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*Give thanks to the Lord for  
His many Blessings  
On Thanksgiving*

**GIVE THANKS TO THE LORD AND TO YOUR NEIGHBOURS**

In a world of such busy time, with so many distractions and, in a way, very selfish culture, to have the time to be aware of the gifts received from God and from our neighbours, is truly a need, a special duty to show our gratitude. The old generation certainly are aware of this reality, but the young generation so much in the turbulence of the digital world are not aware of this need. For many of our youngsters, gifts are not considered to be acknowledged...some feel it is their right, they deserve them, in extreme cases, they may tell you that they did not ask to be born...

For many of us to express our gratitude is our moral duty and not because a holy day destined for it.

As we give thanks to God for his wonderful mercy and grace, let us remember to express our gratitude in the following ways:

1. Worshipping God with Reverence and Awe
2. Praying and Giving Thanks
3. Encouraging One Another in Gentle Words
4. Living Every Moment Serving Christ and our Neighbour with Gratitude
5. Tell Others What Our Great God Has Done for us and for those around us.

**2025 SACRAMENTS**

All children who wish to receive the Sacrament of Holy First Communion (Grade 2+) and Confirmation (Grade 7+) are required to attend catechism classes facilitated by our parish. For the parents/guardians who were not able to attend the Information & Registration Night, we would ask that you bring the following to the parish office:

1. Registration Form
2. Your child's baptismal certificate
3. Sponsor's confirmation certificate (for confirmandi only)
4. \$50.00 for the registration fee

*(payable by cheque or cash as we have no means to process a debit or credit card)*

Kindly note that if you and your families are not registered parishioners, have no affiliation, and/or do not reside within the immediate boundaries of our church, a letter of permission is required from your home parish to allow the sacrament to be celebrated in our church.

**REGISTRATION FOR OUR SACRAMENT PROGRAMS WILL ONLY BE OPEN UNTIL OCTOBER 31, 2024. WE WILL NOT BE ACCEPTING ANY LATE REGISTRATION.**



**WEDDING BANN**

THERE IS A PROMISE OF MARRIAGE BETWEEN:

**Keysha Stuurman & Nicholas Biancofiore**

*"And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them together in perfect unity." Colossians 3:14*

**THE ASSUMPTION OF MARY AND THE HOLY EUCHARIST**



There's a close relationship between the mystery of the Holy Eucharist and the mystery of the Mother of God which sheds light on her Assumption into heaven. "The bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh." Our Lord, the bread of life, is the eternal Word made flesh. "The Word became flesh," St. John tells us right at the beginning of his Gospel. This greatest of

mysteries, by far the most staggering and momentous miracle that has ever occurred, the single greatest thing that God has ever done — the eternal, infinite, pure Spirit that is the Divine Nature joining to himself our frail, fragile bodily nature, our DNA and chromosomes, our cells and fluids, tissues and organs and systems — this mystery of mysteries, that we call the Incarnation, took place within Mary's body. Not only within her body, but from her body. Like every other unborn child, Jesus' flesh was knit together in his mother's womb from substance taken from Mary's own body. The flesh that hung on the cross for our salvation, the flesh and blood given to us to eat and drink in the Eucharist, took substance within and from the body of the Blessed Virgin Mary. (National Catholic Register)

**CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE**

The CWL will host a "Fall Tea" in our Parish Hall on Sunday October 20<sup>th</sup> from 2:00pm – 4:00pm. The cost is \$25.00 for adults & \$10.00 for children 12 years old & under. Tickets are now available in the Parish Office, a display of "All Things Tea" & door prizes. Come enjoy an afternoon of delicious food & fun with family & friends.

*The CWL is looking for donation of fancy Teacups to maintain the beautiful place settings at our Family Fall Tea. Your donations of porcelain can be left in the Parish Office.*

**NEW PROGRAMS**

Our Parish is looking for young people who have already made their Holy Communion to come and serve on the altar at one Mass over the weekend. This great service can only bring blessings on the whole family. See Sr. Patricia at the entrance of the church after Mass.

We are initiating a **new** youth group. We are inviting young people grade 7 through high school to join us on **Friday, November 1<sup>st</sup> at 6:30 pm** in the parish hall. There is always fun, a chance for new friends, know how to live and experience our Faith more fully and of course, food.

**PRAY FOR THE DEPARTED SOULS**

May the souls of the departed rest in peace:

**Tommasina Grella**



## DOMENICA DELLA GRATIFUDINE

La gratitudine è anche fondamentale per la vita comunitaria. Nella celebrazione dell'Eucaristia, i cristiani si riuniscono come una comunità, ringraziando Dio insieme e ricevendo la sua grazia. Questo ci ricorda che la fede non è un'esperienza solitaria, ma un cammino condiviso con gli altri membri della Chiesa. La gratitudine ci spinge a riconoscere i doni che gli altri membri della comunità ci offrono, come il loro supporto, la loro preghiera e il loro esempio di fede.

