

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time - Oct. 3-4/2026



October 3 Saturday		
† Sid & Rose Weaver		8:00AM
For the needs of all Parishioners		4:00 PM
October 4- 27^h Sunday in Ordinary Time		
† Steve Czinege		9:00 AM
October 5 Monday		
† Teofil & Stanislaw Siudara		8:00 AM
October 6 Tuesday		
† Laurie Leon		6:30 PM
October 7 Wednesday		
† Elia Caira		8:30 AM
October 8 Thursday		
† Nan family		8:00 AM
October 9 Friday		
† Bob Saracino		8:00 AM
October 10 Saturday		
Blessings & Health for Josef & Mary van Ruyven on their 45 th Wedding Anniversary	8:00AM	
† Luigi Minervini	4:00 PM	
October 11- 28^h Sunday in Ordinary Time		
For the needs of all Parishioners		9:00 AM

Scholarship Program

Niagara Region Rite to Life is sponsoring a Scholarship Program for Grade 11 and 12 students across Canada. Applicants are required to submit an essay of 1,500 words dealing with the moral aspects of the development of Artificial Intelligence and specifically its impact on Pro-Life issues. They must obtain a teacher’s confirmation that the essay is free of plagiarism and AI generated material. They must also provide a substantial (one page) resume outlining their participation in school and community activities. The deadline for the submission of the essay is midnight Friday, October 16, 2026. For more information or to obtain an Application Form contact the Parish Office.

World Mission Sunday

On the weekend of October 17-18, a special collection will be taken up to support World Mission Sunday. The proceeds of this collection will fund the Church in 1,124 mission territories where it is young or facing persecution. Among the specific needs it supports are: Church Construction, Pastoral Care, Education, Healthcare and the Formation of Seminarians and Catechists. These communities cannot meet their own needs and rely upon our financial support and prayers

to exist. Together, we fulfill our baptismal call to share the Gospel and bring hope to all peoples.

Thanksgiving Food Drive

St. Therese of Lisieux Parish is holding a food drive for Thanksgiving to help those in our community who are facing food insecurity. Donations will be accepted until Wednesday, October 7 and can be dropped off in the bin at the doors of the Church. All donations will be forwarded to Port Cares for distribution to the needy. Please consider picking up a few non-perishable food items (pasta, canned vegetables or soup etc.) or toiletries (soap, toothpaste etc.) whenever you go shopping for groceries and donating them. Thank you.

Youth Gathering

A Youth Gathering run by NET Ministries for young people from Grades 6–12 will be held at St. Michael’s Parish (310 Central Ave., Fort Erie) on Saturday, November 7 from 10AM – 6PM. To register call 905-871-0692 or go to stmichaelfe.com.

CWL Meeting

The next meeting of the St. Therese of Lisieux Parish Catholic Women’s League will take place in the Parish Hall on Tuesday, October 6 starting 1:00 PM.

Youth Group

The next meeting of the St. Therese of Lisieux Parish Youth Group will occur in the Parish Hall on Sunday, October 18 starting at 10:00 AM. For information call Dorothy Murtaugh at 905-658-9579.

Finance Council

The following individuals have agreed to serve on the Parish Finance Council for a three year term: Paul Leon, John Sneek, Gillian Greenan and Tony Thomas. I would like to thank them for volunteering to take on this role. The purpose of the Finance Council is to help me better manage the finances of the Parish. Parishioners are welcome to express their concerns or suggestions to them so they can bring them to the Council meeting. While I have not set a date for it yet, the first meeting of the Council will take place soon.

Living Rosary

A Living Rosary will be offered in the Church on Tuesday, October 6 starting at 5:30 PM. Mass will be celebrated at 6:30 PM followed by a reception in the

Parish Hall. Volunteers are needed to bring up candles during the Living Rosary.

Rosary from Coast to Coast

The organization “Rosary Coast to Coast” is inviting Catholics across Canada to join together to pray the Rosary on Tuesday, October 13. Those in the Eastern Time Zone will be praying at 8:00 PM.

New Parish Website

We are in the process of constructing a new Parish Website. It will make it easier to find information about the Parish and its activities. It will also have links to other important Catholic websites. Work on the new website should be completed by Thanksgiving.

Separated and Divorced Ministry

The next meeting of the Diocesan Separated and Divorced Ministry Group will occur at Mount Carmel Spiritual Center (7020 Stanley Avenue, Niagara Falls) on Tuesday, October 13 from 7:00 until 9:00 PM. The topic to be discussed is “Loneliness”. For information call 905-356-4113 or 905-684-0154 or email separated and divorced @saintcd.com.

Father Basque Away

Father Basque will be away from Tuesday, October 13 until Thursday, October 29. Father John Vickers, a Holy Cross Father will be celebrating the weekend Masses. There will be no daily Mass during this time. Mass on October 13 will be at 8:00 AM and on October 30 at 6:30 PM

Dead Man Walking

Jesus Youth is hosting a three day Residential Retreat for young people ages 16 to 20 (Grade 11 to Second Year University) at Valley of the Mother of God Retreat Center in Orangeville on the weekend of October 16-18. For more information to register go to <https://dmw.jesusyouth.ca/register>.

Pastoral Council

The following individuals have agreed to serve on the Parish Pastoral Council for a three year term: Alba Farkas, Mary Van Ruyven and Dorothy Murtaugh. I would like to thank them for volunteering to take on this role. The purpose of the Pastoral Council is to help me identify the needs of the Parish and find ways to meet them. Parishioners are welcome to express their concerns or suggestions to them so they can bring them

to the Council meeting. While I have not set a date for it yet, the first meeting of the Council will take place soon. I also intend to add up to three additional members to the Council soon.

Knitting Club

The Knitting Club will meet in the Parish Hall on Wednesday, October 13 from 10AM–12PM. Anyone who is interested in learning how to knit or crochet is welcome to join it. For more information call Mary Van Ruyven at 905-668-9269.

Deceased Members Mass

A Mass for the deceased members of the Catholic Women’s League in the Diocese of St. Catharines will be celebrated at St. Mary’s Parish (94 Main Street South, Hagersville) on Saturday, October 17 starting at 1:00 PM. All members are invited to attend this Mass.

Book of Remembrance

A Book of Remembrance will be placed in front of the Altar throughout the month of November. To have the name of a deceased loved one included in the Book, write his/her name **NEATLY** on the envelope included in your Box of Envelopes or one at the back of the Church and drop it into the Collection or off at the Parish Office.

CWL Advent Retreat

The Diocesan Catholic Women’s League Advent Retreat will take place at Mount Carmel Spiritual Center (7020 Stanley Avenue, Niagara Falls) on Wednesday, November 25/Saturday, November 28 starting at 9:00 AM. The presenter this year is Fr. Paul MacNeil. For more information contact Mary Van Ruyven at 289-668-9269. Deadline to register is November 12.

K of C Meeting

The next meeting of Knights of Columbus Council #3732 will take place in the Parish Hall on Thursday October 15 starting at 7:00 PM.

Weekly Collection

September 26/27	Sunday Offering	\$ 1,938.00
	Needs of the Church	\$ 265.00
	E-transfer:	celineincarmel@gmail.com

Please remember to pray for all those who are suffering from the effects of war.

Confessions

Confessions are heard at St. Denis Parish (230 Lake Street, St. Catharines) every Monday to Friday starting at 8:00 PM. A different Priest will be available each evening. Confessions are also heard at St. Andrew’s Parish (4 St. Andrew’s Avenue, Welland) every Tuesday through Friday at 8:00 PM.