

LITURGIES

Saturday, January 16

"I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners."

♦ **Confessions 4:00 p.m. – 4:40 p.m.**
(in the Msgr. Maloney Room by appointment only)

Mass 5:00 p.m. – † Norma Zamora

Vocation Prayer – Rev. Thomas Manninezhath, C.M.I.

Sunday, January 17, SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

"The disciples of John came and saw where Jesus was staying..."

Mass 7:30 a.m. – † Albino Locche

Mass 9:00 a.m. – Missa Pro Populo, (For the People)

Mass 11:00 a.m. – † Andy Blew, † Vincenzo Castagna, † Cathie G. Astone, † Ivan Zver, † deceased members of the Ciullo Family, Int. of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Mother of Christ Community

Vocation Prayer – Rev. Zygmunt Baranowski

Tuesday, January 19

"The sabbath was made for people, and not people for the sabbath."

♦ **Confessions 6:00 p.m. – 6:40 p.m.**
(in the Msgr. Maloney Room by appointment only)

♦ **Our Lady of Perpetual Help Devotions 6:45 p.m.**

Mass 7:00 p.m. – † Maria Petrucci & DiMarzo Family,

Vocation Prayer – Rev. Sam Restivo, C.R.

Wednesday, January 20

"Is it lawful to do good on the sabbath?"

Mass at SJLC – Int of Tom Vukelic (Not public)

Vocation Prayer – Youth Ministers

Thursday, January 21, St. Agnes

"The unclean spirits shouted: 'You are the Son of God.'"

Mass 9:00 a.m. – † Sister Kathleen O'Neil

Vocation Prayer – † Rev. David Perrin

Friday, January 22, Saint Vincent Pallotti

"Jesus called the ones he wanted to be with him."

Mass 9:00 a.m. – † Kristina Macoretta

- Holy Hour with Benediction

(begins after Mass, confessions not available)

Vocation Prayer – Rev. Robert Bulbrook

Sunday Collection for December 2020 (dropped off)

Env. \$985.00

Sunday Collection for January 2021 (dropped off)

Env. 1170.00



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for your generosity!
Your **gift** and **attendance** truly matters.
It is the **life** and **future** for our parish!

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Please contact our Saint Vincent de Paul (SSVP) ministry for food vouchers, furniture or other in-need inquiries,

Phone: 226-208-6846 or Email: ssvpmary@gmail.com

Please notice that regular pastoral home visits are not possible at this time. Depending on circumstances, in an end-of-life situation, a visit might be permissible at home or hospital. It is the hospital that makes the decision and contacts a priest.

5 CATHOLIC BLOGS YOU SHOULD BE FOLLOWING

- 1 WORD ON FIRE BLOG**
WORDONFIRE.ORG/RESOURCES/BLOG
- 2 EMILY WILSON**
EMWILSONMUSIC.COM/BLOG
- 3 THE CATHOLIC GENTLEMAN**
CATHOLICGENTLEMAN.NET
- 4 ONE HAIL MARY AT A TIME**
ONEHAILMARYATATIME.COM
- 5 FINDING PHILOTHEA**
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CHURCH & OFFICE ARE CLOSED!

Please be reminded that all public weekend and weekday Holy Masses in our church have been suspended for the period of the provincial lockdown and until further notice. All reservations have been cancelled.

Funeral rites are allowed for 10 people only. We are not planning Baptisms now unless it is an emergency. Homecare and private home visits are not available. Hospital visits are permissible only in an emergency when authorised by the medical personnel.

The office remains closed for in-person visits, however for inquires you may call and leave us a voice message: 519-753-7316 or send an email: marybrantford@gmail.com. We post current updates on our website: www.marybrantford.com.

The Sacrament of Confirmation is postponed until it is safe to schedule a new date. We will keep in touch with candidates who have registered.

Holy Mass intentions are celebrated in a **private manner** as scheduled and posted in the bulletin.

It is ANYTHING but ORDINARY

If you think of the liturgical calendar as the "circle of life", the mystery of Christ unfolds. The significance and beauty of how Christ calls us to live our lives through him comes to light.

GREEN is the liturgical color of **Ordinary Time** that we find on priestly vestments and in our church decor. It is the color of life and hope.

Ordinary Time is divided into two time periods. Following the Baptism of our Lord is the first period, which continues until Ash Wednesday. Pentecost Sunday starts the second period of Ordinary Time, the longest liturgical season, as it continues until the Advent season begins again.

This is a time of conversion, maturation, and quiet growth. It comprises the longest time on the liturgical calendar when the faithful consider the fullness of Jesus' teachings and miracles while on this earth. One symbol often found in Ordinary Time is comprised of two fish and a basket of bread — symbolizing Jesus' "Loaves and the Fishes" miracle. (See Matthew 14: 13-21.) [...] There is a wonderful harmony between the mystery of Christ and the celebration of the Saints. Ordinary Time is a great time to explore the lives of the saints on their feast days. [from www.catechist.com by Donna Frasier]

WHO IS “THE ANGELIC DOCTOR”?

In the traditional designation “Doctor of the Church,” the term “doctor” refers, not to a physician (which is an historically recent meaning of that term), but to a teacher (the older meaning, derived from the Latin, as reflected in the title Ph.D., “Doctor of Philosophy”). Many of the outstanding Catholic teachers throughout Church history who have been named as “Doctors” (thirty-five of them) carry a special designation with reference to the content of their teaching or to their personal virtue.

