocational discernment.

Please do all you can to encourage priestly and religious vocations. Your prayers and support make a difference.

PRAYER FOR **VOCATIONS**

O Loving God, inspire your people to promote and to answer the call to Priestly and Religious Life.

Remove fears and doubts from their hearts. Give them the Spirit's aifts of wisdom and courage. We ask this in Jesus name. Amen.