

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

October 16th, 2022

The First Reading tells of the first battle the Israelites fought after their deliverance from Egypt. Their victory resulted, not from their own efforts alone, but from the power of God mediated through the intercession of Moses. In the parable of the unjust judge, Jesus exhorts His disciples to pray continually and never lose heart! The judge is approached by a widow – she represents the powerless ones. It is presumed that she has right on her side. But the judge is not interested in the rights of a penniless widow. However, when she persists in her plea, he finally relents, but only to get rid of her. The message is intended for the disciples who are faced with suffering and persecution. If an amoral judge can be moved by the persistent pleading of a widow, how much more will God see justice done for His faithful ones who cry out to Him continually. The only question is: will they (us) be found capable of confident and persevering prayer, or will they throw the towel in and abandon the faith, just because their prayer isn't answered immediately?

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday, October 16 th <i>29th Sunday in OT</i>	9 am 11 am	<i>Missa Pro Populo</i> <i>Missa Pro Populo (Linwood)</i>	
Monday, October 17 th <i>St. Ignatius of Antioch</i>	-	-	-
Tuesday, October 18 th <i>St. Luke</i>	12 pm	+ <i>Laura Kuntz</i>	By Donna Kittel
Wednesday, October 19 th <i>St. Paul of the Cross</i>	12 pm 4 pm	+ <i>Annunziata Boccanfuso</i> <i>CANCELED (Linwood)</i>	By Murray & Sharon Runstedler
Thursday, October 20 th <i>St. Margaret Mary Alacoque</i>	8 am	+ <i>Leonard Hergott</i>	By Frances Hergott
Friday, October 21 st <i>Ordinary Time</i>	8 am	+ <i>Members of St. Clement's School</i>	By families & friends
Saturday, October 22 nd <i>St. John Paul II</i>	5 pm	+ <i>Rita Miller</i>	By Tom Miller
Sunday, October 23 rd <i>30th Sunday in OT</i>	9 am 11 am	<i>Missa Pro Populo</i> <i>Missa Pro Populo (Linwood)</i>	

Our Saint of the Week: – *St. Ignatius of Antioch (d. 107)* – born in Syria, Ignatius converted to Christianity and eventually became bishop of Antioch. In the year 107, Emperor Trajan visited Antioch and forced the Christians there to choose between death and apostasy. Ignatius would not deny Christ and thus was condemned to be put to death in Rome. St. Ignatius is well known for the seven letters he wrote on the long journey from Antioch to Rome. Five of these letters are to churches in Asia Minor; they urge the Christians there to remain faithful to God and to obey their superiors. He warns them against heretical doctrines, providing them with the solid truths of the Christian faith. The sixth letter was to Polycarp, bishop of Smyrna, who was later martyred for the faith. The final letter begs the Christians in Rome not to try to stop his martyrdom. “The only thing I ask of you is to allow me to offer the libation of my blood to God. I am the wheat of the Lord; may I be ground by the teeth of the beasts

to become the immaculate bread of Christ.” St. Ignatius bravely met the lions in the Circus Maximus. St. Ignatius’ great concern was for the unity and order of the Church. Even greater was his willingness to suffer martyrdom rather than deny Christ. He did not draw attention to his own suffering, but to the love of God which strengthened him. He knew the price of commitment and would not deny Christ, even to save his own life. St. Ignatius pray for us!

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

CEMETERY MASS & CHURCH PICNIC – Join us this afternoon at 1:30 pm, at St. Clements RC Cemetery, for the Cemetery Mass with Bishop Wayne Lobsinger as our celebrant, followed by a Parish Picnic at the Lion’s 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.

70th ANNIVERSARY OF THE CARMELITE SISTERS IN WATERLOO REGION – The Committee for the Sisters of St. Joseph invite you to attend a special Mass celebrated by Most Reverend Wayne Lobsinger at St. Mary’s Catholic Church on Monday, October 24th at 6pm. Each supporter will be given dinner prepared by Tiny Home Takeout. Donations of \$250 per couple (eligible for a full tax receipt) can be mailed to Carmel of St. Joseph, 1127 Carmel-Koch Rd., RR#1 St. Agatha, ON N0B 2L0. Reservations: Jane Malleck 519-748-1225.

SAVE THE DATE! – The Office for Evangelization and Catechesis is delighted to welcome Mr. David Wells to speak to the Diocesan public on Tuesday, November 08, 2022 at 7:00 pm at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton. Hailing from the United Kingdom, David is a world-renowned catechist, educator and minister that speaks from the heart with enthusiasm and great love for the Church. David will be sharing with us his wisdom on the Church as the place of radical hospitality in a post-pandemic world. More details will be available in the coming weeks.

VOCATION SEEDS – God will answer the prayers of those who cry out. Ask for men and women to respond to the call to service as priests, deacons, religious brothers and sisters. 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 Website: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/>

DIocese of Hamilton Prayer Calendar – Please remember the following in your prayers: Rev. Robert M.F. Kiffman, Rev. Wallace Metcalf, Congregation of the Holy Cross (C.S.C.), Rev. Msgr. Theodore Slaman, Rev. Vincent Kim Van Toan, & Rev. Donald Wilhelm.

LAST WEEK’S COLLECTION – St. Clements: Operating \$2,534.00. Thank you for your generosity!