
24th Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ September 17, 2023

SYMBOLON- THE CATHOLIC FAITH EXPLAINED VIDEO SERIES

We might be familiar with different aspects of the Catholic Faith, but how does it all fit together? And what difference does it make for our lives? Symbolon: The Catholic Faith Explained opens up the "big picture" of the Catholic faith in a way that helps us know it, live it, and articulate it to others.

This 5 week video series and discussion will be presented in the St. Mark room from 6:30 p.m.- 8:00 p.m. beginning Tuesday October 24th.

Weekly Topics will include:

Week 1- Oct 24th: The Journey of Faith & Divine Revelation

Week 2- Nov 1st: The Bible & The Story of Salvation

Week 3- Nov 8th: Who is Jesus? & The Paschal Mystery

Week 4- Nov 15th: The Holy Spirit & Why do I need the church

Week 5- Nov 22nd: Mary & the Saints & The Last Things

SAVE THE DATE

The weekend of September 23rd and 24th, 2023 The Religious Gift Store will be having their Annual END OF SUMMER SALE! located in St. Mark's Room after every MASS. We will have Statues, Prayer Cards, Medals, Children's Books, Books on the Saints, Crucifixes and Crosses, and so much more!

VOLUNTEERS

The Warehouse of Hope at 46 Broadway Ave. is looking for volunteers to help them make mats from the plastic milk bags for the Ukraine. These mats are used to sit and sleep on. They make the mats every Tuesday morning from 9am to 12 Noon. If you would like to come help with the mats or come to crochet items for the Ukraine you are welcome to show up or call the Warehouse of Hope at 905-646-7237

You are Invited....

On Tuesday October 17th at 7:00 p.m. we welcome Bishop Bergie as we celebrate the Investiture of Msgr Hugh Gibson as Chaplain of the Papal Household.

The evening will begin with the Investiture followed by a Mass of Thanksgiving .

All are welcome!

Reception to follow in the Pastoral Centre.

FIRST COMMUNION & RECONCILIATION

PARENT MEETING

WILL BE HELD ON

Tuesday September 19th

10:00 A.M. OR 6:30 P.M. IN THE CHURCH

Grade 2 - Public School Children

At St. Alfred we prepare the children within our parish for 1st Communion and 1st Reconciliation who are enrolled in the public school system. Parents, if your child is in grade 2 or higher and has not received First Communion or Reconciliation you **must** attend the meeting on **Tuesday Sept. 19 at 10:00 a.m. or 6:30 p.m.**

LIFE CHAIN

Join the annual LIFE CHAIN, 2023, St. Catharines, Lake & Carlton Sts., Sunday, October 1st., 2:30-3:30 pm. Please arrive by 2:15 pm., to register at one of the 3 tables, & pick up a sign. This is a one hour silent, prayerful witness for the sanctity of human life from conception to natural death. We pray that all woman will choose life for their child, & Canada will protect all it's citizens; born & unborn. Info., Rob & Jackie 905-646-4926.

Two other locations in the region are: Niagara Falls, 2:30-3:30 pm, on Lundys Lane at Highland Ave. & Lundys Lane at Prince Edward St. Welland, 2:30-3:30 pm, Niagara St., across from the Seaway Mall, between Woodlawn & Lancaster.

Daily Mass Intention

Mon	Sept 18	~ 8:00 a.m.	Mr. & Mrs. Dominador Abando/ Thanksgiving/ Peter Duc Nguyen
Tue	Sept 19	~ 8:00 a.m.	Mike Zorz/ Maria Grubic/ Paul Chuong Nguyen
Wed	Sept 20	~ 9:00 a.m.	Pasqualina Febbaro/ Aurelio Febbaro/ Maria Tiberio
Thur	Sept 21	~ 8:00 a.m.	Peggy Niven/ Cliff Dent/ Lina Memme
Fri	Sept 22	~ 8:00 a.m.	Patrick White/ George Hubbard/ Natale Pischedda
Sat	Sept 23	~ 8:30 a.m.	Domenico Papila/ Giovanni Trivieri/ Lorraine Powers
		~ 5:00 p.m.	Cesira DiZio/ Alessandro Castelli/ Deceased members of the Urquhart/ Doyle Families
Sun	Sept 24	~ 7:30 a.m.	Missa Pro Populo
		~ 9:30 a.m.	Franco DiPaola/ Mario DelPriore/ Frank Pennacchio
		~ 11:30 a.m.	Santo Greco/ Rachela Greco

ST. ALFRED PASTA DINNERS

**WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 27TH
4:30 P.M.-7:00 P.M.**

\$15 includes: pasta and 3 meatballs (choice of white or red sauce), salad, bun, dessert, unlimited coffee, tea, lemonade or ice tea or 1 can of pop

Is Your Child 7 or Older?

The "Rite of Christian Initiation of Children" is a program of initiation intended for children not baptized in the Catholic Tradition or baptized in another Faith Tradition, and who have attained the age of reason and are of catechetical age. **R.C.I.C.** at St. Alfred runs for 10 weeks. An information night will be held on **Monday, October 2 at 6:00 pm** in the Pastoral Centre. If you know a child who is 7 years or older and has not been baptized or was baptized in another Faith Tradition. Call the office @ 905-934-9703.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC OR DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO IS? R.C.I.A. - THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Each new Journey of Faith runs weekly from October to May with a celebration of the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and First Holy Eucharist) at the Easter Vigil Mass. For more information contact the parish office by phone 905- 934-9703 or by email office@stalfredcatholicchurch.ca

XXIV DOMENICA

TEMPO ORDINARIO

~17 settembre 2023

Sei invitato....

Martedì 17 ottobre alle 19:00 diamo il benvenuto a Mons. Bergie mentre celebriamo l'investitura di Mons. Hugh Gibson a Cappellano della Casa Pontificia. Tutti sono i benvenuti. Seguirà accoglienza nel Centro Pastorale.

Siete invitati a St. Alfred Pasta Dinner Mercoledì 27 settembre 2023 dalle 4:30 a 7:00 pm. Biglietti: Adulti \$ 15 , bambini 5-10 yrs \$7.

RITO DI INIZIAZIONE CRISTIANA

Il Rito di iniziazione cristiana per gli adulti e bambini che hanno ottenuto l'uso di ragione (7 anni in più) avrà inizio nella nostra parrocchia a ottobre. Gli interessati possono telefonare all'ufficio: 905-934-9703.

Domenica 24 settembre è la 25^a domenica ~ tempo ordinario A

SII FELICE

Quando pensi che tutto sia perso, è proprio quello il momento di ricominciare, raccogli ciò che di buono sei riuscito a creare e portalo con te, il resto lascialo. Vestiti di un sorriso e di tanta speranza allena il tuo cuore per le future battaglie e impara da quelle che tu chiami sconfitte. Ricorda, c'è un tempo per piangere e un tempo per sorridere, sempre se questo è il giorno della tua lacrima ricordati che domani si potrà trasformare in sorriso se tu lo vorrai.