

# Twenty-Second Sunday of Ordinary Time

September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024 ~ Liturgical Year B

## Mass Intentions

✠ September 1<sup>st</sup> to September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Monday.....NO MASS.....Sept 2<sup>nd</sup>

Tuesday....**St. Gregory The Great, Pope, Doctor**..... Sept 3<sup>rd</sup>

8:00 am ✠ Len Devine (by Joanie Devine)

✠ Victor Nardangeli (by Wife Lea & Family)

Wednesday.....Sept 4<sup>h</sup>

8:00 am ✠ Corena & Mario Cecchini (by Family)

✠ For all the Souls in Purgatory (by Mary Cody)

Thursday.....Sept 5<sup>th</sup>

8:00 am ✠ Pepito Pineda (by Romeo & Teresa Feliciano)

✠ Conchita Pineda (by Romeo & Teresa Feliciano)

Friday.....Sept 6<sup>th</sup>

8:00 am ♥ For the Special Intention of Fr. Janusz Roginski  
(by Mark Brennan)

♥ For the Special Intention of Ludgi Pio Sylvain  
(by Mom)

6:30 pm ♥♥♥ In Honour of The Sacred Heart of Jesus ♥♥♥

Saturday.....Sept 7<sup>th</sup>

8:00 am ✠ Alora Alcantare, Aunt of Sr. Zelerina  
(by Catechist Sisters)

✠ Marcellino Pozzobon  
(by Laura Pozzobon & Family)

5:00 pm ✠ Constantino Afonso (by Maria Afonso)

✠ Rosa Meffe (by Catechist Sisters)

✠ Lucia Micoli (by Assunta Chiesa)

✠ Elizabeth Marie Longo (by Marie Jane & Bob

Rose)

Sunday...**Twenty-Third Sunday in ordinary Time**...Sept 8<sup>th</sup>

8:00 am ♥ ✠ For The People of Holy Rosary Parish

9:30 am ✠ John & Frances McNeil (by Joanie Devine)

✠ Maria Ricciuto (by Bernice & Tony Conte)

11:00 am ✠ Giuseppe Marcone (by Maria Marcone )

✠ Nunzio & Annunziata Venditti (by Maria venditti)



**SANCTUARY LAMP:** This weekly Sanctuary Lamp is donated in memory of **Mario & Lina Lanese**. The Sanctuary lamp is lit to remind us of Christ's presence in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar.

## Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for the Month of September

### FOR THE CRY OF THE EARTH:

*We pray that each one of us will hear and take to heart the cry of the Earth and of the victims of natural disasters and climactic change, and that all will undertake to personally care for the world in which we live.*

**WELCOME** We welcome, with great joy, our newly baptized **Val Rafael Araque** who joined our Parish family on August 25<sup>th</sup>, 2024. May God bless this new member and his family as he lives as followers of Jesus Christ



**Condolences:** We sincerely extended our condolences and prayers to the family and friends who mourn the loss of: **Leno Luigi Mauro**. Eternal rest grants unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him and let the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. **Amen!**

## The Rules or the Game?

*"This people honours me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me."*

Dear Family in Christ,

I've got a question: which is more important- the commandments of God, or being like Jesus? Perhaps an example can help us answer this question- or even ask a *better* question.

I love hockey. Playing or watching, I don't find myself constantly thinking about every single rule in the book, nor do I passionately celebrate when the rules are followed perfectly- that would be strange. However, I know the rules are important. Imagine, for instance, if the rule against high-sticking were removed- or if there were no nets, or boards, or time-limits. The game would quickly become unsafe, pointless, and ultimately lose its beauty.

In a similar manner, when we consider a holy person, what strikes us is not how perfectly they follow the commandments. It's that they in some way reflect the love of Jesus by their likeness to Him.

In today's Gospel (Mark 7), Jesus condemns the way the Pharisees follow the commands of the law without allowing their hearts to be transformed from within. You'll notice He doesn't condemn or abolish *the law*, but rather the disconnecting of the law from its purpose: to help people become holy.

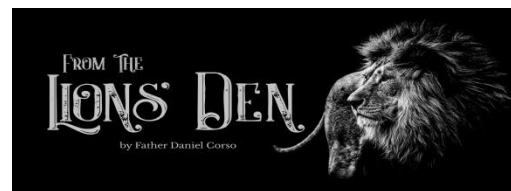
Here's the point: one could memorize the rule book, but without practice one could not become a good player. Similarly, one could know all there is to know *about* Jesus, but remain quite unlike Him.

