

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, July 23, 2017



He put before them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. (MT 13: 24-43)

Last Week's Collection

Sunday Offering - \$ 1555.00
 'Host a Family..' \$ 10.00
 Repair & Renovations fund - \$ 43.00
Bless you for your continued generous support.

Upcoming Events

Golf & Dinner -Sept. 17th

Host a Family Fund Raising Programs:

Grocery Store BBQ - August
 Garage Sale - September
 (Save & donate your spring cleaning treasures!)
 Pie Sale - October
 Prosciutto Raffle - November
 Winery Wine Sale - November

Friends, please join and support that we may help our two Syrian families.



Mass Schedule & Intentions from July 22, 2017 to July 30, 2017

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| Saturday | 5:00PM † Fortuna & Agata DePasquale by the Presti family Franco Sdao by Emma Altimari |
| Sunday | 9:00AM † Clementina & Giorgio Giovinazzo by grandchildren Tina & Nancy Giovinazzo Rena & Bruna Belcamino by Joe Belcamino Frank Sdao by Connie & George Poll |
| | 11:00AM For us and for all our dearly deceased ones |
| Monday | No Mass |
| Tuesday | 7:00PM † Michael & Francis Csukerda by Sister Helen Charette |
| Wednesday | 9:00AM † Giuseppina Gallo by Rosa Seriani |
| Thursday | 9:00AM † Vincenzo Guzzi by Alfred Guzzi |
| Friday | 9:00AM † C. Silvestri by Angela DiCesare |
| Saturday | 5:00PM † Franco Sdao by Pasquale & Iolanda Gaetano Aldo Belcamino by Teresa Belcamino |
| Sunday | 9:00AM † Panfilo & Maria Domenica Zinatelli by Loreta Zinatelli Stella & Terzo Pace by Joe Belcamino Ernesto & Elvira Magazzeni by Maria Magezzeni |
| | 11:00AM For us and for all our dearly deceased ones |

Thank you for supporting 'Host a Family Program'



Discover Christ's Indwelling Presence - 2 day conference

August 19, 2017 - (9:00 am - 6:00 pm)

August 20, 2017 - (9:00 am - 5:00 pm)

Let His presence lead us fearlessly into the life we are called to live - oneness as a community and a ministry, ready to serve and evangelize

Speaker: Fr. Denis Phanuef &
 Speaker: Fritz Mascarenhas

Adults - \$75 Children & Seniors (65+) - \$45
 (Childcare available for ages 3-13)

*Saturday lunch and dinner, Sunday lunch and refreshments

*For accommodation contact: Best Western (905)-732-0922

For more information or to register: www.gethsemaneministries.com or call 905-386-1111
 Other programs available as well.

A love offering will be taken during the event. Please make cheques payable to Gethsemane Ministries. A tax receipt will be issued for all donations over \$20. Your generous financial support is greatly appreciated.

Saint Andrew the Apostle, pray for us



APOSTOLIC LETTER ISSUED
 MOTU PROPRIO BY THE SUPREME
 PONTIFF FRANCIS



MAIOREM HAC DILECTIONEM
 ON THE OFFER OF LIFE

"Greater love has no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends" (Jn 15:13).

Worthy of special consideration and honour are those Christians who, following more than closely the footsteps and teachings of the Lord Jesus, have voluntarily and freely offered their life for others and persevered with this determination unto death.

Certainly the heroic offering of life, inspired and sustained by charity, expresses a true, complete and exemplary imitation of Christ, and thus is deserving of that admiration that the community of faithful customarily reserves to those who have voluntarily accepted the martyrdom of blood or have exercised Christian virtues to a heroic degree.

With the support of the favourable opinion expressed by the Congregation for the Causes of Saints which, in its Plenary Session on 27 September 2016, carefully studied whether these Christians are deserving of beatification, I establish that the following norms be observed:

Art. 1

The offer of life is a new cause for the beatification and canonization procedure, distinct from the causes based on martyrdom and on the heroism of virtues.

To read more on this Apostolic Letter visit the Vatican official web site:

http://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/motu_proprio/documents/papa-francesco-motu-proprio_20170711_maiorem-hac-dilectionem.html

Golf and Dinner - fund raising Program

Our annual Golf and Dinner fund raising will be on Sunday, Sept. 17th, 2PM at Whisky Run Golf Club (631 Lorraine Rd, Port Colborne). The dinner will begin here in our hall at 5PM. Golf and dinner ticket will be \$60, and dinner only ticket will be \$20.

It is to add to our building fund and support our 'Host a Family Program'. Please join.



We should be Christians in deed, as well as in name

From the beginning of a letter to the Magnesians by Saint Ignatius of Antioch, bishop and martyr

Ignatius, also called Theophorus, to the church at Magnesia on the Maeander, a church blessed with the grace of God the Father in Christ Jesus, our Saviour, in whom I salute you. I send you every good wish in God the Father and in Jesus Christ.

I was delighted to hear of your love of God, so well-ordered and devout, and so I decided to address you in the faith of Jesus Christ. Honoured as I am with a name of the greatest splendour, though I am still in chains I sing with the praises of the churches, and pray that they be united with the flesh and the spirit of Jesus Christ, who is our eternal life; a union in faith and love, to which nothing must be preferred; and above all a union with Jesus and the Father, for if in him we endure all the power of the prince of this world, and escape unharmed, we shall make our way to God.

I have had the honour of seeing you in the person of Damas your bishop, a man of God, and in the persons of your worthy presbyters, Bassus and Apollonius, and my fellow-servant, the deacon Zotion; may I continue to take delight in him for he is obedient to the bishop as to the grace of God, and to the presbyters as to the law of Jesus Christ.

Now it hardly becomes you to presume on your bishop's youth, but rather, having regard to the power of God the Father, to show him every mark of respect. This, I understand, is what your holy presbyters do, not taking advantage of his youthful condition but deferring to him with the prudence which comes from God, or rather not to him but to the Father of Jesus Christ, to the bishop of all. So then, for the honour of him who loves us, it is proper to obey without hypocrisy; for a man does not so much deceive the bishop he can see as try to deceive the bishop he cannot see. In such a case he has to reckon not with a man, but with God who knows the secrets of the heart.

We should then really live as Christians and not merely have the name; for many invoke the bishop's name but do everything apart from him. Such men, I think, do not have a good conscience, for they do not assemble lawfully as commanded.

All things have an end, and two things, life and death, are side by side set before us, and each man will go to his own place. Just as there are two coinages, one of God and the other of the world, each with its own image, so unbelievers bear the image of this world, and those who have faith with love bear the image of God the Father through Jesus Christ. Unless we are ready through his power to die in the likeness of his passion, his life is not in us.