

Iole Biamonte – by husband Sam & family

GOSPEL MESSAGE

To our request, Jesus asks us: My child, "What do you want me to do for you?" We human beings, most of the time, fail to see what is wrong with us. We all have our blind spots, some minor, some major. Like the blind Bartimaeus, we need to ask the Good Lord to regain the sight of our faith. Aware of our blindness, let us pray to the Lord saying: "Lord, let me see again!" MESSAGGIO DEL VANGELO

Gesù ci richiede: Figlio mio, "*Cosa vuoi che io faccia per te?*" Noi uomini, più delle volte, non riusciamo a capire cosa è che non va in noi. Tutti quanti abbiamo momenti oscuri, siano grandi che piccoli. Come il cieco Bartimeo, bisogno chiedere il Buon Dio, di riacquistare la vista della nostra fede. Consapevoli della nostra cecità, preghiamo il Signore dicendo: *"Signore, che io vedo di nuovo!"*

WEEKLY QUOTE

"Life with God is not immunity from difficulties, but peace in difficulties."

C.S. Lewis

Praying for the faithful departed

This week we will be celebrating the feasts of All Saints and All Souls - November 1^{st} and 2^{nd} . These feasts remind us of the unity of the Church on earth, in heaven, and in preparation for heaven. Jesus died and rose so that he might be Lord of the dead and the living. For this reason, at all the Mass celebrations in November, we will pray for the souls of your deceased loved ones.

Please submit the names for whom you wish Prayers and Masses offered. Envelopes for this purpose are still available at the entrances of the church. The names of your deceased loved ones will be included in a **Memory Book** which will then be placed on the Altar. Deadline for submission of names is **October 30th 2024.**

ST. ANN YOUTH MINISTRY

We are looking for youthful members of the parish, ages 12 and up, to begin the St. Ann's Youth Ministry. It will be a chance for the youth of the parish to build their faith community as well as form social contacts within the church. Please call the Parish Office between 9am and 12pm if you wish to register for this Ministry.

Ladies' Auxiliary's - BEEF on a BUN

This past **Thursday**, **October 24**th the *Ladies*' *Auxiliary Committee* hosted

a Beef on a Bun Dinner

The Committee would like to extend their sincere gratitude to all of you who came in support of our church, and a big expression of thanks to all the volunteers who contributed their time and effort for this event.

> LADIES' AUXILIARY MEETING This Monday – October 28th @ 6:00 New Members Welcome!

R.C.I.A. PROGRAM

We have received enquiries from persons who grew up in a Catholic environment but who were never baptized and/or never received any of the sacraments and who now yearn to explore the roots of Catholicism and who want to become active within the Catholic community. We are contemplating starting a RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) program in our Parish. If you are interested please contact the Parish Office at 905-358-9333.

Memorial Mass for the departed Parishioners & our Families in 2023/2024

Since November of last year St. Ann Parish celebrate "The Rite of Christian Burial" for 41 parishioners and/or friends. At the beginning of November, Friday – November 1st at 7:00pm we will celebrate a commemorative Mass for the repose of the souls of parishioners and friends who died between November 2023 – October 2024:

Nick Stranges – Richard Edmund Cassibo - Domenico Olivo - Nunzia Palomba – Valentina Merigliano – Efisia Orsini – Caroline Julia Bilotta – Maria Tavano – Alberto Antonio Addabbo – Carlo Joseph Bud Lorenzi – Bradley Harvey Ellison – Stella Maria Casucci – Giaconda Maria Merante – Luigino Maruca – Mabel Haughton King – Umberto Spinosa – Paul Joseph Aleo Federico 'Fred' Procopio – Pietro Benforte – Vincent Baldo – Gildo Luvison – Michael Covelli – Siro Manni - Raymond Thomas Dufour - Gladys Grace Marie Griffiths – Angelina Cerminara – Angelo Muraca – Marianna Formica - Curtis Leonard Whincop – Rocco 'Rick Rose' Maiuri – Bruno Valentino Cerasuolo – Rosina DeAngelis – George Olesevich – Ben Salvatore – Maria Visca – Rosa Meffe – John Robert Sweeting – Jack William Muraca – Luciano Artista – Maria **Bonadio** – **Betty** Ann Sorley

Family members can participate by bringing a single **flower offering** to the altar and placing a candle at the **Candle Altar**.

NOVEMBER 2nd -Victoria Lawn Cemetery

The Clergy of the Diocese will gather at the Priests's Plot at Victoria Lawn Cemetery (431 Queenston Street, St. Catharines), to remember all deceased priests and to pray as well for all the faithful of the Diocese who have gone to their eternal reward.

ORA DI GUARDIA - OCTOBER ROSARY

On Wednesday, October 30th the Ora di Guardia Group will gather in the church at 12:00 Noon to recite all 20 mysteries of the Rosary in Italian. All are welcome to join!

Monthly Parish Pasta Dinner

Thursday 7th November

from 4:30p.m. – 6:30p.m. Pasta, Meatballs, Salad, Bread/Butter, Dessert & Coffee Take-out Tickets Available

Adults - \$15.00 - Children (10 & Under) \$6.00 This PASTA NIGHT is being sponsored by Jody Covelli and Laurie Greco-Crocker In loving Memory of Michael Covelli

Coffee Weekend - 2 & 3 November

All parishioners and visitors are invited for light refreshments in the Church Hall after all the Masses next weekend – **November 2nd & 3rd**. Enjoy the company of your faith community and catch up with the events in the parish over coffee or tea. This Coffee Weekend is being sponsored by the **Fred and Flora Scordino** in loving memory of the **Vadacchino & Scordino families**.

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Catholic and Cultural Heritage Sites

Holy Year pilgrimage in 2025: May 12-23

Call or e-mail Ineke 905-988-1313 or <u>ibrinkman@dt.com</u> - An <u>Open House</u> will be held at St. Julia Church's Divinty Room on Wednesday 27^{th} November – 4:00pm for all interested parties.

LUMEN GENTIUM – at 60 Vatican II's Dogmatic Consitiution on the Church

"This Constitution, because of its central importance and its wealth of doctrine, probably deserves to be called the most imposing achievement of Vatican II" (Cardinal Avery Dulles). Coming in November, on three Thursdays (7,14,21), 11:00am – 1:30pm in the Davy St. parish hall, Fr. Peter Rowe is inviting all interested parishioners to revisit tis document, in a "user-friendly: approach. To assist in preparing well, please call or e-mail confirm attendance 905-468-7272 to or office@svdpparishnotl.ca a small fee will cover the cost of lunch and materials.

> TIME CHANGE – Sunday November 3rd FALL BACK – One Hour

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK & THE HOMEBOUND

Ronald Bennett, Angelina Cameli, Rita Cameli, Domenic Calabrese, Angelina DiRienzo, Maria DiRienzo, Beatriz Disch, Carmen & Maria Fabiani, Sam Fiore, Jenny Green, Agueda Maria Melo, Vincenzina Pascuzzi, Don Taddeo, Marianna Weber

NEW MASS TIME As of Saturday, November 2nd, the 5:00pm mass will be at 4:00pm