

23RD SUNDAY ~ ORDINARY TIME ~ SEPTEMBER 10, 2023

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. All are welcome. Reception to follow in the Pastoral Centre.

Children's Liturgy

Children's Liturgy returns this Sunday at St. Alfred is held during the 11:30 a.m. Sunday Mass.

A Prayer for Priests

Praise to you, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
for in your infinite love.

You care for your people
by the ministry of priests.

May their faithful service
bring lasting good to your Church
and great happiness to them.
Help them to do what is right,
that by their teaching and living
we may grow in the knowledge of your
love.

As our priests instruct your people,
enlighten them with

The wisdom of Christ the Teacher.

As they preach your Word
and celebrate the sacraments,
sanctify them with

The holiness of Christ the High Priest.

As they face weakness, suffering
and discouragement,
strengthen them with

The grace of Christ the Life-Giver.

As they work for peace,
unity and healing in your Church,
uphold them with

The courage of Christ the Reconciler.

Giver of all good gifts,
make the ministry of our priests
a spiritual offering pleasing to you,
through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

+ Bishop John F. Kinney

Nativity of Our Lady Virgin Mary

This Tuesday evening September 12th everyone is welcome to come out at the outdoor Prayer Grotto for Rosary Circle, plus this Tuesday we will be celebrating the Nativity of Our Lady Virgin Mary with a special cake and refreshments. All are Welcome! Hope to see you there!



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

SPIRITUAL BOOK CLUB

Join us for lively discussions of inspirational books chosen to deepen our faith. The September book is Julian of Norwich, Matthew Fox. Meetings held the last Wednesday of the month. Next meeting is Wednesday, Sept. 27, 1:30 pm, St. Julia Church Meeting Room, St. Catharines. Information: Brenda at bcoleman@bell.net or 905 646-1995.

CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER NIAGARA

Are you interested in learning to pray in silence? We follow the teachings of St. John of the Cross and Fr. Thomas Keating. Meetings held the first and third Wednesday of each month on Zoom. Study book: The Cloud of Unknowing.

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Daily Mass Intention

Monday, September 11~ Sunday, September 17, 2023

Mon	Sept 11	~ 8:00 a.m.	Carmine DiPietro/ Special Intention/ Serena Spagnol
Tue	Sept 12	~ 8:00 a.m.	... Rosa Szostak/ Josephine Leone/ Phero Duc Nguyen
Wed	Sept 13	~ 9:00 a.m.	... Terry Valois/ Fiorenza Carboni/ Joseph Saranchuk
Thur	Sept 14	~ 8:00 a.m.	... Carmel Dube/ Alirio Rodriguez
Fri	Sept 15	~ 8:00 a.m.	... Henry Fernandes/ Leo McFarland/ Annette Anna Su Tran
Sat	Sept 16	~ 8:30 a.m.	Giovanni Milanovich/ Fr. J. A. Loftus/ Peter Phero Duke Nguyen ~ 5:00 p.m. . . Matteo Cirocco/ Domenic Cirello/ Alex Kemeter
Sun	Sept 17	~ 7:30 a.m.	... Missa Pro Popolo
		~ 9:30 a.m.	Franco DiPaola/Giovannina DiSanto/ Giuliano Timperio
		~ 11:30 a.m.	... Jorge Rodrigues/ Arminda Baia/ Jose Baia

Notre Dame College School 75th Anniversary

Notre Dame College School in Welland is hosting its 75th Anniversary Reunion on the September 30th weekend. If you are alumni staff or a student of Notre Dame please consider joining us for Reunion weekend events. For more detailed information please visit www.notredamecollege.ca

FIRST COMMUNION & RECONCILIATION

PARENT MEETING WILL BE HELD ON

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 19TH

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

If we pray we will Believe.

If we believe we will Love,

If we love we will Serve

- Mother Teresa

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.

XXIII DOMENICA

TEMPO ORDINARIO

10 SETTEMBRE 2023



«Se ti ascolterà avrai guadagnato
il tuo fratello»

~ Matteo 18:16

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.

Natività di Nostra Signora Vergine Maria

Questo martedì sera, 12 settembre, tutti sono invitati a uscire alla Grotta di preghiera all'aperto per il Circolo del Rosario, inoltre questo martedì celebreremo la Natività di Nostra Signora Vergine Maria con una torta speciale e un rinfresco. Tutti sono benvenuti! Spero di vedervi lì!

O Croce Gloriosa

Dai tuoi rami splendenti, o croce gloriosa, promana una luce vivissima che mi dà gioia, pace consolazione e riposo, mi proietta verso l'eternità che illumina le oscurità più recondite del più intimo dell'intimo di me stesso, che entra nel santuario del mio cuore dove Tu o Cristo vieni a dimorare.

Sento che questa luce gloriosa è come una stella dove brilla l'amore di Dio, voglio lasciarmi invadere, inondare da questa luce Sento che Tu o Cristo dall'alto di questa croce gloriosa sei come il sole che dà vita, i tuoi raggi illuminano questa notte come fosse pieno giorno I raggi di questo sole glorioso mi baciano, mi accarezzano teneramente. Non c'è più notte ; io anche se sono un verme e non un uomo, illuminato da questi raggi sono un po' conformato alla tua immagine, o Cristo Re della Gloria, potente in battaglia, mio Signore e padrone.

Grazie di quest'onore che mi concedi e di cui non sono degno Questa luce mi indica la via che da Betlemme passando per il deserto porta al calvario e da lì verso la Gerusalemme nuova, la Gerusalemme celeste, verso la vera vita, verso la vita eterna.

~ M.G. Verona