

## REFLECTION FOR THE DAY

The narrative in today's gospel reading is a powerful statement about the importance of forgiveness, about how far and deep our forgiveness must reach. When asked how often we should forgive someone who offends us, Jesus declares that our forgiveness should be limitless. "[Forgive] not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times." For Jesus, it isn't the offender, or the gravity and number of offenses we endure that are in question; it is our personal well-being that is at stake in forgiving others. Just as love tells us something about the condition of our souls, so does hatred, anger, and the hunger for revenge. Love effectively changes us, but so does lack of forgiveness.

Unlimited forgiveness, however, is not part of our upbringing and experience. We live in a society where lawsuits have become a mainstay. We have our limits; we can only take so much. We might be inclined to be forgiving once or perhaps twice, but "three strikes and you're out!"

The fact is, however, that being unforgiving puts us in a jail of our own making. Nobody suffers as much from nurtured resentments as the person who harbors them. Hatred consumes not the object of our scorn, but ourselves. A will and lack of forgiveness are not a statement of how much we have suffered at the hands of others, but a definition of how much we end up punishing ourselves.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Fridays at 6:00 pm.** Please join us.

Our deepest sympathy to family and friends of **Ronnie Yantha**. May his soul rest in peace.

**Church sweeping** will take place **Mon, Sept 18th after 10:00 am**. Volunteers are encouraged to come out.

**Rosary Society meeting on Mon, Sept 25th at 6:30 pm.** All members are encouraged to attend.

**St. Mary's Youth Group**, gathering on **Fri, Sept 29th from 7:30—9:30 pm** for students between the ages of **13 to 18**, beginning in the church. Please see notice on bulletin board for day schedule and upcoming dates. *Supervisor-Patrick Sullivan*

**Congratulations to Josephine Etmanskie**, winner of the 4th Parish Draw. The **5th draw** will be held on **Sun, Oct 15th, 2023** There are only **100 tickets printed** for the \$1,000 Raffle prize and each ticket sells for **\$20.00**. Tickets will be available after 5:00 pm Mass on **Sat, Sept 23rd** or contact Basil Borutski, Lorraine Coulter, Marilyn Glofcheskie, Krystna Kearney or Andrew Shulist.

You are **invited** to join us for **coffee** in the parish hall **after the 11:00 am Mass on Sundays**.

If you're looking for a religious article that is not on display, please drop off suggestion in the box located near the guest book and we will try our best to find something.

### *In your prayers remember:*



- \* Our sick and hospitalized
- \* Our elderly parishioners.
- \* All those at the manor, lodge and homebound.
- \* Our deceased family & friends.

We expect that a good number of parishioners will continue to wear masks, especially as attendance increases at our Masses. We encourage anyone who wishes to wear a mask to do so as their comfort is very important to all of us. Please self-monitor for any signs of illness, and to continue to avoid circumstances where you could transmit COVID-19 to others. **Masses will still be transmitted through the radio station 88.3 FM.**

**SCHEDULE OF MASSES—Sun, Sept 17th to Sun, Oct 1st**

**Sunday, September 17—24th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—*St. Robert Bellarmine***  
11:00 am (Polish/English) +**Stefania Kolakowska (9th Anniv)** (Son and Family)

**Monday, September 18—*St. Joseph of Cupertino, St. John Macias, St. Stanisław Kostka***  
10:00 am (Polish) **God's blessing to Fr. J. Wadolowski & thanksgiving for his Holy Service**  
(Parishioner)

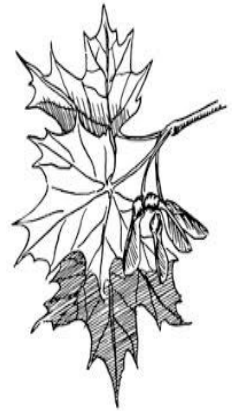
**Tuesday, September 19—No Mass—*St. Januarius***

**Wednesday, September 20—*St. Andrew Kim & Companions***  
7:00 pm (Polish / English) +**Ethel & John Connolly** (Doreen & Aponary Recoskie)  
+**Ronnie Yantha** (RoseRita Sernoskie & Norbert Brotton)

**Thursday, September 21—No Mass—*St. Matthew***

**Friday, September 22—*St. Thomas of Villanova***  
6:00 pm **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**  
7:00 pm +**Janina & Joseph Holub** (Gerard & Barbara Blank)  
+**Edward Lorbetskie** (Phyllis (Rozek) Lorbetskie & Family)

**Saturday, September 23—*St. Pio of Pietrelcina***  
5:00 pm +**Marcella (Anniv) & Vincent MacDonald** (Ray & Dorothy Smaglinskie)



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**Sunday, September 24—25th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—**  
*Blessed Emilie Tavernier-Gamelin, St. Pacific of San Severino*  
11:00 am (Polish/English) **For all of our parishioners**

**Monday, September 25—*St. Finbar, Sts. Cosmas & Damian***  
10:00 am (Polish) +**Jadwiga Wierzbicka, Cezary Wierzbicki, i Jerzy Wierzbicki** (Barbara)

**Tuesday, September 26—No Mass—*Canadian Martyrs***

**Wednesday, September 27—*St. Vincent de Paul***  
7:00 pm (Polish/English) +**Ambrose Blank** (Blank Family)  
**O pdzieci olziea olo Kościoła** (Bernadetta Zub)

**Thursday, September 28—No Mass—*St. Wenceslaus, St. Lawrence Ruiz & Companions***

**Friday, September 29—*Sts. Michael, Gabriel, Raphael, Our Lady, Undoer of Knots***  
6:00 pm **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**  
7:00 pm +**Peter & Doris Hudder** (Family)  
+**Alfie & Jean Stamplecoskie** (Stamplecoskie Family)

**Saturday, September 30—*St. Jerome***  
5:00 pm **For all of our parishioners**

**Sunday, October 1—26th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—*St. Therese of the Child Jesus***  
11:00 am (Polish/English) +**Julia Lorbetskie** (Bozena i Zbigniew Szymkow)

**Brudenell Fall Festival**, located at Our Lady of the Angels Parish hall, on **Sept 30, 2023 from 9 am– 4 pm**. Featuring a Homemade Harvest Soup lunch bar, bake sale, rummage sale, as well as games and activities for the children. Craft and vendor tables will be available for rent (\$20.00 adult \$10.00 youth). Free admission, lunch pricing is \$6.00 adults, \$5.00 for children. Cash only please.

