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LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Altar Servers
Call the office

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Catrina Bova

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 contact Fr. Anish 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
10:00am to 3:30pm
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

Monday, September 22

5:30pm For the Parish Community

Tuesday, September 23

5:30pm For the Deceased of our
Parish Community

Wednesday, September 24

5:30pm For the Leaders of our
Parish

Thursday, September 25

5:30pm For the Sick of our Parish

Friday, September 26

5:30pm For the Parish Community

Saturday, September 27

5:30pm Int. of Lina & Alex Banez

Sunday, September 28

10am For the Volunteers
of our Parish

12pm For the Seniors of our Parish
Community

SANCTUARY LAMP
(September 21 - 27)

This week's Sanctuary Lamp
burns for Lina Rodrigues.
Please keep her in your prayer.

WE PRAY FOR:

The Sick

Maryann Chard, Mary Kelly
Mark Szuba, Anne Szuba
Ted Daniel, Laura Gill,
Sylvia Casper, Cecilia Salazar

The Deceased

Beverly Johnson
Genoveffa Farenga
Aldo Canino
Rose Di Tommaso
Lena Duffy



The Pastor's Nook

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

On this Twenty-Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time, the Word of God invites us to examine our hearts honestly: What is my attitude toward wealth, material things, and the poor among us?

Through the prophet Amos (Amos 8:4–7), God condemns the injustice of the rich who exploit the poor. Sadly, that message remains painfully relevant in our world today. While some live in excess, others struggle to afford even one meal. As St. John Chrysostom reminds us: “Not to enable the poor to share in our goods is to steal from them and deprive them of life. The goods we possess are not ours, but theirs.”

In the second reading (1 Tim 2:1–8), St. Paul urges us to pray for all leaders and those in authority. If their hearts are converted, justice, wisdom, and compassion can flourish. Prayer is not passive—it is a powerful act that invites God's mercy into broken systems and hardened hearts. As St. Teresa of Calcutta often said: “If you cannot feed a hundred people, then feed just one.” Our small acts of charity, combined with prayer, ripple into great change.

The Gospel (Luke 16:1–13) reminds us that money and material possessions are temporary. They are not evil in themselves but are entrusted to us as stewards, not owners. True holiness comes when we use wealth to serve others, not to hoard for ourselves. St. Basil the Great challenges us bluntly: “The bread which you keep belongs to the hungry; the coat which you guard in your locked chest belongs to the naked; the money which you bury in the earth belongs to the needy.”

Dear friends, Jesus calls us today to invest—not in the fleeting securities of this world, but in eternal treasures. The best investment we can ever make is in the poor, the lonely, the sick, and the marginalized, for when we serve them, we serve Christ himself (cf. Mt 25:40).

Let us be found trustworthy stewards of both our material blessings and our spiritual gifts. May our generosity not only lift others from poverty and hardship but also store up for us the true riches of heaven: love, mercy, and eternal joy in God's presence.

As St. Francis of Assisi beautifully put it: “For it is in giving that we receive.”

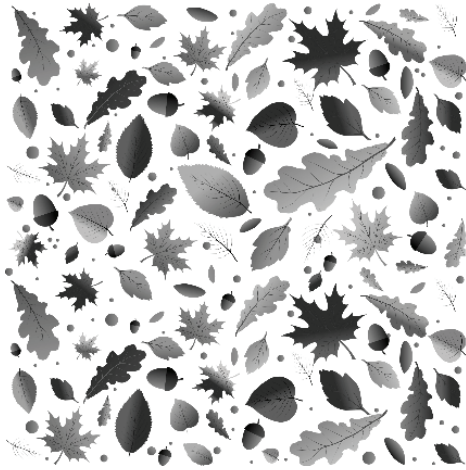
May the Lord give us generous hearts to share what we have been entrusted with, so that together we may build a parish and a world marked not by greed and indifference, but by justice, compassion, and love.

JESUS I TRUST IN YOU

Fr. Anish Alex

Ordinary Time Sunday

Visit Creation Care Ministry's table in the hall next weekend Sept. 27-28



Are you inspired by Pope Francis' call to care for our common home? Does responding to the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor speak to your heart? We invite you to join Creation Care Ministry! We pray and learn together, and seek to deepen ecological spirituality, awareness, practices and solidarity in the parish and beyond. What we do also depends on the talents and interests of parishioners who join, so bring your diverse gifts and get involved as much as you wish. Youth are welcome! Visit our table in the hall after all the masses next weekend Sept. 27-28 to find out more and speak with us. Explore our website at www.bit.ly/sjaccm to learn more and find suggested ways to pray, learn and take action during this Season of Creation.

"Our mission to care for creation, to foster peace and reconciliation, is Jesus' own mission, the mission that the Lord entrusts to us. We hear the cry of the earth, and we hear the cry of the poor, because this plea has reached the heart of God. Our indignation is his indignation; our work is his work." Pope Leo, homily, Holy Mass for the Care of Creation, 9 July 2025.

My Dear Parishioners,

I wish to express my heartfelt gratitude to all of you for your prayers, support, and dedication during my installation as Pastor of St. John's on September 14, the Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross. The beautiful liturgy, the generous service of our staff, committees, ministries, and volunteers, and the joyful presence of parishioners and friends from near and far made the day truly memorable.

Please continue to keep me in your prayers, that I may always be a faithful shepherd after the heart of Christ.

With gratitude and blessing,

Blessing of the Backpacks (September 27 & 28)

As a new school year begins, we invite all students to bring their backpacks to Mass the weekend of September 27-28. During the blessing, we will pray for God's guidance, protection, and joy in learning for all our students, teachers, and families.

C.W.L. News

Welcome back ladies! The Catholic Women's League will hold their September meeting, on Monday, September 22, at 7:00 pm. All women over 16 years of age are welcome. We will start collecting 2026 Memberships (\$32.00) now, so it can be submitted on time.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

We will hold our next Bundle Weekend will be October 4/5, 2025. We will accept gently used clothes and household items. Truck will be in the corner of the parking lot for that weekend.

Merrymakers's Lunch

The Merrymakers's Lunch will resume on **Thursday**, October 16.

Your Gifts to God (\$)

...for September 13/14	
Expenses	7,288
Envelopes	1,900
Loose	2,230
PAG (wk)	1,731
Online	110
TipTap	110
**Received	6,081
Short	-1207

** We require \$7288 a week (\$31,500 a month) to cover our basic parish expenses.

Your generosity helps us to make our community alive through various liturgies and many outreach initiatives.

Thank you for your support.

SEPTEMBER AT A GLANCE

September 21

Prayer Walk in High Park – Creation Care

September 22 - CWL

General Meeting (6:30pm)

September 23

Euchre Game (1:30pm)

September 27-28

Fair Trade Weekend

September 27-28

Special Collection: Needs of the Church in Canada

September 27-28

Blessing of the Backpacks

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