In sintesi, l'Eucaristia ci invita a vivere la vita in modo grato, riconoscendo la generosità di Dio e dei nostri fratelli e sorelle nella fede. La gratitudine è la risposta appropriata alla presenza di Cristo nell'Eucaristia e alla comunione con lui e con gli altri membri della Chiesa. La pratica della gratitudine ci aiuta a vivere la vita con una prospettiva positiva, apprezzando i doni che ci sono stati dati e trasmettendo questa gratitudine agli altri.

## GOOD SHEPHERD THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

Good Shepherd with the help of the Knights of Columbus, is holding the annual Thanksgiving food drive this weekend. We need your support to help provide meals for homeless and at-risk individuals in our community. Please drop off your donation of canned goods and non-perishable items by the designated area of our altar. Items needed: tuna, canned meat, canned tomatoes, tomato sauce, beans, chickpeas, soup, stews, canned corn, cereal, granola bars, jams, mayo, mustard, peanut butter, tea bags, coffee and rice.



## PARISH HEADCOUNT

The Archdiocese is requesting our participation in its annual parishioner attendance survey for all parish and mission communities, on the weekend of October 19<sup>th</sup>/20<sup>th</sup> and October 26<sup>th</sup>/27<sup>th</sup>. Thank you.

## WORLD MISSION SUNDAY COLLECTION

There will be a collection on October 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> for the Evangelization of the Nations, otherwise known as World Mission Sunday. This is a worldwide collection for the missionary church and it is our opportunity to assist at-need Catholic Communities globally.

## PARISH OFFICE CLOSURE

We would like to wish everyone a bounty of blessings on this Thanksgiving holiday long weekend. The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, October 14<sup>th</sup> and will reopen on Tuesday, October 15<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am.

## MASS INTENTIONS & LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

### INTENZIONI DI MESSA E PROGRAMMA LITURGICO

- Sunday October 13** Twenty-Eight Sunday in Ordinary Time, World  
 7:45 am All living & deceased members of our Parish  
 9:00 am †Gaetana Di Leo, †Fiore Colagiacomo, †Vincenza DeSantis  
 10:30 am †Oksana Bilak, †Emily Narvaez, †Deceased Members of Raimundo & Sa families, †Souls in Purgatory, Special Blessing: Tony & Ivete Pinto  
 12:00 pm †Neyla Vargas, †Fidel Sierra, †Julie & †Biko Patel, †Marie & Kevin Fernandes  
 7:00 pm †Charles & Joan Kelly, †Gawhara Nalbandian  
 8:00 pm Adoration (with ½ hour Meditation)
- Monday October 14** Saint Callistus I, Pope & Martyr / Thanksgiving Day  
 9:30 am †Mary & Kenneth Falzon, †Natasha Raciopa, A Special Blessing for Anthony Falzon
- Tuesday October 15** Saint Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church  
 9:30 am †Matthew & Wayne Dishart
- Wednesday October 16** Saint Hedwig, Saint Margaret Mary Aloccoque. Virgin  
 9:30 am †Darryl Welsh
- Thursday October 17** Saint Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr  
 9:30 am †Gianluigi Lijoi and A Special Blessing for Albina & Amanada Lijoi, †Sophia Coleman, Special Blessing for Liliana Arsenault
- Friday October 18** Saint Luke, Evangelist  
 9:30 am †John Sellner, †Manda G. Cabraja, †Mary & Kenneth Falzon, †Natasha Raciopa, A Special Blessing for Anthony Falzon
- Saturday October 19**  
 9:30 am †Acadio & Helena Xavier, A special healing for Manda Cabraja  
 3:30 pm Mass at Parkland Retirement Home  
 4:30 pm Confessions  
 5:30 pm †Sonny Clerkin, †Silvano Bertola, †Tony Reilly
- Sunday October 20** Twenty-Night Sunday in Ordinary Time  
 7:45 am All living & deceased members of our Parish  
 9:00 am †Augustino & Vincenza Valenza, †Arcangela Filangi, †Anna & Stella Trelle  
 10:30 am †Agnes Kamionka, †Bruno Marcoccia, †Carlo Campoli, †Fernanda And Charles Ciantar, †Emily Norvacz  
 12:00 pm †John & Lina Colosimo, †Ciriaco & Antonio Grieco, †Albert Debono, †Rosario & Caterina Notaro, †Carmelo Notaro  
 1:30 pm IGBO Mass  
 7:00 pm †Charles & Joan Kelly, †Gawhara Nalbandian, †James O'Farrell, †Vittorio Terzini  
 8:00 pm Adoration (with ½ hour Meditation)

## PRAY FOR THE SICK

Please remember the following people in your prayers:  
 Theresa Burns, Noemy Pereira, Clint Viegas, Lisa Petriglia, Samuel Cordeiro, Arthur Ruston, Raphael Colaco, Gianfranco, Dana McGrath, Roman J. Zakrajse, Phyllis C., Teresa Pirrello, Margaret Speciale, Joe Simardone, Margaret Ramjattan, Rosa Natale, Christina Vitale, Jose Vaz, Karen Radecky, Carla Chiulli, Luis Inting, Katherine Idzik, Domenico Loprevite, Ramon Ortiz, Maria Bellissimo, Jane Delgado, Ines Granda, Bonnie McGuire, Bernice DeGrace, Diana, Sabrina, Joseph Borgerding

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