

TENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

June 9th, 2024

In the First Reading we see the pathetic efforts of Adam and Eve to shift the blame for their sin from themselves on to the serpent, and even onto God Himself. We also see the consequences of sin: loss of intimacy to God, and a breakdown between man and woman. It is not God who has changed but the man and woman. However, the sad scene ends with a promise of salvation. The Gospel shows the promise of salvation as being fulfilled in Jesus. He overthrows Satan and establishes the Kingdom of God. For those who believe in Him, and who do the will of God, a new kinship is formed. St. Mark highlights the frustrations Jesus had to contend with. His relatives, worried about the direction His life had taken, wanted to bring Him back home. Then there is the argument with the Scribes concerning the source of Jesus' healing power. While the ordinary people recognized the God-given nature of Jesus' power, the Scribes put a horrible spin on Jesus' healing miracles, perversely claiming that it was through the power of the devil that Jesus did these deeds. This shows the sheer hardness of heart of the Scribes. At first Jesus tries to reason with them, but with little success. Such people are not open to the truth. Then Jesus warns them against committing the gravest sin of all, blasphemy against the Holy Spirit – the sin of deliberately twisting the good so that it is made to look bad.

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday, June 9 th <i>10th Sunday in OT</i>	9 am 11 am	<i>Missa Pro Populo</i> <i>Missa Pro Populo (Macton)</i>	
Monday, June 10 th <i>Ordinary Time</i>	-	-	-
Tuesday, June 11 th <i>St. Barnabas</i>	12 pm	+ <i>Christian Litrenta</i>	By Joe & Jeanne Boccanfuso & family
Wednesday, June 12 th <i>Ordinary Time</i>	-	C A N C E L E D	-
Thursday, June 13 th <i>St. Anthony of Padua</i>	12 pm	+ <i>Shirley Hehn</i>	By Murray & Sharon Runstedler
Friday, June 14 st <i>Ordinary Time</i>	-	C A N C E L E D	-
Saturday, June 15 th <i>Ordinary Time</i>	5 pm	+ <i>Shirley Hehn</i> + <i>John & Anna Miller</i>	By Jim & family By Tom Miller
Sunday, June 16 th <i>11th Sunday in OT</i>	9 am 11 am	<i>Missa Pro Populo</i> <i>Missa Pro Populo (Macton)</i>	-

History of the Catholic Church (#36) – As to the order of the universal Church, St. Paul stresses the importance of communion with the other Apostles and with Jerusalem, and he is willing to recognize a certain primacy of the mother Church. But this implied “no sort of subordination of his own authority and person to any other of supposedly higher status.” The decisive event that determined Paul’s mission, his Gospel, was meeting Christ on the Damascus road, and it was because of this that even the leading Apostles at Jerusalem had to recognize his authority. It is clear, however, that for St. Paul it was his “Gospel” that mattered, not personal recognition for its own sake. And he would not yield an inch on the principle of the freedom from the Law involved in the Gospel.

ST. AGNES EDUCATION CAFÉ – Sometimes we may struggle to listen to God. What is He calling me to do? Or perhaps it is a challenge speaking with, and listening patiently to one another? Yet, God promises rich blessings to all who listen to him...and follow His Son Jesus in all circumstances. Join us for the next St. Agnes Education Café: “The Art of Listening: to God and the Church, to Others and to Self”, with Fr. Paul Voisin C.R. Sunday June 23rd, 2:00pm St. Agnes Parish Waterloo. Details: www.saintagnescatholicchurch.org/Events

TO INFORM, ENCOURAGE AND HEAL – June is Indigenous History Month in Canada. We invite you take time in this season to learn more about the Catholic Church’s commitment to ongoing reconciliation efforts with Indigenous communities through a four-week learning opportunity through the VLCFF (Virtual Learning Community for Adult Faith Formation). To learn more about this study, please visit us at www.hamiltondioceselearns.com.

DIOCESAN MARIAN DAYS – The Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate, the Diocesan Marian Shrine, will be hosting the Diocesan Marian Days on the first Saturdays from June to October. The day begins at 9:00 a.m. and concludes at noon. The presiders for these days will be Fr. Ian Duffy (June 1), Bishop Wayne Lobsinger (July 6), Bishop Matthew Ustrzycki (August 3), Bishop Douglas Crosby (September 7) and Bishop Daniel Miehm (October 5). For more information, see the Diocesan website.

FAITH AFTER GRADUATION – The Office of Youth Ministry has produced a resource for those graduating grade 12. Please visit our webpage to access the brochure and the suggested resources to help you stay connected to the faith and your parish after graduating from your Catholic High School. <https://tinyurl.com/dohymresources>

LISTENING TOGETHER: MEDITATIONS ON SYNODALITY – The Office for Evangelization and Catechesis is pleased to offer a summer book club to anyone who would like to explore the meditations of Father Timothy Radcliffe from the Synod gatherings in October 2023. This series of presentations helps us better understand the true meaning of synodality and the importance of discernment in this process. Offered over four sessions, the book club will gather virtually on Wednesday afternoons in July (3,10,17,24) from 1:00-2:00pm for prayer and discussion. This series is free of charge and all are welcome to participate! Registration can be found here: <https://forms.gle/aLzYvo1C28BJ6aw36>

DIocese of Hamilton Prayer Calendar – Please remember the following in your prayers: Very Rev. Msgr. Murray Kroetsch, Rev. Piotr Jurzyk, Sisters Adorers of the Precious Blood (R.P.B.), Rev. Bernard (Mike) Francis, Rev. Adam Wroblewicz, C.R., & Rev. Patras Samuel Masih.

VOCATION SEEDS – “Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother”. If you feel the inclination to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, call Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988. Email: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com Website: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/>

LAST WEEK’S COLLECTION – St. Clements \$2,410.00. Thank you for your generosity!