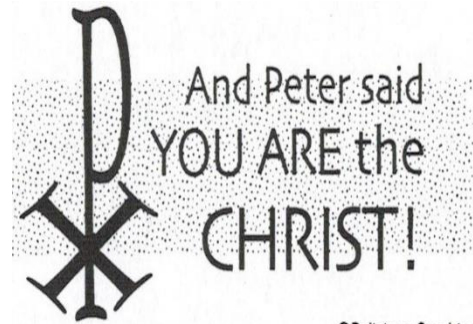


Parish Bulletin for 15 September 2024
Twenty Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Roman Catholic Parishes of
St. Anthony of Padua (Hungarian), 371 Burnell Street
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Blessing of the Graves: Sunday, September 29th, 2:00 PM at Green Acres Cemetery.

We will meet at the Holy Angels Mausoleum for prayers, and then blessings at the gravesites.

Sat. Sep 14 - 5:30pm SA - Sun Vigil Mass - RIP Ermelindo Jesus Carvalho & deceased relatives, req. by Maria Celeste Carvalho

Sun. Sep 15 - **Twenty Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:30am OL – RIP Cvetka Gržina, req. by OLL Ladies' Auxiliary

11:00am SA – RIP Frank Kilariski, req. by Elizabeth Takacs family

Mon. Sep 16 - NO MASS

Tue. Sep 17 - 5:00pm SA - RIP Ligaya Neisen & Edito Recuenco, req. by Felicidad Recuenco

Wed. Sep 18 - 10:00am OL - RIP Louise Jagodnik, req. by Milan Jagodnik family

Thu. Sep 19 - 9:00am SA - Sophia Pestaluky, Billy Chernako, Denia Lawrence, req. by Florence Casciano

Fri. Sep 20 - 10:00am OL - Thanksgiving: Bonifacio Genovea, req. by Gloria Dato

Sat. Sep 21 - 5:30pm SA - Sun Vigil Mass - Thanksgiving: Vincent & Lisa Rara, req. by Ranie & Carol Rara

Sun. Sep 22 - **Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:30am OL – RIP Louise Jagodnik, req. by Stanka and family

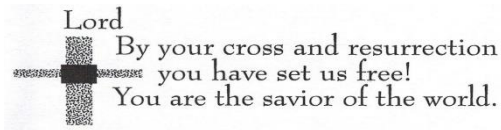
11:00am SA – RIP Daniel Patrick McGurran, req. by Georgina McGurran family

Please note: Mass schedules may be subject to change.

Thank you for your donations last weekend:

Our Lady of Lourdes (Slovenian) RC Church - \$2,580.00

St. Anthony of Padua (Hungarian) RC Church - \$1,490.00



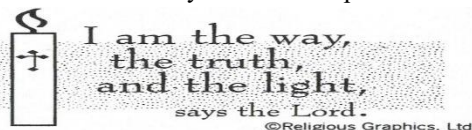
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Thank you for the flowers donated to beautify the sanctuary. We appreciate your kindness in enhancing our church celebrations.

“Were you there when they crucified my Lord?” We must carry a cross to remind us that we are responsible in part for the cross that Jesus carried. When Rembrandt [1606-1669] painted his famous work of the crucifixion called *“The Three Crosses”* which now hangs in the Louvre in Paris he did something most unusual. Among the faces in the crowd beneath the cross, he painted himself. That was his way of saying that he could not envision the crucifixion without admitting that he had a participation in it. Unfortunately, there are some who never see that. They identify with the Christ on the cross, rather than the Rembrandt in the crowd. –That haunting old African-American spiritual (1899) gives the refrain *“Were you there when they crucified my Lord?”* The emphasis is on the **you**. If we were to be perfectly honest, we would have to answer, *“Yes, I was there. Yes, I had a role in this.”* It is only as we come to that understanding that we can then sing the last part of the hymn: *“Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.”* I must so identify with the event of the crucifixion as to see myself in the story. It is not simply His story; it is our story as well. That is why Jesus challenges us in today’s Gospel [Mark 8.27-35] to take up our crosses and follow him. (Fr. Anthony Kadavil).