St. Augustine, for example, is known as the “Doctor of Grace” because he was instrumental in developing the Church’s theology of grace. St. Albert, who wrote on nearly every subject—even the natural sciences—is known as the “Universal Doctor.” St. Bernard of Clairvaux is called the “Mellifluous Doctor” because of his eloquence, and St. Anthony of Padua is the “Evangelical Doctor” because of his burning desire to win souls for God. St. John of the Cross is called the “Mystical Doctor” because his work teaches about how to attain mystical union with God.

St. Thomas Aquinas (feast day, January 28th), is known as the “Angelic Doctor” (Latin, Doctor Angelicus), the “Angelic Thomas,” and the “Angel of the Schools.” According to Pope Benedict XVI, he was “called the Doctor Angelicus, perhaps because of his virtues, in particular the loftiness of his thought and purity of life.” In this light, Thomas and his teaching can be considered “angelic” in several regards.

First, as our guardian angels guide us to God, so Thomas’s theology leads us to God.

Second, Thomas’s wisdom is like that of the angels, seeing the whole of God’s truth as one in a single, unified vision.

Third, piety and purity are characteristic especially of angels, and Thomas was known for his personal piety and purity of heart.

Fourth, Thomas wrote more about the angels than any other Doctor.

Finally, we should note that St. Thomas is also called the “Common Doctor,” because his remarkable breadth and depth of learning made him the Doctor, not only of one specific field of theology, but of every field of theology.

[from <https://www.stcatherinercc.org/>]

MISSIONARIES KILLED in 2020

Twenty Catholic missionaries were killed across the world in 2020, the information service of the Pontifical Mission Societies said Wednesday.

Agenzia Fides reported Dec. 30 that those who lost their lives in service of the Church comprised eight priests, three religious women, one male religious, two seminarians, and six lay people.

As in previous years, the most deadly continents for Church workers were the Americas, where five priests and three lay people were killed this year, and Africa, where one priest, three female religious, one seminarian, and two lay people gave their lives.

The Vatican-based news agency, which was founded in 1927 and releases an annual list of murdered Church workers, explained that it used the term “missionary” to refer to “all the baptized engaged in the life of the Church who died in a violent way.” (from www.catholicnewsagency.com)

PRAYER for ST. GABRIEL PROTECTION

"Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil; May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; And do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and all evil spirits who wander through the world for the ruin of souls. Amen."

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Saturday, January 23

"People were saying of Jesus: 'He has lost his mind.'"

✦ **Confessions 4:00 p.m. – 4:40 p.m.**

(in the Msgr. Maloney Room by appointment only)

Mass 5:00 p.m. – Int. of the Macoretta Family

Vocation Prayer - Rev. Timothy Higgins

Sunday, January 24, THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"The kingdom of God has come: Repent and believe in the good news."

Mass 7:30 a.m. – No Intention

Mass 9:00 a.m. – † Joseph Nguyen Kim Tu, † Mafalda Tuori, † Lina D'Angelo, † Saverio & Teresa Muccilli

Mass 11:00 a.m. – Missa Pro Populo, (For the People)

Vocation Prayer – Rev. Lawrence Parent

Tuesday, January 26, St. Timothy and St. Titus

"Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother."

✦ **Confessions 6:00 p.m. – 6:40 p.m.**

(in the Msgr. Maloney Room by appointment only)

✦ **Our Lady of Perpetual Help Devotions 6:45 p.m.**

Mass 7:00 p.m. – † Ron Paul

Vocation Prayer – Rev. Pawel Stankiewicz

Wednesday, January 27

"A sower went out to sow."

Mass at SJLC – Special Int. for Lidia Makarska (Not public)

Vocation Prayer – Carmelites of Mary Immaculate (C.M.I.)

Thursday, January 28, St. Thomas Aquinas

"The measure you give will be the measure you get."

Mass 9:00 a.m. – † Souls in Purgatory

Vocation Prayer – Rev. Ronald Voisin

Friday, January 29

"Someone scatters seed on the ground, and it grows even while the sower is asleep."

Mass 9:00 a.m. – † Art Verbek

~~Holy Hour with Benediction~~

(begins after Mass, confessions not available)

Vocation Prayer – Rev. Meskel Abib Aibu, O.F.M.

Saturday, January 30

"Who is this, that the wind and the sea obey him?"

✦ **Confessions 4:00 p.m. – 4:40 p.m.**

(in the Msgr. Maloney Room by appointment only)

Mass 5:00 p.m. – † Mafalda Tuori

Vocation Prayer – Rev. Miro Grubisic, O.F.M.

Sunday, January 31, FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"They were all amazed: A new teaching...with authority."

Mass 7:30 a.m. - No Intention

Mass 9:00 a.m. – Missa Pro Populo, (For the People)

Mass 11:00 a.m. – † Vincenzo Martino, † Jose & Berta Feijo, † Carol Cunningham, † Peter & Josephine Mitchell, † Michael Diorio Jr.

Vocation Prayer – Very Rev. Msgr. Murraray Kroetsch

ACCORDING TO THE LEGEND

A young man while roaming the desert came across a spring of delicious crystal-clear water. The water was so sweet he filled his leather canteen so he could bring some back to a tribal elder who had been his teacher. After a four-day journey he presented the water to the old man who took a deep drink, smiled warmly and thanked his student lavishly for the sweet water. The young man returned to his village with a happy heart. Later, the teacher let another student taste the water. He spat it out, saying it was awful. It apparently had become stale because of the old leather container. The student challenged his teacher: "Master, the water was foul. Why did you pretend to like it?" The teacher replied, "You only tasted the water. I tasted the gift. The water was simply the container for an act of loving-kindness, and nothing could be sweeter."

*"By myself I can do nothing, with God I can do everything."
- St. Vincent Pallotti.*