

ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISHES of

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA (Hungarian) 371 Burnell St.
OUR LADY OF LOURDES (Slovenian) 95 MacDonald Ave.

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

January 26, 2020

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*The Lord is my light
and my salvation.*

[Psalm 27.1a]

Served by: **Rev. Diosdado Parrenas, Pastor**
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Sacrament of Penance (Confessions): Before the Weekday or Saturday PM Mass or upon request. *Sacrament of Baptism:* pre-arrangement in time to allow for preparation. *Marriage arrangements:* Please contact the Parish Office at least 6 months in advance.



Come, follow me, and I will make you fishers of people. [Matthew 4.19]

Life in God draws us into a diverse unity, not division.

In the Gospel, Jesus calls four men: Simon (Peter) and Andrew, James and John. Each of them sets down his net and follows Jesus. [Matthew 4]. By the time the second reading was written, people had begun to follow Jesus' first followers and they had preferences, as we all do!

Some of us prefer Pope Francis' witness while others loved Pope Benedict's theology. Some of us try to serve the poor as did Saint Teresa of Calcutta (Mother Teresa), at the same time others try to pray as did Mother Angelica. Saints and Popes, teachers and preachers all point us to Jesus.

<https://www.catholicculture.org/culture/liturgicalyear/calendar/day.cfm?date=2020-01-26> ↑

We need people of faith to teach and inspire us but, ultimately, we all follow Jesus. The diversity of charism, prayer, devotion, service, and practice in the Church needs to be held in unity. Otherwise, we give into the temptation to division, which detracts from our ability to participate in God's loving and healing the world.

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Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A, 26 January 2020

Reading 1: Isaiah 9.1-4; *Psalm* 27.1, 4, 13-14 [R.1a]

Reading 2: 1 Corinthians 1.10-13, 17-18; *Gospel:* Matthew 4.12-23

Prayer: *God, you have called your people by name and each images you in unique ways. Draw us to the saints living on earth and in heaven to help us along the way. Protect us from demonizing those whose methods and inspirations differ from our own. Draw us into a unity that celebrates diversity and transcends differences. Amen.*

ccb.ca/life_and_family CCCB: National Pastoral Initiative for Life & the Family

Events in and around the Archdiocese

Federal Consultation on "Medical Assistance in Dying (MAiD) Eligibility Criteria and Request Process"

January 20, 2020: <http://www.cccb.ca/site/eng/media-room/announcements/5199-federal-consultation-on-medical-assistance-in-dying-maid-eligibility-criteria-and-request-process>

About the Consultation

On Monday, 13 January 2020, the Government of Canada, through the Department of Justice, launched a two-week general public consultation on the expansion of eligibility criteria for euthanasia/assisted suicide (which the Government refers to as "Medical Assistance in Dying"/MAiD). This consultation follows the September 2019 Superior Court of Québec ruling which found it unconstitutional to limit access to MAiD only to individuals nearing the end of life and which gave the federal government the option to appeal the decision or amend legislation within six months. The Government of Canada chose not to appeal the Québec court ruling, but instead has indicated it would be prepared to change the law for the entire country.

The consultation targets one specific component of the legislation ("Eligibility Criteria") and is intended to help the Government form its response to the Québec ruling. The survey does not ask whether or not euthanasia/assisted-suicide should be expanded to include persons with disabilities, that instead is assumed. It concentrates on whether a person should be allowed to request euthanasia/assisted suicide by means of his or her own advance directives or whether the Government's current "safeguards" are sufficient to prevent abuse of or pressure on patients whose natural death is **not** reasonably foreseeable, such as individuals with mental health conditions or physical disabilities.

What Can I Do?

The consultation invites the public to share their views with the Government on the legislative changes under consideration regarding the expansion of eligibility criteria for euthanasia/assisted suicide. The consultation – available online or in PDF format – closes on **Monday, 27 January 2020, at 11:59 p.m. (PST)**.

***Online survey in English** <https://justice.sondage.ca/f/s.aspx?s=6E6210A5-E100-4201-A55D-CFB52ADA1C0C>

***PDF version in English** https://www.justice.gc.ca/eng/cons/ad-am/survey_maid_eng.pdf

The Catholic faithful may wish to note that while the survey already assumes that access to euthanasia/assisted suicide will be expanded, it still offers the opportunity in three sections to provide comments. In these sections, those who wish may voice opposition to euthanasia/assisted suicide, indicating any concerns they may have about:

- dissatisfaction with the assumption built into the survey that euthanasia/assisted suicide will be expanded;
- giving medical personnel the right to presume consent for vulnerable populations (including

minors, the depressed, the mentally ill, and the cognitively impaired);

- the inadequacy of the "safeguards" and the need to promote stronger ones; and
- the urgent need for viable alternatives to MAiD through more adequate government funding for palliative care, home care, and hospices.

For additional information on the opposition of Canada's Bishops prior to the passing of Bill C-14 (Medical Assistance in Dying) into law, please refer to the resources in **Euthanasia and Assisted Suicide**. <http://www.cccb.ca/site/eng/media-room/euthanasia-and-assisted-suicide>

For more information about palliative care, please refer to the CCCB's **submission to Health Canada for the consultation on a palliative care strategy for Canada**.

