

## 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Oct 18, 2020

### ST. MARY PARISH

### WEEKDAY MASSES

Tues. Oct 20 - 9:00 a.m. Betty Davidson Req'd by Joan Jeffery  
Wed. Oct 21 - 9:00 a.m. Evelyn Goetz Req'd by Helen & Bert Moore  
Thur. Oct 22 - 9:00 a.m. Marylou Burken Req'd by Helen Seifried  
Fri. Oct 23 - 9:00 a.m. The Pronk Family Req'd by The Pronk Family  
Sat. Oct 24 - 4:00 p.m. Dec'd members of The Pronk Family Req'd by Corrie & Martin Pronk  
Sun. Oct 25 - 9:00 a.m. The People of the Parish

### LECTORS

Sat. Oct 24 - 4:00 p.m. Pauline Mills  
Sun. Oct 25 - 9:00 a.m. Debra Ross

**CONFESION only by appointment, call Fr. Joe at: 519-323-1054 ext. 7**

### ST. THOMAS, Harriston

Sat. Oct 24 - 5:30 p.m The People of the Parish

### ST. PETER'S, Ayton

Sun. Oct 25- 11:00 a.m. Loretta & Jim Murray Req'd by Dot Bourgeois

**Earth has no sorrow that heaven cannot heal.**

**-St. Thomas Moore**

**As the family goes, so goes the nation and so goes the whole world in which we live. - St. John Paul II**

### DIOCESAN CALENDAR

Mon.- Rev. A. Mazur, S.A.C. Tue.- Rev. G. Stortz

Wed.- Sisters Adorers of the Precious Blood (R.P.B.)

Thurs.- Rev. Msgr. E. Talbot

Fri.- Rev. R. Tomon Sat.- Rev. E. Lapinski, C.R.

**"Give...to God the things that are God's." That includes you!** Is God calling you, **contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 or email [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com)**

**October 2020 Prayer Intention of Pope Francis – The Laity's Mission in the Church: We pray that by the virtue of baptism, the laity, especially women, may participate more in areas of responsibility in the Church.**

**Let us throw ourselves into the ocean of God's goodness where every failing will be cancelled and anxiety turned into love.  
-St. Paul of the Cross**

### Liturgical Calendar

Oct. 19- St. Paul of the Cross  
Oct. 20- St. Hedwig and St. Margaret Mary Alacoque  
Oct. 22- St. John Paul II.  
Oct. 23- St. John of Capistrano  
Oct. 24- St. Anthony Mary Claret

**Christian perfection consists in three things: praying heroically, working heroically, and suffering heroically.  
- St. Anthony Mary Claret**

**Keep your heart in peace and let nothing trouble you, not even your faults. You must humble yourself and amend them peacefully, without being discouraged or cast down, for God's dwelling is in peace.  
- St. Margaret Mary Alacoque**

### Sunday's Readings

#### First Reading

*Isaiah 45:1,4-6*

The Lord chooses Cyrus to subdue the nations for the sake of Israel.

#### Responsorial Psalm

*Psalm 96:1,3-10*

Sing praise to the Lord.

#### Second Reading

*1 Thessalonians 1:1-5b*

Paul greets the Thessalonians, recalling the Gospel they received.

#### Gospel Reading

*Matthew 22:15-21*

The Pharisees send their disciples to test Jesus with a question about taxes.

### Background on the Gospel Reading

In today's Gospel Jesus and the religious leaders in Jerusalem continue their tense exchange of questions and challenges. At this point the disciples of the Pharisees, try to entrap Jesus by their question about the payment of taxes.

If Jesus answers with the Pharisees, he shows himself to be an enemy of Rome. If he answers with the Herodians, he offends popular Jewish religious sensibilities.

Jesus' response to this attempt to trap him exposes the guile of his questioners. From his first words to them, Jesus shows that he is very much aware of what they are trying to do. He asks to see a Roman coin, which is readily provided to him. It may have come from the hand of a Herodian, but the Pharisees show themselves to be quite willing to accept this compromise. Jesus has already exposed the Pharisees as hypocrites.

Jesus takes his response one step further. He asks that his questioners examine the coin. Agreeing that it is Caesar's image on the coin, Jesus tells them that it must belong to Caesar. Avoiding the question of lawfulness altogether, Jesus answers their question with simple logic. Then, going further still, Jesus tells them that their obligation is to pay to God that which belongs to God.

Jesus' response to the Herodians and Pharisees suggests the ethic that Christians ought to adopt. It reminds us of the importance of keeping things in their proper perspective. Do we attach ourselves to worldly things at the expense of the love and honor that we owe to God?

### Family Connection

In today's Gospel Jesus reminds us of the necessity of giving things their proper importance. The Herodians and Pharisees were giving too much importance to the issue of the payment of taxes. Jesus reminds them that loving and honoring God is of greater importance. In family life we do many important things, but we remember that God is of the greatest importance in our lives. Pray together that your family will learn to keep things in proper perspective, remembering to keep God first in your lives. Pray together today's psalm, Psalm 96.

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

**Congratulation to all children who received the First Holy Communion in this weekend.**

### ALL SOUL'S DAY- Tues. NOV 2

Mass time: 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. at St. Mary's Church. Please if you can attend one of these Masses and pray for the deceased members of your families.

### CWL Membership Dues

The 2021 CWL membership dues must be paid before the end of the year 2020. Please address any envelopes to Colleen Dalla Costa or use the Blue envelope.

### Month of October- Month of Rosary

The purpose of the Rosary is to help keep in memory certain principal events in the history of our salvation. There are twenty mysteries reflected upon in the Rosary, and these are divided into the five Joyful Mysteries (said on Monday and Saturday), the five Luminous Mysteries (said on Thursday), the five Sorrowful Mysteries (said on Tuesday and Friday), and the five Glorious Mysteries (said on Wednesday and Sunday). As an exception, the Joyful Mysteries may be said on Sundays during Advent and Christmas, while the Sorrowful Mysteries may be said on the Sundays of Lent.

The question is sometimes asked, why, of all the incidents in our Lord's life, the Rosary only considers these particular twenty. The mysteries of the Rosary are based on the incidents in the life of Our Lord and His Mother that are celebrated in the Liturgy. There is a parallel between the main feasts honoring our Lord and his Mother in the liturgical year, and the twenty mysteries of the Rosary. Consequently, one who recites the twenty mysteries of the Rosary in one day reflects on the whole liturgical cycle that the Church commemorates during the course of each year. That is why some of the Popes have referred to the Rosary as a compendium of the Gospel. One cannot change the mysteries of the Rosary without losing the indulgences that the Church grants for the recitation of the Rosary.

### SUNDAY MISSAL

The Sunday Missal for the Liturgical year 2020/2021 will be available at the Parish office to purchase your own personal copy; for each book cost is \$ 5.00.

### Living with Christ Monthly Missal

It is inform you that the monthly Missal "Living with Christ" can be subscribed by those who wish to have their own copy for their own spiritual development. The cost per year for 12 copies is \$ 36.00. Please contact the Parish office at 519 323 1054.