

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Whoever welcomes one such child...welcomes me."

MASSES THIS WEEK AT ST. MICHAEL'S

Psalter I -- Year B

MON. September 21 *St. Matthew*

12:05 pm **Special Intentions of PEG LEES**
--Friends of St. Michael's

TUES. September 22

9:45 am St. Mary's High School Mass at the school
12:05 pm † **JOAN ORIEL**
--John & Barbara Attley

WED. September 23 *St. Pio of Pietrelcina*

12:05 pm † **MARY WILLIAMS**
--Doris Walsh

THURS. September 24

9:30 am St. Joseph's School Mass in the Church
12:05 pm † **JEAN ELLIS**
--Dave & Jeannie Thomas

FRI. September 25

10:00 am Mass at Extendicare
12:05 pm † **GORDON KELLY & JANE RAUEN**
--by The Family

Saturday, September 26

5:00 pm † **BRIGID KENNY**
--Mel & Hilda McPhee

Sunday, September 27

9:00 am † **HENDRIKA VAN WOUW**
--Fred & Colette Stegmayer

11:00 am **MISSA PRO POPULO**

Next Weekend's Readings: **26th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

1st: Numbers 11.16a, 17c, 25-29 2nd: James 5.1-6

Gospel Mark 9.38-43, 45, 47-48

Prayers for the Sick

Mary Buckley, Janet Pavan, William Hanley, Fred Gimblett, Gloria Barbosa, Heather Maxwell, Doug Smith, Greg Heenan, Jim Connolly, Bernadette Forster, Jim Corkery, Joseph Slaven, Kathleen Tunney, Marie Solomon, John Kuchma, James Cormier, Harm Zoelman, Alice Heffernan, Bob Whelpley, Peg Lees, Tanya Green, Shawn Pentland, Lisa Dunn, Rosemary Roth, Lisa Sampson, Charles Potier, Arlene Brown, Debbie Hale, Stanley Johnston, Jessica Gerber, Richard Philips, Lynn Fabris, Mary Beyette, Theresa Ferguson, Charles Bateman, Bob Pickett, Noreen Mark, Antoinette Brisson, Stan Johnston, Fred Williams, Mark Martel, Diane Bartlett *May the Lord's healing hand touch them.*

Reflection

Jesus continued to try to help the disciples understand what was in store for him, but they couldn't see it. As a matter of fact, so great was their misunderstanding that they argued among themselves about who would be first in this kingdom of Jesus. Patiently, Jesus tried again to explain. Gathering in a small child, he told the disciples that anyone entering the Kingdom of God must enter it as a child. Children in the time of Jesus had no identity, no legal rights, and were basically non-people. In order to be first in the Kingdom Jesus promised, the disciples (and all who follow them) must be as unimportant as a child in the eyes of society.

Reflection for Families It may be difficult for parents of our time to think of children as non-persons. They are probably the most important people in our lives! Parents in ancient times loved their children just as parents do today. While children in our time are protected by many laws, still very few children carry any authority or power in our culture. So the difference is not in children and parents of two different times, rather the point is how children are unencumbered by status. Their love for God is fresh and uncomplicated. This is a quality in children we should consciously observe and emulate.

Collection Report

✠ **A Summary of Your Generosity** ✠

September 13 Sunday Offering \$4049.

Thank you for your support!

Events/Meetings This Week

Mon. 21—7:30 pm Ultreya Meeting in Parish Cen.

Wed. 23—12:30 pm Legion of Mary in Parish Cen.

Thurs. 24—1:00 pm Progressive Euchre at Columbus Community Centre

Thurs. 24—Property Committee in Parish Centre

Thurs. 24—7:00 pm Prayer/Meditation Group in PC

Sun. 27—2:00 pm Clergy & Diocesan Finance Committee Meeting, Our Lady of Mercy Parish Hall

Sun. 27—2:00 pm 4th Degree Installation of Officers, St. Michael's Church

Catholic Herald

the voice of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Peterborough
Copies of our Diocesan newspaper are now available for pick up at the Church entrance.

