OCTOBER 20, 2019 TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The four pillars of parish stewardship are hospitality, prayer, formation and service. Today's readings show us the immense value of prayer and the privileged place it must have in our individual lives and our in parish community.



Our Lord Himself calls us to prayer — and persistence in prayer — in the Gospel passage from Luke. Jesus tells the parable of the nagging widow who finally wears down the judge with her unrelenting persistence in her pursuit of a just ruling from him on her behalf. Jesus goes to great lengths to describe this judge, saying he "neither feared God nor respected any human." Yet even this corrupt judge responds with a just judgment because of the widow's persistence.

Jesus uses this outlandish example to draw a vivid contrast between a reluctant, dishonest judge and our loving, all-merciful Father. If even a bad judge will give a good result in response to a persistent request, how much more (infinitely more) eagerly and perfectly will our good Father respond to our persistent prayers to Him.

If he delays in responding, if he provides a different response from the one we were expecting, we can remain confident and trusting in His goodness, knowing that His response, whenever it comes and in whatever form, will be the very best one for us.

Our job then, as Christian stewards, is simply to remain faithful to our relationship with God through prayer. We must lean on each other in our communities — family and parish — as we support each other in prayer. A strong pillar of prayer will make all our other stewardship efforts fruitful.



A FUTURE FOR THE AMAZON, A FUTURE FOR ALL!

The Amazon is home to half of all the plants and animals in the world. It is also home to more than 30 million people, nearly 3 million of whom belong to 380 indigenous groups. Logging, industrial farming and mining companies threaten their way of life and their survival. Act now! 1) Sign the Solidarity Letter to defend the defenders;

2) Take the intergenerational pledge for our common home. Change starts with each and every one of us.

For more information: devp.org/campaign



PARISH CALENDAR & MASS INTENTIONS

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6:30 pm Development & Peace Meeting

7:00 pm **RCIA**

8:00 am—11:00 pm Elections Canada Poling Site

TUE	S, OCT	22 8	3:30	am	Bernadet	te L	vnch†
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8:30 am Owen, Aileen & Bill Kennedy † WED, OCT 23

THURS, OCT 24 8:30 am No Mass

FRI, OCT 25 8:30 am Marie Murphy †

Ann Bialik † SAT, OCT 26 5:00 pm

SUN, OCT 27 9:00 am Tom Quinlan †

11:00 am Mass for the People

OFFERING FOR SUNDAY, OCT 13

Offertory: 186 Envelopes.....\$4,502.45 Loose\$ 358.95 Electronic Funds Transfer.......... \$170.00 **Total Offertory......\$5.031.40**

Special Collections:

Bishops Needs of the Canadian Church\$ 110.00 Total to Date.....\$1,440.00 Cathedral Restotion.....\$100.00

Total to Date.....\$25,431.50

ST. JULIA PASTA NIGHT

Mark your calendars now for our first St. Julia Family Pasta Night on Wednesday, November 20th. More delicious details to come!

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DID YOU KNOW.....

...that just before we receive Holy Communion, we are to bow our head? The Roman Missal teaches us that when receiving Holy Communion, we are to bow our head before the Sacrament as a gesture of reverence, and then receive the Body of the Lord from the Priest, Deacon, or Extraordinary Eucharistic Minister. The consecrated host may be received either on the tongue or in the hand, at the discretion of each communicant. When Holy Communion is received under both kinds, the sign of reverence is also made before receiving the Precious Blood.

St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Women's League **Bazaar**

Saturday, October 26, 2019 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Penny Sale | Raffle | Bake Table | Lunch | Crafts

Donation Drop Off Times For Baked Goods, Crafts

Thursday, October 24 5 - 8 p.m. Friday, October 25 5 - 8 p.m.

For Information please contact: Rhonda Carter 905-682-2176

Please join us and support this wonderful event!!



ST. ALFRED'S CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

...is hosting a Snowflake Bazaar on Sunday, November 10th at 272 Vine St. in St. Mark's Room from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. There will be a penny sale and raffle, silent auction, crafts, baked goods, candy and much more. Everyone is welcome.

RCIA

Our topics this week are "The Holy Trinity" and "Who is Jesus Christ?" Anyone interested in learning more about these topics are welcome to join us at 7:00 pm on Monday, October 21st in the church office.

ELECTIONS CANADA POLING PLACE

Please note that on Monday, October 21, St. Julia Church will be used as a poling place for the Federal Election. This will not impact any scheduled Parish activities.

2019-2020 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

...are still available in the Narthex of the church. Envelopes are arranged in numerical order. Please refer to the alphabetical listing to find your envelope number. Kindly contact the office if you do not see your name on the list. For the next few weeks, we ask that you write your name on your envelope to ensure accuracy of our records.

Thank you for your continued support of our parish.



ST JULIA CWL ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 2020-2021!

In the next two weeks bulletins, the postings will be available for all positions for the new executive. We welcome and encourage all members to come forward and offer their talents. No experience is needed! Stay tuned!



St Vincent de Paul Society

S.V.D.P, would like to sincerely thank you for your ongoing support. Envelopes are available should you wish a tax receipt. S.V.D.P. members hold the collection boxes and the envelopes after each Mass. A bin is available for donating non -perishable food.

Many are thankful for your help!

WELLAND KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL

#2146 will be celebrating their 100th Anniversary in June 2020 and would appreciate it if anyone has any photos, memorabilia or stories they could share with their Council. Contact Patrick Rothwell, Grand Knight, Council #2146 Welland, 905-732-9475.

SERRA CLUB TRIVIA NIGHT

...in support of seminarians, diaconate & religious in the Diocese of St. Catharines, Friday, October 25, 2019, St. Alfred Church, St. Catharines. Contact Kate at 905-407-3994, Patrick at 416-948-3969 or email serraclubstc@gmail.com. Table \$20/Ticket. Doors open at 6pm; Dinner 6:30pm; Trivia 7pm.

Liturgical 1	Ministries	October 26—28, 2019		
	5:00 pm	9:00 am	11:00 am	
Eucharistic Ministers	D. Jeynes R. Stasiak L. McEwen	L. Gilmore M. Hancock L. Kwarta	A. Gregoire G. DiFrancesco M. Dugo	
Readers	T. Farrell D. Easingwood		A.M. Stockwell D. Smolders	

Counters: L. Salfi (October 28)