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#### LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Altar Servers Call the office

**Eucharistic Ministers** Catrina Boya

Lectors: Genia Vanderkruk 10:00AM Choir Susan McElcheran Rehearsal: Thursday 7:30 PM 12:00 Noon Choir

Greeters/Ushers: Call the office

## **CELEBRATIONS OF** THE EUCHARIST

Monday - Saturday 5:30 PM

> Sunday 10:00 AM 12:00 PM

### CELEBRATION OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM or by appointment.

#### **BAPTISMS**

Arrangements are made through the Religious Education office. Couples expecting a child are encouraged to contact the office before the child is born. Please contact Ext 1003, for more information.

#### MARRIAGE

Please call Fr. Bob at least one year prior to the planned wedding date.

> Pastoral Visitation of the Sick: To arrange for a visit Call the office Ext 1007

#### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 9:00am to 3:00pm Wednesdays - Closed

## **ORGANIZATIONS** & ACTIVITIES

Catholic Women's League 4th Monday of the Month

> Children's Liturgy 10:00 AM Mass

Creation Care Ministry 2nd Tuesday of each month 7pm.

**Development and Peace** www.devp.org 3rd Monday of the month 7:00 PM

Merrymakers 3rd Thursday of the month 12:00 PM

> Knights of Columbus 1st Thursday of the Month

> > Parish Council Every two months

St. Vincent de Paul Society 2nd Saturday of the Month 4:00 PM

#### MASS INTENTIONS

#### Saturday, October 5

5:30pm Int. of Elizabeth (family)

#### Sunday, October 6

10am Mrs. Kubiak †
12pm Gladys & Stanley Jurkowski †

#### Monday, October 7

5:30pm Int. of Jo Ann Bautista

#### Tuesday, October 8

5:30 pm Cyril & Mary Davis †

#### Wednesday, October 9

5:30 pm Frank Grech †

#### Thursday, October 10

5:30 pm Wladyslawa Pabian †

#### Friday, October 11

5:30 pm Conversion of hearts

#### **PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

The Sick: Aniela Kuncaitis, Antonia Bova, Celeste Cignarella, Rose Menecola, Rosanne Kelly, Inez Meleca, Charles Coupal, Lucia Xavier da Silveira, Louis Gris, Marianne Chard, Debbie Wagstaff

#### The Deceased:

John Robertson, Moya Carton, Edna Schlatau, Cyril Davis.





# Friars Nook

Man can only be understood from God, and only by living in relationship with God will his life be true. Since being human essentially means a relationship with God, it is clear that it also includes speaking with God and listening to God. (Joseph Ratzinger, Pope Benedict XVI)

Ignoring our deep nature, we do not realize that we are all mystics from birth. We are all, in some way, driven, even in our unconsciousness, by a fundamental, inevitable nostalgia: God. The nostalgia of the psalm: -Your face I will seek, Lord—There comes a time when the well-known exclamation of St. Augustine: —You made us, Lord, for yourself and our hearts are restless until they rest in you- and from this fundamental nostalgia, we live.

Rilke, the poet, lived for many years in Paris. In the company of a French friend. He went to the university every day along a very busy street. In one corner he would always find a beggar woman. The old woman, like a statue, motionless, with her hand outstretched, her eyes fixed on the ground. Rilke never gave her anything. The friend, surprised, asked him why he never gave her anything. "I think we should give something to her heart, not to her hands," the poet replied. The next day Rilke brought a splendid half-open rose, placed it in the beggar woman's hand and made to go on. Then something happened: the beggar woman raised her eyes, looked at the poet, got up from the ground with great difficulty, took the man's hand and kissed it. She left, holding the rose to her chest. No one saw her again for the next week. Eight days later she appeared again, sitting in the same corner, motionless, silent as ever. The poet's young companion wondered: "What has this woman lived on in these days when she received nothing?" "On the rose!" the poet replied.

And we, of faith and nostalgia to see our God once and for all...!