The Cross symbolizes Faith, Hope and Love: The people of Lithuania take their cross-bearing a little more seriously than we do. For them, the cross symbolizes *Faith, Hope, and Love*. There are crosses everywhere in the countryside, on roads, in city parks and village squares. Communities and individuals erect crosses to bring them health and to commemorate events like weddings, births and christenings. Crosses are also erected to commemorate historical events. One of these is the **Baltic Way**, in which millions of people linked hands stretching across the Baltics from Estonia to Lithuania on August 25, 1989. About 9 monuments commemorate this extraordinary event. The nation’s pride is the *Hill of Crosses*, located north of Siauliai. Lithuanians erected crosses there as early as the mid-19th century. The Soviet government couldn’t tolerate that kind of spiritual expression, so they totally destroyed the hill in 1961, then again in 1973 and 1975. But people kept erecting more crosses, until in 1980 their destruction stopped. Today the crosses number in the thousands. They are different sizes and shapes, some simple, some ornate, but they immortalize Lithuania’s troubles, misfortunes, joys, hope, love, and Faith. (<http://lithuanian-american.org/folklife/crosses.htm>) For the Lithuanian people, the cross is more than a symbol in the Church. It is symbol for the world to see, a symbol that will not go away. It is a symbol of sacrifice, a sacrifice that gives each and every one of us Hope and Faith and courage.

(Billy D. Strayhorn, At Cross Purposes).



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Dear Parishioners and Friends,

It is our pleasure to invite you and your family to the celebration of the 60th Anniversary of Our Lady of Lourdes Church. God has truly been faithful to our church family over the past 60 years and to mark this occasion we are planning a celebration to commemorate this milestone on Sunday, October 6, 2024.

The celebration will begin with Mass at 9:30 a.m., presided by His Excellency the Most Reverend Archbishop Richard Gagnon, who will also administer the Sacrament of Confirmation to five candidates, followed by a luncheon, fellowship, and program in the church hall.

Tickets for the luncheon are \$25.00 pp; children 12 and under - \$12.00; children 6 and under are free. Join us for a delicious meal of pork cutlets, cabbage rolls, mashed potatoes, meatballs and gravy, carrots in butter and basil, salad and dessert. Pop, water and coffee are included - a cash bar of wine and beer will also be available.

Pre-registration for the luncheon is required and reserved seating will be provided. To reserve your spot please email ollparishcouncil@gmail.com with the number of adults and children in your party, or contact any member of the Parish Council – Father Dado, Vera Slejko, Stephanie Casar, Sonia Stubler, Boris Poredos and Ricardo Medeiros. For catering purposes reservations must be made by Friday, September 27th.

Special guests will include His Excellency the Most Reverend Archbishop Richard Gagnon; His Excellency Andrej Gregor Rode, Ambassador to the Slovenian Consulate in Ottawa, and Mrs. Monika Rode; and Founding Father and original member of the very first Parish Council, Mr. Stane Vrsnik.

To commemorate this event, we will be preparing a slide presentation and ask that you submit photos of celebrations and momentous occasions that have taken place at OLL over the past 60 years – baptisms, weddings, anniversaries, etc. Photos can be emailed to ollparishcouncil@gmail.com.

Please share this invitation with family and friends. We would also like to thank those who have volunteered their time and services for this event.

Your presence would add to the joy of this occasion as we remember our past, celebrate our present, and embrace our future. We hope you can join us and look forward to hearing from you.

May God bless you and may God keep you,

Father Dado and OLL Parish Council

Please pray for our Candidates for Confirmation (October 6, 2024):

Ava Clapperton, Amalia Pimentel, Ryker Pimentel, Parker Pruden, and Casandra Ramos.

OUR LADY OF LOURDES, PRAY FOR US.

Ave Maria, Dominus tecum
Hail Mary, the Lord is with you

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