

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time– Oct 17, 2021

ST. MARY PARISH

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tues. Oct 19 - 7:00 p.m. Jack Hawkins Req'd by Margaret Hawkins
Wed. Oct 20 - 9:00 a.m. Kathleen & Jim Lehman Req'd by Ron & Marian Flanigan
Thur. Oct 21 - 9:00 a.m. Jack Moore Req'd by The Pastoral Care Team
Fri. Oct 22- 9:00 a.m. Sean MacMillan Req'd by Joan Jeffery
Sat. Oct 23 - 4:00 p.m. The People of the Parish
Sun. Oct 24 - 9:00 a.m. The People of the Parish

LECTORS

Sat. Oct 23 - 4:00 p.m. Maxine Schmidt
Sun. Oct 24 - 9:00 a.m. Emma Westendorp

CONFESSION only by appointment, call Fr. Mike at: 519-323-1054 ext. 7



REMEMBER, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thy intercession was left unaided. Inspired with this confidence, I fly to thee, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother; to thee do I come; before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen.

ST. THOMAS, Harriston

Sat. Oct 23- 5:30 p.m. Dorothy Bell Req'd by Mary & Tony Andrade

ST. PETER'S, Aytton

Sun. Oct 24 - 11:00 a.m. Garvey & Burns Families Req'd by Estate of Bernadette Burns

I will exult and rejoice in your steadfast love.
-Psalm 31.7

DIOCESAN CALENDAR

Mon.-Very Rev. A. Lee Tue.- Very Rev. M. King
Wed.- Congregation of the Holy Cross (C.S.C.)
Thurs.- Rev. M. Stefanec
Fri.- Rev. H. Van Tran, O.M.I. Sat.- Rev. Y. Paquin, O.H.

Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word.
Luke 1.38

"Give...to God the things that are God's." Consider service as a priest. If God calling you **contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 or email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com**

Sunday's Readings

First Reading

Isaiah 53:10-11

Through his suffering, the servant of Yahweh will justify many.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 33:4-5,18-19,20,22

A prayer of praise for God's mercy

Second Reading

Hebrews 4:14-16

Jesus is the high priest who sympathizes with our weakness.

Gospel Reading

Mark 10:35-45 (shorter form Mark 10:42-45)

Jesus teaches that those who wish to be great must be the servant of all.

Background on the Gospel Reading

In this Sunday's Gospel, we continue to read from the section of Mark's Gospel that reports Jesus' journey to Jerusalem. Last Sunday we heard Jesus lament the particular challenges those with many possessions face in

order to enter the Kingdom of God. Jesus then predicts his passion to the Twelve, who are amazed and afraid. In this part of Mark's Gospel, Jesus' words to his closest disciples seem to be intended to prepare them for the events that will occur in Jerusalem.

In today's Gospel, James and John ask to be given seats of honor when Jesus enters into his glory. Once again, the disciples seem to be selective in what they hear Jesus say. They want to share Jesus' glory, but do not appear to understand that his glory will be preceded by his suffering. Jesus notes their lack of understanding and predicts the suffering they will endure for the sake of the Gospel. Jesus says that the honor they seek is not his to give. When the other ten hear what James and John have asked, Mark reports that they are indignant. Jesus takes the opportunity to teach them.

Jesus explains the importance of service and sacrifice in the life of a disciple. In particular, he seems to be preparing the Twelve for their leadership roles in the emerging Christian community. Echoing the Gospel we heard several weeks ago (on the 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Mark 9:33-37), Jesus acknowledges that his teaching is countercultural. In today's Gospel, Jesus contrasts the dynamics within the community of disciples with those shown by the rulers of the Gentiles.

Following Jesus' example of sacrificial love continues to be countercultural in our day as well. We might take this opportunity to consider our models of authority and examine our own exercise of authority. On whose example do we model our leadership?

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First Holy Communion Notice for 2020 - 2021 **Participants**

If your child was prepared to make their First Holy Communion in the school year 2020 - 2021 there will be an opportunity to make this sacrament on **Saturday, November 13, 2021 at 1:00 p.m.** If your child was prepared but cannot make this date please contact Father Mike, Pastor, of St. Mary of the Purification Parish.

Food Bank – Harriston

The food bank in Harriston is looking for donations of food, in particular, canned foods and toiletries. If you are able to contribute it would be appreciated.

CEMETARY FLOWERS

Reminder that is that time of year again, Flowers at the cemetery need to be removed by December 1. Thank you for your understanding Cemetery Board.

An Ancient Prayer to Saint Joseph

O ST. JOSEPH, whose protection is so great, so strong, so prompt before the throne of God, I place in thee all my interests and desires. O St. Joseph, assist me by thy powerful intercession and obtain for me all spiritual blessings through thy foster Son, Jesus Christ Our Lord, so that, having engaged here below thy heavenly power, I may offer thee my thanksgiving and homage.



Act of Consecration to the Most Blessed Virgin Mary

Virgin of Fatima, my dearly beloved Mother, I, _____, consecrate myself today, in a very special way, to your Immaculate Heart.

By this solemn act, I offer my whole life to you; my heart, my soul, my body and especially this time of my youth in which I am now living.

Guide me along the way that Jesus has traced out for us; the way of love, of goodness and of sanctity.

Help me to flee from sin, from evil and from egoism and to resist temptations to violence, to impurity and to drugs.

I promise you to go to confession often and to receive Jesus into my heart and to walk along the road of love and of purity.

I want to be a witness of unity by my great love for the Pope, for my Bishop and for my Priests.

I love you, O sweetest Mother of mine, and I offer you my youth for the triumph of the Immaculate Heart in the world. Amen.

PRAY FOR THE SICK

We pray for all our sick parishioners