<http://www.cccb.ca/site/eng/media-room/announcements/4969-cccb-participates-in-health-canada-national-consultation-on-a-palliative-care-strategy-for-canada>

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OUR LADY OF LOURDES:

95 MacDonald Avenue
P.O. Box 2015 Station Main
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OL Collections Jan 19, 2020

13 Env - \$260; SGG - \$50

Thank you for your financial support of our Parish!

Sun 9:30 am (E)English; (S)Slovenian; (Euc) Eucharist; (PF)Prayers of the Faithful
Jan 26 Myranda Terry(E), Vladka Mohoric (S/Euc), Adam White (PF)

RCIC: Sunday, January 26, 1:00pm, hall. [Rite of Christian Initiation for Children].

CSCS: Membership Meeting, Sunday, February 16, 11:30am, in the church hall.

Assessment 2020: \$9,120.00

Collections reported for 2018 = \$56,979.00; Rate = 16%; Annual assessment for 2020 = \$9,120.00

Sharing God's Gift - 2020 Appeal Target: \$5,710.00

Thank you also to parishioners who donated through Pre-Authorized Payment [PAP] Program.

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA

Sat 5:30 pm

Jan 25 John de Leon (1), Delfina Marinelli (2)
Arianna Quezon & Duke Villafuerte (PF)

Sun 11:00 am (H) Hungarian, (E) English

Jan 26 Ilona Popesnyak (H), Jaime dela Cruz (E)

Funeral Mass: Saturday, February 1, 10:00am, RIP Steve Ecker, in the church.

Assessment 2020: \$10,740.00

Collections reported for 2018 = \$67,105.00; Rate = 16%; Annual assessment for 2020 = \$10,740.00

Sharing God's Gift - 2020 Appeal Target: \$6,730.00

Thank you also to parishioners who donated through Pre-Authorized Payment [PAP] Program.

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

**Our parish bulletin is also available online in the OLL website:
ourladyoflourdeswinnipeg.com and click on "Our Community" then "Weekly Bulletin".**

MASS SCHEDULE AND MASS INTENTIONS

Sat. Jan 25 - **5:30 pm SA** - *Sunday Vigil Mass* - RIP Conchita Palsis, req. by Palsis family

Sun. Jan 26 – **Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:30 am OL - RIP Anton Cusin, req. by Kimberley Houle & family

11:00 am SA – RIP Katalin & Norma Ferenczi, req. by Louis & Irene Ferenczi

Mon. Jan 27 - NO MASS

Tue. Jan 28 - 6:00 pm **OL** - RIP Fr. Josef Mejac and Fr. Cyril Carga, req. by a family

↑ Please note the change of time.

Wed. Jan 29 – 9:00 am **SA** – Special intention: Florence Casciano, req. by Paul & Dolores Mulaire

Thu. Jan 30 - 9:00am **SA** - Special intention, req. by Rod & Tess Layco

Fri Jan 31 – 10:00 am **OL** - Thanksgiving, req. by Balisi family

Sat. Feb 1 - **5:30 pm SA** - *Sunday Vigil Mass* - RIP Felicidad Cruz, req. by family

Sun. Feb 2 – **Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:30 am OL - RIP Deceased family members & All Souls, req. by Paul & Dolores Mulaire

11:00 am SA – RIP Matthew Bernatsky, req. by Aniko Bernatsky & family

OL – *Our Lady of Lourdes Church* **SA** – *Saint Anthony of Padua Church* **RIP** - *Rest In Peace*

The Gaza Project - Extended

[by Archbishop Richard Gagnon]

January 20, 2020 <https://www.archwinnipeg.ca/news.php#251>

The Gaza Strip - After leaving Gaza for Israel again, we soon discovered that the struggles, immense challenges and yes, successes of the amazing Catholic Community in Gaza, were to be repeated throughout the rest of the places our delegation visited in Palestine and Israel. The Catholic Schools are part of this in that they have been educating both Christian and Muslim Palestinians for a very long time and by doing so are building important bridges between these two communities.

They have no funding from taxes, they rely completely on fundraising and modest tuition fees, are poorly equipped yet it is arguable that they provide some of the best education anywhere in this region. Every year they educate thousands of young people, both Christian and Muslim, in an environment of respect for human dignity, love of God and good academic excellence. The Catholic ethos and moral framework permeate the daily life of these schools which come under the umbrella of the Latin Patriarchate in Jerusalem. All of this must be seen within the context of very real difficulties with the political system here, discrimination experienced from the powers that be

and a rising atmosphere of fundamentalism and hardline nationalism which makes little room for the weaker and powerless.

The Catholic Schools, like all the charitable institutions among the small Christian population here, see themselves as essential for the survival of the faith in the Holy Land, providing outreach to the greater society by providing witness to Jesus Christ. In what is called Palestine and Gaza, the Christians are now about 1%, where they were once 20% of the population. However, they provide about 40% of the social services in the region in spite of the difficulties listed above. We need to be aware of the great example of these Christians and to pray and support them as much as we are able.



"Myself with the local Orthodox Pastor in Taybeh. He has renovated a truly beautiful church which is one of the sights to see in Taybeh"
← Archbishop Gagnon