

Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time October 8, 2017

*We are called to tend the vineyards of the Lord who will
judge our efforts at the end of time.*

CWL - Please join the CWL for the Rosary at 7:00 pm **Tuesday October 10th**. Our General Meeting will follow at 7:30 pm after the Rosary.

CURSILLO - With the fall upon us we know we have Cursillo weekends to look forward to. The Women's will be held **October 26-29th** and the men's on **Nov. 16-19th**. Please contact Helen Lemoire at 613 590-7450 anytime of day for details. All Cursillistas from Good Shepherd be a friend, make a friend, bring a friend to Christ.

Knights of Columbus Ladies Night

The Good Shepherd Parish Knights of Columbus Council will be celebrating our annual Ladies Night on Friday, October 20th in the Social Space at the Church. Cost is \$80 a couple and includes an Italian buffet with wine. It is always an enjoyable and fun evening with quizzes and prizes for the ladies. This year's theme is "Last Gasp of Summer" so summer attire is suggested. For more details and tickets, contact Mike Goulet, 613-824-3740, m.goulet@rogers.com. A limited number of tickets are available to parishioners.

100th Anniversary of Our Lady of Fatima

On October 13, 2017, the Catholic Church celebrates the 100th anniversary of the "Miracle of the Sun" that took place at the last apparition of Our Lady in Fatima. Our Lady of Fatima promised: "In the end, my Immaculate Heart will triumph." For this to occur, she asked us to pray the Rosary faithfully every day and to offer sacrifices and public reparation for the numerous sins being committed daily against her Immaculate Heart. In this spirit, we invite you to join us on Friday, October 13 for the 9 am Mass, followed by a Rosary Rally (prayer of the Holy Rosary outside the church) and Adoration with Benediction. May Our Lady's Immaculate Heart be venerated, and the Eucharistic Heart of her Son, Jesus, be adored and glorified!

A Solemn Holy Mass will be celebrated by His Grace, the Most Reverend Terrence Prendergast, S.J., Archbishop of Ottawa, at Notre Dame Cathedral at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, October 13th AND on Saturday, October 14th, a conference starting at with Holy Mass at St. Maurice Church celebrated by His Excellency, Bishop Riesbeck, then a short procession to St. Gregory School, near the Church for the conference with speakers Rev. Fr. Allan MacDonald, Superior General of the Companions of the Cross and Msgr. Ambrose Sheehy, Spiritual Director of the Legion of Mary, Toronto Senatus. Registration: Cost of \$15.00 per person (includes lunch). Call Angela at 613-829-0320 or Mary at 613-748-6191 or send email legionofmaryregia@gmail.com.

Mark your calendars please...
Time & Talent Weekend
21 & 22 October 2017



Offering for October 1, 2017

Sunday Envelopes:	\$ 3669.00
PAC/Visa/MC	\$ 2660.00
Loose:	\$ 943.00
Total Collection:	\$ 7272.00

Our financial requirements are approx. **\$8,000** per week to support our approx. **\$2,000** a week mortgage payment.

Father Greg Murray's Corner

Prayer is communion with God, and in order to deepen that communion we need to be constant in our prayer life. You'll notice that I said that prayer is communion, not communication. While prayer is a form of communication, the goal of prayer is not merely to tell God certain things about ourselves: our needs, our desires, our faults, or the needs of others, as if God isn't fully aware of these things already, as if God doesn't know us better than we know ourselves. But rather the goal and the practice of prayer is to commune with the divine, to live in the presence of the Lord and allow our lives to be filled with the Spirit of God.

The Apostle Paul tells us we should pray without ceasing; that our very lives should be a constant prayer, a constant turning towards God. Prayer is the gateway to life with God. What we truly need for prayer to be effective is desire for God and the will to persevere in the search for God.

Jesus taught his disciples to pray, and tells them what prayer is all about. They must have noticed, living so closely with him, that prayer was a constant facet of his life. Not only when he went off to a deserted place to spend the night in communion with the Father, but everyday, as he traveled, as he proclaimed the kingdom, when he was surrounded by people, Jesus prayed. When his death came near the first thing he turned to was prayer. On the cross, feeling abandoned by the Father, Jesus prayed. And Jesus does not present some esoteric method to his disciples, as if the spiritual life must be difficult in order to be authentic. Jesus' way is very simple. The Lord's Prayer is a good example: praise God, pray for the world, pray for yourself, ask forgiveness, and then let the Lord speak to you.

The Lord's prayer is Jesus' program for communion with God. But it's not so much the words we say, as it is the attitude we bring to prayer which is truly important; the desire for oneness with our creator, to live constantly in the presence of the source of our existence. And our persistence; our persistence is meant to draw us closer to God, not get something out of God. Prayer is an attitude of life that desires God above all things and constant communion with the object of our desire. God bless you all. Fr. Greg

On this Thanksgiving weekend, we appreciate Stephen Swift, a parishioner who has generously given many hours to keeping Father's garden and the grass and gardens outside the parish front doors, beautiful and healthy this spring, summer and fall. Stephen's humble dedication to this ministry has made our parish so welcoming and attractive. Thank you!

INTENTIONS

Saturday, October 7– Twenty Seventh Sunday on Ordinary Time

5:00 pm †Cletus Downey req by the family
†Christina Husbands req by Laynes & Clara Alphonse
†Dawn Shaver req by George Shaver and family
†June Irwin req by the Laciak family
Intention of Catherine req by a Parishioner

Sunday, October 8 – Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am For Our Parishioners
11:15 am †Ron Joly req by Jean Hall
†Katie Lewis re by Carol-Ann & Claude Trudel
†Noeline De Cruz req the family
†Margaret Pean req by the family
Mass of Thanksgiving req by the Storie & Sweet families

Monday, October 9 – Twenty Seventh Monday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am Intention of Vince Costello and the souls in Purgatory

Tuesday, October 10 – Twenty Seventh Tuesday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am Intention of Mary MacDonald req by Vince & Annmarie Costello

Thursday, October 12 – Twenty Seventh Thursday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am Mass of Special Intentions

Friday, October 13 – Twenty Seventh Friday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am Intention of Oliver Lee and a Mass of Special Intentions

Saturday, October 14– Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 †Carmen Macabulos req by Merlie Glover
†Oscar & Louise Lapierre req by Dr. G.M. Lusignan
†Art & Ethel Lusignan req by Dr. G.M. Lusignan
Intention of Sharon Krpan req by Marissa Laciak
Deceased members of the Pereira family

Sunday, October 15 –Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am †Elizabeth Anne MacDonald req by Carol Faure
†Mr. Majkowski req by Janina Majkowski
11:15 am For Our Parishioners

Please pray for our sick; Julia Ferguson, June Cheverie, Antoinette Tissaaratchy, Joe MacDonell, June Cheverie, Rose Dugandzic, Jean-Ella Lemire, Elsie & Steve Stadler, Lorretta Dillon-Robinette, Prema Raddalgoda, and John MacDonald.

Please pray for our deceased, that they may be received into God's love.

PRO LIFE CORNER

Let us pray that God, who looks for justice rather than bloodshed, may strengthen all nations to protect human life, especially at its most vulnerable stages.

Post Abortion healing retreat takes place Friday 10 - Sunday 12 Nov.

For additional information visit www.rachelsvineyard.org or call Lynda or Terry Munroe 613-806-5522 rvr_ottawa@yahoo.ca The Miriam Centre (613-830-8623) offers confidential spiritual and material assistance to those experiencing difficulty with challenges of pregnancy or other family concerns.