Parish Committee's

Father Hood is please to announce the appointment of these Parishioners to the following committees.

Parish Finance Committee

- Jim Berg
- Del Dillon
- Sue Peers
- Alex Rattray
- Paul Rousseau

Parish Property Committee

- Marg DePinto
- Barry May
- Vic Olsen
- Jane Penney
- Alex Rattray
- John Whelpley

Parish Screening Committee

- Jim Blainey
- Ria Collins
- Colleen Olsen
- Don Ubell

Peterborough Diocesan Catholic Women's League invite you to...

Project Outreach "Bioethics and End of Life Care"

Sat. September 26, 9:00 am-3:00 pm

St. Joseph's Hall, 127 Liberty St., Bowmanville

Facilitators, Sister Mary Rowell, CSJ, Ph.D. and Stephen Kylie, B.Sc., LL.B. For more details, see flyer posted at the entrance of the church or parish office, or contact your President. All are welcome.

Needs of the Canadian Church Collection: September 26/27

Each year the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops is asked to speak out, give leadership, or provide guidelines for the faithful on a wide variety of topics in our daily lives. In order for our Bishops to be able to make proper judgments on modern topics, they must have the benefit of research and expert advice. Continuing research into the social and spiritual needs of our people needs to be carried on. In addition to contributions, we are also asked to pray for the work of the Bishops. Annual collection will take place next weekend September 26/27. Envelopes are in your offertory box. Thank you.

MARIAN MONTH -- OCTOBER

October is a month of devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary. Once again the rosary will be prayed twenty minutes before each Mass, beginning October 1st. By praying the rosary, a treasured prayer of the Church, we gain many graces. In joining our prayerful intentions to Mary, we show our fidelity and trust in her intercession to God for us. **Please remember to bring your rosary.**

Life Chain

Come to Life Chain in Cobourg. Join Pro-lifers across Canada in one hour of standing up prayerfully for the unborn and their mothers. It's on Sunday, October 4 from 2:00 to 3:00 pm, at the intersection of Elgin St. and William St. in Cobourg. For further information call Jennifer Riccio at (905) 373-8306.

KofC Community Breakfast Buffet Today, September 20

The KofC will be serving breakfast buffet from 10:00 AM until 1:00 PM today, September 20, at the Columbus Community Centre (corner of D'Arcy & Spencer St.). Everyone is welcome to join in this Community breakfast. Cost is Adult - \$8.00, Children 5 to 12 years \$2.50. Hope to see you out!

Feast of St. Francis of Assisi October 4, 2009

In honour of St Francis, Patron Saint of Animals, there will be a **Blessing of Animals on Saturday, October 3 at 11:00 AM.** Please bring your pet/s to the Grotto for this special blessing. Note if inclement weather, the blessings will take place in the Church.

Faith Education

Attention Parents: To assist you in the faith education of your child/ren, our Home Catechism Programme is available from kindergarten through high school. If you wish to pursue one or all of the Sacraments for your child please contact Coordinator Henriette DeRoth at 905 377-0563. Note that any children attending the public school system, the Sacrament of First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion are in grade two, and that Confirmation is in grade seven.

Rites of Christian Initiation for Adults

Do you know someone who is contemplating on becoming a Catholic? This programme prepares adults/teens for initiation through a process of prayer, rituals, reflection on the word of God, and teachings of the Church. We believe that the Catholic Faith is an extraordinary gift, one that we are called to share. We invite all non-Catholics, non Confirmed Catholics . to contact the office at 905 372-6844. **The doors are open!** The Catholic Church invites you to join us on our RCIA Journey.

Children's Liturgy

We welcome back the Children's Liturgy Programme at the 9:00 am Mass. Thank you to coordinator's Ann Tesluk & Gisele McLeod, and all the volunteers who once again have come forward to continue this wonderful children's programme. They are always looking for new volunteers! Give them a call (their phone numbers are printed on the front cover of the bulletin).