Fr. Alexander

Collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada: Supporting Bishops in Their Pastoral Mission Across the Country The Collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada will take place on October 5-6 2024. This annual initiative is an important opportunity for the faithful to actively support and assist the Bishops in their ministry of accompanying, teaching, guiding, sanctifying, and caring for the Church in Canada. Please support the Collection. We thank you in advance for your generosity and continued commitment. Subscribe to CCCB News or follow us on Twitter (X) To receive CCCB news through our free and confidential email service, please fill out the registration form at https://www.cccb.ca/en/news/subscribe/ Follow CCCB on TWITTER (X): https://twitter.com/CECC\_CCCB

#### <u>Stewardship Month – October</u>

This Stewardship Month, we invite all parishioners to explore the various ministries and groups at our parish. After each weekend Mass throughout the month, representatives will be available to share information, answer your questions, and help you sign up. As Father Bob often reminds us, if each of us engages in just one ministry or event, we can truly say there's a place for everyone here. We encourage new parishioners to join us and discover how you can share your gifts in our vibrant community! Please visit our website to know more about the ministries!

#### **Animal Blessing**

The blessing of animals will be at 2pm on Sunday, October 6<sup>th</sup> in front of the parish. All are welcome to bring their pets for a special blessing.

#### Oktoberfest: Dinner Dance Fundraiser - New Date!

We are excited to announce that Oktoberfest will take place on **Friday**, **October 25th!** Join us for our fall fundraising event, where you can enjoy a delicious meal, dance the night away, and socialize with fellow parishioners. Dinner begins at 7 PM, followed by dancing from 8:30 to 11:30 PM. Tickets are priced at \$25 (children under 6 years old are free) and will be available for purchase after all weekend Masses starting October 5th at the church entrance and parish hall. Please note, we have only 100 tickets available, so be sure to get yours early! All are welcome—don't miss out on this wonderful evening!

#### Winter Welcome Table: Meeting October 7th

There will be a meeting for all volunteers of the Winter Welcome Table on Monday, October 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm at St Peter's. All are welcome!

#### **Volunteer Hours**

If you are a student and would like to volunteer in the parish office on Sundays from 11:00am to 12:00pm, please send an email to Mj,

#### Social Activities during the week:

Card Playing will begin on October 8<sup>th</sup> at 2pm in the parish hall for Euchre and Board games (bring your own) & on October 10<sup>th</sup> at 2pm for Bridge and Board Games. All are welcome!

#### Thanksgiving Drop-In Lunch

Are you someone in need of Thanksgiving plans this year? Are you missing family or living solo? Join us in the parish hall from 12:00pm - 3:00pm for a simple bowl of Butternut Squash soup and fresh bread, with a light dessert. Donations welcomed, but your presence means more to us. Sit back and enjoy a fresh meal, while enjoying companionship with members of your Pastoral and Hospitality teams. More details to come.

October Dates to remember

October 6: Special Collection for Needs of the Canadian Church

October 6: 2pm Blessing of Animals

October 6 & 8: Religious Ed. Classes begin

October 8: Creation Care Ministry Meeting

October 9: CWL Exec Meeting

October 14: Thanksgiving Day (No Mass / Parish Office Closed)
\*Thanksgiving lunch 12pm

October 21: Development & Peace Meeting

October 24: Novena for All Souls Day begins

October 25: Oktoberfest 7pm

October 26/27: D&P Fairtrade Sale

October 28: CWL General Meeting

#### **Saints of the Month:**

01 – St Therese of Lisieux

02 - Guardian Angels

04 – St. Francis of Assisi

05 - St Faustina Kowalska, Virgin

06 - St Bruno, Priest

07 – Our Lady of the Rosary

09 - St John Henry Newman

11 - St John XXIII, Pope

14 – St Callistus I, Pope

15 – St Theresa of Jesus, Virgin and Doctor

16 – St Mari-Marguerite D'Youville

17 – St Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr

18 – St Luke the Evangelist

22 - St John Paul II, Pope

23 - St John of Capistrano, Priest

24 – St Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop

28 - Sts Simon and Jude, Apostles



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