

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022

All three readings speak of faith. The First Reading is part of a dialogue between God and the prophet. Like others before him, Habakkuk is feeling the burden of office. He complains about the prevalence of injustice and God’s failure to intervene. Then comes the divine response: in due time God will intervene to save those who trust in Him. Meanwhile, the upright must remain steadfast in faith. This brings us to the Gospel, where Jesus says that a grain of authentic faith can achieve great things. The saying about the uprooting of a tree is not to be taken in a literal sense. It is a vivid eastern mode of expression, which means that with faith what looks impossible can become possible. The parable of the unprofitable servant would have shocked Jesus’ hearers. A slave had no claim to either wages or thanks from his master, irrespective of how well he might have served him. At the time of Jesus, Judaism was dominated by the notion of merit – God “owed” salvation to humans in return for keeping the Law. But Jesus rejects this, and emphasises God’s sheer goodness. The disciple must humbly acknowledge that they are only servants.

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday, October 2 <sup>nd</sup> <i>27<sup>th</sup> Sunday in OT</i>	9 am 11 am	<i>Missa Pro Populo</i> <i>Missa Pro Populo (Linwood)</i>	
Monday, October 3 <sup>rd</sup> <i>Ordinary Time</i>	-	-	-
Tuesday, October 4 <sup>th</sup> <i>St. Francis of Assisi</i>	10:30 am 12 pm	<i>Funeral of Clifford Fehrenbach</i> <i>+ Deceased members of St. Clements School</i>	By Family & Friends
<b>Wednesday, October 5<sup>th</sup></b> <i>St. Sister Faustyna Kowalska</i>	12 pm 4 pm	<b>CANCELLED</b> <b>CANCELLED (Linwood)</b>	
Thursday, October 6 <sup>th</sup> <i>St. Bruno</i>	12 pm	<i>+ Len Hergott</i>	By Fran Hergott
Friday, October 7 <sup>th</sup> <i>Our Lady of the Rosary</i>	12 pm	<i>Intentions of Fr. Irek</i>	By Murray & Sharon Runstedler
Saturday, October 8 <sup>th</sup> <i>Ordinary Time</i>	5 pm	<i>+ William Haffner (1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary)</i> <i>+ Richard Dietrich</i>	By the Haffner Family By Diane Dietrich & family
Sunday, October 9 <sup>th</sup> <i>28<sup>th</sup> Sunday in OT</i>	9 am 11 am	<i>Missa Pro Populo</i> <i>Missa Pro Populo (Linwood)</i>	

**Our Saint of the Week:** – **The Story of Our Lady of the Rosary** – Saint Pius V established this feast in 1573. The purpose was to thank God for the victory of Christians over the Turks at Lepanto—a victory attributed to the praying of the rosary. Clement XI extended the feast to the universal Church in 1716. The development of the rosary has a long history. First a practice developed of praying 150 Our Fathers in imitation of the 150 Psalms. Then there was a parallel practice of praying 150 Hail Marys. Soon a mystery of Jesus’ life was attached to each Hail Mary. Though Mary’s giving of the rosary to Saint Dominic is recognized as a legend, the development of this prayer form owes much to the followers of

Saint Dominic. One of them, Alan de la Roche, was known as “the apostle of the rosary.” He founded the first Confraternity of the Rosary in the 15th century. In the 16th century, the rosary was developed to its present form—with the 15 mysteries: joyful, sorrowful and glorious. In 2002, Pope St. John Paul II added the five Mysteries of Light to this devotion. The purpose of the rosary is to help us meditate on the great mysteries of our salvation. Pius XII called it a compendium of the gospel. The main focus is on Jesus—his birth, life, death, and resurrection. The Our Fathers remind us that Jesus’ Father is the initiator of salvation. The Hail Marys remind us to join with Mary in contemplating these mysteries. They also make us aware that Mary was and is intimately joined with her Son in all the mysteries of his earthly and heavenly existence. The Glory Bes remind us that the purpose of all life is the glory of the Trinity. The rosary appeals to many. It is simple. The constant repetition of words helps create an atmosphere in which to contemplate the mysteries of God. We sense that Jesus and Mary are with us in the joys and sorrows of life. We grow in hope that God will bring us to share in the glory of Jesus and Mary forever.

**CEMETERY MASS** – Save the Date! The Cemetery Mass will be held on October 16<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 1:30 pm, at St. Clements RC Cemetery, with Bishop Wayne Lobsinger as our celebrant. Mass will be followed by a Parish Picnic at the Lions Park. St. Clements Christian Mothers will provide pulled pork, and we ask that parishioners bring a salad or dessert to share and lawn chairs/drinks for your family.

**40 DAYS FOR LIFE FALL 2022 CAMPAIGN** – The campaign runs from Wed., Sept. 28<sup>th</sup> – Sun., Nov. 6<sup>th</sup> across from Freeport Hospital, 3570 King St. E., Kitchener, on the grass, from 7am – 7pm daily. We at St. Clements are joining St. Teresa of Avila, Elmira, and St. Mary’s, Linwood/St. Joseph’s, Macton to **ADOPT-A-DAY** on **Monday, October 17<sup>th</sup>!** Please help us by volunteering for one hour. There are sign-up sheets at the back.

**WYD 2023** - There are limited spots available to any young people aged 18-35 who wish to participate in the Diocesan pilgrimage to Lisbon, Portugal for World Youth Day 2023. World Youth Day is a life-changing opportunity that gathers young Catholics from all around the world together with the Holy Father, Pope Francis, for days of prayer and celebration. More information about this pilgrimage opportunity and registration can be found at <https://wyd.hamiltondiocese.com/>

**VOCATION SEEDS** – "Increase our faith." Listen for the voice of God. Are you being called to be a priest, deacon or religious brother or sister? If God is calling you contact Bishop Wayne Lobsinger, Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation, Diocese of Hamilton (905-528-7988). Email: [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com) Website: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/>

**DIOCESE OF HAMILTON PRAYER CALENDAR** – Please remember the following in your prayers: Rev. Bernard (Mike) Francis, Rev. Arpee Nicolas Urquico, Felician Franciscan Sisters (C.S.S.F.), Rev. David Avila, Rev. Tony O’Dell, O.M.I., & Rev. Kiwook Kim.

**LAST WEEK’S COLLECTION** – St. Clements: Operating \$2,350.00. Maintenance: \$430.00 Thank you for your generosity!