## **DIOCESAN NEWS**

**Healing Service** with Eucharistic Adoration scheduled for **Wed, Sept 20<sup>th</sup> at St. John Chrysostom Parish, Arnprior.**

**Theology on Tap – BARRY’S BAY—Join us at 35 Casey St. Barry’s Bay, Fri, Sept. 22 at 7:30 p.m. Guest Speaker: Fred Duquette. Topic: Trans Athletes – A brave new world?** This is an initiative of the Family Life and Youth Ministry Office and is geared for those **age 19 – 49 (ish)**. Different guest speakers will be invited each month to give a talk on a variety of different topics relating to the Catholic Faith. There will be time for questions, discussion and socializing. For more information about the Barry’s Bay Theology on Tap contact Kenton Biffert at [kentonbiffert@gmail.com](mailto:kentonbiffert@gmail.com).

**Mass of Thanksgiving for the Episcopal Ministry of the Most Reverend Guy Desrochers, C.Ss.R. as the Ninth Bishop of Pembroke** will be held at the Cathedral of St. Columbkille, Pembroke, on **Wed, Oct 4th at 2:30 p.m.** A farewell reception will be held in the Cathedral Hall immediately after the Mass. All are welcome for this occasion to wish Archbishop-designate Desrochers well as he departs to assume his ministry in the Archdiocese of Moncton.

**Marriage Preparation Program: Online registration is available at <https://pembrokediocese.com/young-adult/marriage-and-family/>.** Registration Fee is **\$100.00/couple**. E-Transfer is now available via [donnabiggs@pembrokediocese.com](mailto:donnabiggs@pembrokediocese.com) or a cheque can be mailed to: Diocese of Pembroke – FLYMO – P.O Box 7, Renfrew St. Pembroke, ON K8A 6X1 along with this form filled out. Questions? Contact Yvette Bourque at (613) 585–6301 or [yvettebourque@pembrokediocese.com](mailto:yvettebourque@pembrokediocese.com) . **Forms available at back of church.**

**Fall:** St. James the Less Parish, Eganville on Sat, Oct 14, 2023 from 9:00-4:00 pm and second Sat, Oct 28th, 2023 from 9:00-4:00 pm. **Deadline to register for fall course is Oct 5th.**

**Winter:** St. Francis Xavier Parish, Renfrew on Sat, Mar 2, 2024 from 9:00-4:00 pm and second Sat, Mar 23, 2024 from 9:00-4:00 pm. Deadline to register is Feb 22nd.

**Spring:** Holy Name of Jesus Parish, Pembroke on Sat, Apr 6, 2024 from 9:00-4:00 pm and second Sat, Apr 20, 2024 from 9:00-4:00 pm. Deadline to register is Mar 21st.

**Theology of the Body for Teens by Ascension Press:** For all teens from age 14 – 19. Come learn what LOVE really is, why we were made male and female, how do we know what the truth is, what is our true value, what does God want to reveal to us about our bodies and so much more. **Saturdays Oct. 21, Nov. 18, Dec. 9 from 10 – 3:30 pm.** \$40 per participant includes student workbook and daily lunch. **\*Special parent session on Oct. 21, 10 a.m -12:30 p.m. Includes lunch. No cost\*.** Online registration and further details at [www.pembrokediocese.com](http://www.pembrokediocese.com) (front page) or register here <https://pembrokediocese.com/tobforteens/> Questions? Contact Yvette at [yvettebourque@pembrokediocese.com](mailto:yvettebourque@pembrokediocese.com).

<b>CHURCH ATTENDANCE:</b> Sat, Sept 2—76	Sun, Sept 3—118
Sat, Sept 9—70	Sun, Sept 10—132



## PARISH COLLECTIONS

Please use [stmaryswilno@gmail.com](mailto:stmaryswilno@gmail.com) when you are making an etransfer from your bank account. It will be directly deposited and the church will be notified. There is a section to make a note, **please indicate if donation is regular Sunday collection, building fund or In Memory Of (with name).** Also, if you are **not a parishioner, please provide mailing address there.** All donations will be recorded as usual, designated as per request, and will appear on the year end tax receipt.

We have envelopes with *In Memory Pamphlet* available for pick up at the funeral home or back of the church for **St. Mary's Building and Renovation Fund, St. Mary's and St. Stanislaus Koska cemeteries or Mass Offering.** Thank you for your continued support.

MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS	
Sat, Sept 16—5:00 pm	Rita Coulas
Sun, Sept 17—11:00 am	Catherine Bloskie / Andrzej Wielgosz
Sat, Sept 23—5:00 pm	Steve Platt
Sun, Sept 24—11:00 am	Len Gignac / Andrzej Suska
Sat, Sept 30—5:00 pm	Edwin Echavarry
Sun, Oct 1—11:00 am	Catherine Bloskie / Andrzej Wielgosz
Sat, Oct 7—5:00 pm	Ana & Tobias Sullivan
Sun, Oct 8—11:00 am	Len Gignac / Andrzej Suska

