

## 24rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Sept 17, 2023

**Sirach 27: 30-28.7**  
**Romans 14: 7-9**  
**Matthew 18: 21-35**

If God has forgiven each of us our debt, which was very great, we, too must forgive others the debt they owe us. Jesus teaches that one must forgive in order to be forgiven. If we do not forgive our fellow man we cannot expect God to forgive us. James says that judgment is without mercy to one who has shown no mercy (James 2:13). Mercy is truly a gift and it is offered in such a way that justice is not negated. Mercy "seasons" justice as "salt" seasons meat and gives it flavour. Mercy follows justice and perfects it. To pardon the unrepentant is not mercy but license. C.S. Lewis, a contemporary Christian author wrote: "Mercy will flower only when it grows in the crannies of the rock of Justice: transplanted to the marshlands of mere Humanitarianism, it becomes a man-eating weed, all the more dangerous because it is still called by the same name as the mountain variety." If we want mercy shown to us we must be ready to forgive others as God has forgiven us. Do you hold any grudge or resentment towards anyone?

"Lord, you have been kind and forgiving towards me. May I be merciful as you are merciful. Free me from all bitterness and resentment that I may truly forgive from the heart those who have caused me injury or grief." ~Don Schwager

### Children's Liturgy:

Will resume on **Sunday, September 24th** at the 10: 00 a.m. Mass. Children (4-7 years old) are welcome to attend

### Dates to Remember:

Parish Mission: **Sunday Dec. 3rd—**  
**Wednesday Dec. 6th**

### PARISH DIRECTORY

**Fr. Francis Pudicherry** - Parish Priest  
**Sandra Stewart** - Pastoral Council Chair  
**Jack Mallon** - Finance Council Chair  
**Gail Gibbons**- Liturgy Co-Ordinator  
**June Gaw** - Director of the RCIA & CWL President  
**Bernadette Bystrican**—Bookkeeper — **Tues. 9am-2pm**  
**Carole**--Secretary **Thurs.8:30-12:00**\*call or come in for Mass requests  
**Brian Mallon**— Knights of Columbus Leo Council #1130

## 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time Sept. 24, 2023 World Day of Migrants & Refugees

**Isaiah 55: 6-9**  
**Philippians 1: 20-24, 27**  
**Matthew 20: 1-16**

God is generous in opening the doors of his kingdom to all who will enter, both those who have laboured a lifetime for him and those who come at the last hour. While the reward is the same, the motive for one's labour can make all the difference. Some work only for reward. They will only put as much effort in as they think they will get back. Others labour out of love and joy for the opportunity to work and to serve others. The Lord Jesus calls his disciples to serve God and neighbour – his heavenly kingdom and our earthly community – with generosity and joy. Do you perform your work and responsibilities with cheerfulness and diligence for the Lord's sake? And do you give generously to others, especially to those in need of your care and support?

"Lord, may I serve you and my neighbour with a glad and generous heart, not looking for how much I can get but rather looking for how much I can give."

~Don Schwager

### First Communion / Confirmation Information:

A meeting for all the parents who would like to have their children receive First Communion or Confirmation are requested to attend a short meeting on



**Tues. Oct 17 at 7 pm.**



In the church. Candidates for Confirmation are also requested to come along with their sponsors. Thank you.

### CHANGE OF DATE-A day of adoration and social:

**Friday October 13** will be a special day in our parish community. Following the 9 a.m. Mass, the Eucharist will be exposed for adoration until 5:30 p.m. At 5:30 we will have benediction and after the benediction there will be a parish social. A sign up sheet will be available at the entrance to the church.

### 2024 Church Envelopes:

will be issued soon. If you would like a set of envelopes (provided you aren't already holding a set) please contact the parish office at your earliest convenience. You are also encouraged to use the PAP (Pre-authorized payment) plan to reduce paper work. It is also an environmentally friendly way to avoid the envelope set.