The rules, laws, and commandments, while not the be-all and end-all, provide the necessary framework, the path, which makes beauty and holiness possible. By practicing our faith, in obedience to God's commandments and receiving His grace through the Sacraments, we are day-by-day transformed from within, to be like Him.

So which is more important- the rules, or the game? Hopefully by now it's clear that the two are not in competition. There are better questions to be asked:

Do I trust God enough to keep His commandments, or do I try to make my own way? In following God's commandments, do I allow and depend on God's grace to transform me from within, or is my practice of the faith merely external?

God love you,



Father Corso

*This week Bulletin is dedicated in Memory of Deacon John Gillespie  
Let perpetual light shine upon him O Lord and let his soul rest in peace. Amen.*

22<sup>nd</sup> DOMENICA DEL TEMPO ORDINARIO (B)  
1 SETTEMBRE 2024

*Gesù, non lasciarci chiusi nel nostro egoismo, ma rendici persone aperte, capaci di amare. Dacci la fede necessaria ad aver fiducia nella bontà nonostante la nostra debolezza. Mostraci quello che ciascuno di noi può fare per avvicinare la venuta del giorno della pace universale.*

Frank Borman



The popular monthly **beef-on-a-bun** returns in September and is held on the **second Thursday of each month**. The format is takeout only. Beef on a bun, coleslaw and roasted potatoes for only \$12.

See you on **September 12th!**

**The Annual Harvest Fest** is Saturday September 7th at the Thorold Community Activities Group, Basciano Centre on Richmond St. 9:00am-4:00pm. Craft show, food and drinks, fun activities for families and raffle prizes. Great deal on potted mums.

Welcome Back!

**Holy Rosary Catholic Women's League**

**Reminder:**

Our regular monthly meeting will take place on

**Tuesday, September 10 at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall.**



We would like to invite you to a series of financial wellness workshops. They will be held on **Thursdays - October 24th, November 7th, and November 21st at 7pm, in the parish hall.** Each workshop will build on the knowledge acquired from the previous one, so we encourage you to attend all. For more information, please contact James Simoni at [jsimoni@gmail.com](mailto:jsimoni@gmail.com)

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**Secular Franciscan members** meet once a month for prayer, formation and **sharing about the Catholic faith. They come from many walks of life, laity, clergy, religious, married, single.** If you are interested in

knowing more about becoming a member, please contact Debbie at: [deborahessier57@gmail.com](mailto:deborahessier57@gmail.com).

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**Music Ministry Fall 2024**

Singers and Musicians are welcome to join Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Music Ministry this season!

We have a drum kit, percussion instruments, piano and organ as well. Training in playing liturgical music will be provided. Members of all ages are welcome to join the choir that will sing at the 11 am Mass on Sundays, with rehearsals on Tuesday evenings at 7 pm in the choir loft **beginning Tuesday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024.** If you would like to help lead some of the singing at Mass, please contact Debbie for information at 905-734-3053.

**Niagara Men's Schola:** This is a group of men who sing for various liturgies and events throughout the Diocese, including at Our Lady of the Holy Rosary. The choir meets for rehearsals on Wednesday evenings at 7 pm in the choir loft at Our Lady of the Holy Rosary, **beginning on Wednesday September 4<sup>th</sup>.**



**Life in Christ Seminar**

Live Christ, Share Christ Mission would like to invite you to a **Life in**

**Christ Seminar** which will be on Saturdays, **Sept. 28th and Oct. 5th from 9:30am-3:30pm in the Parish Hall.**

Live Christ Seminar is a Catholic renewal based in the parish intended for Catholics to meet Christ, to live Christ and to share Christ. This is an urgent response to our Church's call to the New Evangelization especially when the assault on faith, family, and life is in full force.

The question would be: When the Lord Jesus returns, will He find faith on earth?

With the guidance of our priests Fr. Janusz, Fr. Daniel, and Fr. Aji, who will be the speakers during the seminar, it will definitely be an inspiring and spirit-filled event.

Hence, together with them and the entire LCS Team, we are inviting all of you to 'Come and See'. Refreshments and Lunches are provided free of charge.

**THANK YOU:** The Feast of The Assumption Committee wishes to thank all parishioners and friends that attend our recent celebration. Your Participation at the Triduum, Mass and Feast of the Assumption of The Blessed Virgin Mary into Heaven was a big success. Thank you and God Bless.

Carole Jamieson

