SEPTEMBER 14[™]. 2025



THIS WEEKEND



Saturday, September 13th
4 pm ** People's Intention
Sunday September 14th
9 am + Findlay Family Souls
11 am ** Bob Fowler

SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Numbers 21: 4~9
Psalm 78: Do not forget the works of the Lord!
Second Reading: Philippians 2: 6~11
Gospel: John 3: 13~17

WELCOME BACK TO CHURCH!

If you are new or have been attending St. Joseph's or St. Anthony's and not sure if you are registered, please complete a registration form as soon as possible. The forms can be found on the bulletin board as you enter the church from the ramp door.

This is important as you *must be registered* if we are to have jurisdiction in matters of baptisms, weddings, funerals, letters of reference, income tax receipts, etc. Once you have filled it in, just drop the completed form into the collection basket.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Today we celebrate how Christ Jesus, the source of our life and salvation,

transformed all human suffering, by willingly accepting death on the cross.

In the **First Reading**, the people of Israel bring suffering upon themselves by losing faith on their long journey to deliverance from slavery. Moses is commanded to lift up a fiery serpent on a stick: all who turn to this symbol of salvation will be healed.

In John's **Gospel**, Jesus understands the suffering that he is being called to embrace. He foretells how he will be lifted up, just like the serpent in the wilderness, so that whoever turns towards him will have eternal life. He reminds us that he was not sent to condemn the world, but to save it.

As **Pilgrims of Hope** in this Jubilee year, we pray for all those who are persecuted or caught up in the injustice and horrors of war. May theirs and all suffering be transformed by the saving love of Christ.

ARCHDIOCESE

NEEDS OF THE CHURCH IN CANADA

The weekend of Sept. 27th & 28th
There will be a special second collection for
the Needs of the Canadian Church, aka
"Bishops' Collection". Your gifts are used
by the Canadian Conference of Catholic
Bishops (CCCB) to represent Canadian
Catholics in national and international
pastoral activity. There will be envelopes
available at the back of the churches.

PARISH COMMUNITY SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

NOTICE ~ to all parents of students in

Grades 2 & 3 AND Grades 7 & 8. Should you wish them to receive the Sacraments for **First Holy Communion** AND **Confirmation**, we are now accepting registration. Please contact the parish office ASAP to receive a form for your child.

Registration deadline is Wednesday October 1, 2025.

LADIES OF THE PARISH

The Ladies will reconvene on the 3rd Monday of each month. Due to the Fall Fair, our 1st meeting back will be on September 22nd @ 1:00pm and will meet in the rectory/office. All ladies are welcome and new members are encouraged to attend.

UPDATE ON HALL RENOVATIONS

At this time, the hall is not *quite* ready to occupy. We have been advised that the March 2025 ice storm has led to an "avalanche of insurance claims", but we expect within the next few weeks, the outstanding work will be completed, and kitchen equipment needs to be put back in its *proper* cupboards. This takes time and help!

Thank you for your patience!

ENGRAVED BRICK WALL FUNDRAISER



Coming Soon: Join our parish family in supporting this important fundraiser by purchasing an engraved brick plaque

commemorating your family or a deceased relative, for placement on our devotional brick wall, located in the parish hall. The purchase of a brick(s) will not only be a memorable means of recognition but will

also contribute to the financial well-being of our parish. This campaign initiative will support payment towards the parish promissory debt. Help preserve the legacy of your family in the parish AND receive a charitable tax receipt for your donation!

In the coming weeks, watch for posters and more information coming from our Finance Council.

Let's pay off our debt, one brick at a time!

MASS INTENTIONS

** living or + deceased.

September	Time	Mass for
Tues. 16 th	6:00 pm	+ Patricia Warwick
Wed. 17 th	6:00 pm	** Thanksgiving
Thursday 18th	9:15 am	** Thanksgiving
Friday 19 th	9:15 am	** Good health of
		the Maier Family
Saturday 20th	4:00 pm	** People's Intention
Sunday 21st	9:00 am	+ Adrian Pitt
	11:00 am	+ Jean Adams

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Bob Fowler, Helmut Krohmer, Jim Matt, Mary Porter and all those living in our local nursing homes, manors, in hospital and especially for all the sick of the parish.

Contact the parish office to have a name placed on the updated sick list.

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

Parish Promissory Note
(For the new hall)

Building Fund
Promissory Note
Weekend Collection

\$ 363,030.00

\$ 70.00

100.00

Thank you for your donations!