**Catholic Action Centre:**

Fall, and winter preparations: please donate used men’s jackets and shoes to Catholic Action Centre. Many people in our city have need of warm clothing!! And we are also requesting used towels and bed sheets of all sizes, please donate during our open hours **Tuesdays Wednesdays and Thursdays from 9:30 in the morning to 3 PM.** You can find us at 129 East Miles St. phone 622-6139. Thank you for your generosity.

**Knights of Columbus Council 8602:**

is hosting a Fish Fry Take-Out Dinner at St Agnes Church on **Friday, September 22.** Tickets are \$20 per meal and must be purchased in advance of the dinner. Tickets are available at all of the Saturday/Sunday services at St Agnes Church (Sat 5pm and Sunday 9am, 11am and 7pm), as well as from the Parish Office which is open Tuesday thru Thursday. Meals will be available for pick-up on September 22 from 4:00 to 6:00pm. Proceeds from this event will help fund charitable donations from Council 8602 for the coming year. If there are any questions, please contact Greg Holm at (807) 358- 2202.

**2 Week Bulletin:**

The bulletin is being issued for two weeks due to secretary holidays.

**Office Closed:**

The office will be closed Thursday Sept 21 due to holidays. Apologies for any inconvenience.

**Meditation Prayer Group**

Mondays 7 p.m.—8 p.m.

\*summer & holidays excepted

**Sacrament of Baptism**

By Appointment

**Sacrament of Marriage**

Please notify the parish at least 1 year in advance

**Visits to the Sick**

Please call the parish office for visit or communion to the sick

**Reconciliation**

Is offered at Our Lady of Loretto 30 minutes before each weekday Mass, 4:00-4:30 pm on Saturday or by appointment.

**Bishop’s Diocesan Ministry Campaign 2023**

Our Lady of Loretto Goal—\$10,000

**Total—\$ 5,760. (57.6%)**

St. Mark’s Chapel Goal—\$4,000

**Total—\$1,050. (26.2%)**

**Thank you for your contributions.**

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

<b>Olga Cameron</b>	<b>Ray Dafoe</b>	<b>Donna Delvecchio</b>	<b>Garrett Galvin</b>	<b>Catalina Melnick</b>
<b>Dave Hayes</b>	<b>Betty Kruzick</b>	<b>Brian Morellato</b>	<b>Francis Morrison</b>	
<b>Dave Turmaine</b>	<b>Bob Van Natto</b>	<b>Joe &amp; Madeline Maselj</b>		

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEKS OF SEPT 19– OCT 1, 2023**



Tue. Sept. 19— Thurs. Sept 21  
 Fri. Sept. 22  
**Sat. Sept 23—OLOL** \*Memorial St. Pius of Pietrelcina  
**Sun. Sept 24—OLOL**  
 —**St. Mark’s**  
 Tue. Sept. 26 \*Feast-St.Jean De Brebeuf & St. Isacc Jogues  
 Wed. Sept. 27 \*Memorial-St.Vincent De Paul  
 Thur. Sept. 28  
 Fri. Sept. 29 \*Feast-St.Michael,St. Gabriel, St. Raphael Archangels  
**Sat. Sept 30—OLOL** \*Memorial-St. Jerome  
**Sun. Oct. 1— OLOL**  
 — **St. Mark’s**

**No Masses**  
 9:00 a.m.—+Paolo Palombo (George Darte & Staff)  
**5:00 p.m.—+Senja, Bill & John Faber (Rita Georgeson)**  
**10:00 a.m.—+Ivan, Ana & Joe Bene, Barica & Rosetta Kolic**  
**12:00 p.m.—Intentions of all parishioners**  
 9:00 a.m.— +Rosemary Turmaine (Gail Gibbons)  
 9:00 a.m.—+Anne MacLeod (George Darte & Staff)  
 9:00 a.m.—+Daryl Vaux (George Darte & Staff)  
 9:00 a.m.—+Roxanne Rinaldi (George Darte & Staff)  
**5:00 p.m.—Members of the OLOL/St.Mark’s CWL (CWL)**  
**10:00 a.m.—+Vittario D’orazio (George Darte & Staff)**  
**12:00 p.m.—Intentions of all parishioners**