

## Parish Bulletin for 1 September 2024, Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 1: World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation

Roman Catholic Parishes of

**St. Anthony of Padua (Hungarian)**, 371 Burnell Street  
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Sat. Aug 31 - 5:30pm SA - Sun Vigil Mass - RIP Evaristo & Lourdes Tormon, req. by Ricky & Fatima Quezon family

Sun. Sep 1 - **Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:30am OL – RIP Tony & Pepca Brišnik, req. by Frances Pikel family

11:00am SA – RIP Odon & Remedios Tenorio, Ben Vicente, Rudy Ferrer, req. by Rey & Gloria Vicente

Mon. Sep 2 - NO MASS

Tue. Sep 3 - 3:00pm SA - Special intention: Angelita Maraña, req. by Ben & Millie Gonzaga

Wed. Sep 4 - 10:00am OL - Special intention: Ben Slupinski, req. by Flor & Lita de Guzman

Thu. Sep 5 - 9:00am SA - Special intention: Gerald Mulaire family, req. by Paul & Dolores Mulaire

Fri. Sep 6 - 10:00am OL - RIP Manuel Genovea, req. by Gloria Dato

Sat. Sep 7 - 5:30pm SA - Sun Vigil Mass - RIP Luisa Farias, req. by Lucy & family

Sun. Sep 8 - **Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:30am OL – RIP Milan & Family Dekleva, req. by Stanka and family

11:00am SA – RIP Sergio Dimaala, Purificacion Vicente, Ceferino Roan, req. by Rey & Gloria Vicente

*Please note: Mass schedules may be subject to change.*

*Thank you for your donations last weekend:*

Our Lady of Lourdes (Slovenian) RC Church - \$485.00

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

**Our Lady of Lourdes: Our 60th Anniversary Celebration** is fast approaching and we are reaching out to invite you to be an integral part of our event taking place on **Sunday, October 6th**. The celebration will begin with a Mass at 9:30 a.m., presided by His Excellency the Most Reverend Archbishop Richard Gagnon, who will also administer the Sacrament of Confirmation, followed by a luncheon and program in the church hall.

**Changing rules of the game:** One sport where the rules have occasionally been changed is volleyball. Volleyball is a well-established game with rules which are basically understood by everyone who plays. But many times, we would have children playing the game who were challenged either physically or mentally. In order to integrate these special children into the game of volleyball, it was necessary to change the standing rules or laws of the game. We would say that it was fair for the special children to catch and throw the ball instead of having to volley the ball. This enabled all of the children to be part of the game. — Jesus had a knack for constantly changing the rules of the game of life in order to incorporate a wider range of people in his Kingdom **“net.”** In our Gospel texts (Mark 7) Jesus was concerned that all of God’s children be welcomed in His Kingdom life. And Jesus would go so far as to change the rules and regulations and laws in order to integrate as many of God’s children as possible. The Pharisees and teachers used the law to exclude people from the kingdom. (Mark 7.1-5). This breaks the heart of Jesus to the point of remembering what Isaiah had written: *“These people honor Me with their words, but their heart is really far away from Me.”* Isaiah 29.13; Mark 7.6. [Fr. Tony Kadavil].

**Do we stand for God?** Centuries ago, in one of the Egyptian monasteries, a man came and asked to be admitted. The abbot told him that the chief rule was obedience, and the man promised to be patient on all occasions, even under excessive provocation. It chanced that the abbot was holding a dried-up willow stick in his hands; he forthwith fixed the dead stick into the earth and told the newcomer to water it until, against all rules of nature, it should once again become green. Obediently the new monk walked two miles every day to the river Nile to bring a vessel of water on his shoulders and water the dry stick. A year passed by and he was still faithful to his task, though very weary. Another year and still he toiled on. Well into the third year, he was still trudging to the river and back, still watering the stick, when suddenly it burst into life. — The green bush alive today is a living witness to the mighty virtues of obedience and faith. (F. Drinkwater in *Quotes and Anecdotes*; quoted by Fr. Botelho).

**White shoes in Summer:** There was an amusing incident several years ago when the Duchess of York, Sarah Ferguson, visited Houston, Texas. When the Duchess made her first public appearance in Houston, she wore a summer dress and matching white shoes. Now a summer dress can be appropriate attire in November in Texas, but every good Southern belle knows you don’t wear white shoes after Labor Day. It simply isn’t done. Fergie’s fashion faux pas caused an uproar. It was the hot topic on all the news shows and radio shows in Houston. Finally, the Duchess’ press secretary actually had to issue a press release explaining that *this custom was unheard of in England*. [Schwartz, Marilyn. *A Southern Belle Primer* (New York: Doubleday, 1991), p. 21.] — Some traditions are just plain silly, like expressing dismay at someone wearing white shoes in November. Others can be sinful, like washing your hands to demonstrate to others your piety, when really your heart is far from God. [Fr. Tony]

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](mailto: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](mailto: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

OUR LADY OF LOURDES, PRAY FOR US.

