

**Twenty Eighth Sunday in
Ordinary Time
October 15, 2017**

*Called to feast at the Lord's table, we come, clothed with
joy, to give thanks.*



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

PARISH BREAKFAST – The Knights of Columbus will be hosting a Parish Breakfast on Sunday, October 29th following the 9:00 & 11:15 am masses. The tickets are \$5 per person or \$15 per family. Tickets will be available the weekends of Oct 14/15, 21/22 and at the doors on October 29th.

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.

40 Days for Life -a daily prayer vigil is being held across from an abortion facility at 65 Bank Street daily from 7 am to 7 pm, until 05 Nov. Prayer warriors are welcome. The mid-point rally is this Sunday evening at 7 PM at the corner of Bank and Sparks Streets.

True North Strong for Life National Pro-Life Conference - Join us as we welcome Senator Betty E. Unger and other pro-life speakers to the **Conference in Ottawa, November 3 & 4, 2017** at the Hilton Garden Inn Ottawa Airport. Youth component on Friday afternoon (subsidies available), opening Mass celebrated by Archbishop Prendergast. First Saturday Mass celebrated by Father Shroff. To register: call action life at 613-798-4494.

Offering for October 8, 2017

Sunday Envelopes:	\$ 3115.00
PAC/Visa/MC	\$ 2660.00
Loose:	\$ 766.00
Total Collection:	\$ 6541.00

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

Fr. Shroff's Corner

Today's first reading and Gospel both speak about a banquet. The first reading, from the Prophet Isaiah, refers to a banquet of rich and fine foods that the Lord Himself will provide for His people. The banquet takes place on a mountain. And through that banquet, the Lord will wipe away every tear from the eyes of His faithful ones. At that banquet, God's faithful will say, "Behold, this is our God. We have waited for Him so that He might come and save us."

This passage from Isaiah is extremely rich in meaning. It is echoed in today's Gospel, which speaks about a king preparing a wedding banquet for his son. In this parable, God the Father is the King, and Jesus Christ is His Son. The banquet is a mystical banquet, one in which the Son Himself becomes the Food that is eaten. This parable is a foreshadowing of the Holy Eucharist: the Mystical Supper of the Lamb.

The image on the front cover of this Sunday's bulletin is, in fact, called "The Mystical Supper." This expression, though not uncommon in the Christian East, is known to us Latin-rite Catholics more commonly as "The Last Supper." In the rite of Holy Communion at Mass, the Priest holds the Chalice and Host above the Altar and shows it to the people, saying, "Behold the Lamb of God. Behold Him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the Supper of the Lamb." In this "banquet of rich foods," Jesus Christ Himself becomes our Divine Food. The famous Eucharistic hymn *Panis Angelicus* says that "the Bread of Angels has become the Bread of men." That is why Holy Communion is not just a meal like any other: it is a Sacred Meal. It is a Sacred Meal offered in the form of a Sacrifice: the Holy Sacrifice of the Cross. The "Bread" that we eat is the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Christ: His Body that is broken on the Cross, His Blood that is shed on the Cross. The Cross takes place on Mt. Calvary, the Holy Mountain. Hence the reference to a banquet on a mountain, from today's first reading (Is. 25).

The last part of today's Gospel speaks about a man who enters the banquet improperly dressed, not wearing "a wedding robe." This improper dress at the banquet represents those who come to Mass and present themselves for Holy Communion while not being in a state of grace. Their souls are not "properly dressed": they are in need of purification through the Sacrament of Confession.

Let us, therefore, take time to examine our conscience before we come forward for Holy Communion. If we have any grave sins that are unconfessed, we should refrain from Holy Communion and first receive the Sacrament of Confession and absolution. We do this out of love for God, in order to receive Him in a manner that is worthy of His Holiness. Confession is a Sacrament that clothes our soul with a white garment, the "wedding robe" that makes us fit to receive the King at His Mystical Supper.

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
Intention of Michael req by Mary & Kenny Meahan
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
†Lucia Toussant req by Luzette

11:15 am For Our Parishioners

Monday, October 16 – Memorial – St. Marguerite D’Youville,

Religious

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

Tuesday, October 17 – Memorial – St Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop, Martyr

9:00 am †Mary Hagan req by Vince & Annmarie Costello

Thursday, October 19 – Twenty Eighth Thursday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am Mass of Special Intentions req by Ernie & Marian Sy

Friday, October 20 – Twenty Eighth Friday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am St. Paul of the Cross req by a Parishioner

Saturday, October 21– Twenty Ninth Sunday on Ordinary Time

5:00 pm †Doucette Lamy req by Luzette
Intention of Joanne Golding req by Marissa Laciak
Mass of Thanksgiving and Praise req by a Parishioner
Deceased members of the CWL

Sunday, October 22 – Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am For Our Parishioners

11:15 am †Guenter Andrews req by Stase Danaitis

Please pray for our sick; 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 we, the people of life, may always proclaim and defend human life as a gift from God.

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

If you or someone you know is pregnant and needs support,

confidential help is available. www.stmaryshome.com

www.miriamottawa.org 613-830-8623 www.birthright-ottawa.org or

visit: www.abortionincanada.ca www.adoptionincanada.ca or contact the parish office.