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26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FOCUS: *Be open to God, who send us his Spirit wherever we are.* Eldad and Medad missed Moses' retreat with the elders, yet God's Spirit came upon them. God meets us right where we are. Let us be open to the promptings of the Spirit in our own lives and allow God to come upon us.

WEEKDAY MASS / EVENTS SCHEDULE

Monday, Sept. 27		NO MASS
Tuesday, Sept. 28	9:00 am	†Andrzej Halat – Req. by the Jarzab Family
Wednesday, Sept. 29	9:00 am	60 th Anniversary Blessings for Jim & Joyce Hause – Req. by Cecile Motz
Thursday, Sept. 30	6:00 pm	HOLY HOUR
	7:00 pm	Reconciliation between the Indigenous People and all citizens of Canada
Friday, Oct. 1	7:00 pm	Holy Souls in Purgatory – Req. by Lucy Romero
Saturday, Oct. 2	9:00 am	Blessings Moser and Paleczny Families – Req. by the Moser Family

27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – OCTOBER 3, 2021

Saturday, Oct. 3	5:00 pm	†Tom Wunder – Req. by Grant & Janet Ertel
Sunday, Oct. 4	9:00 am	†Anna Dinh Van – Req. by Nguyen Family
	11:00 am	†Severino Brito – Req. by Marg Brito
	7:00 pm	†Jenny Rudyk – Req. by Lorne & Pauline Dawson



This past spring, the Church entered into a period of deep sorrow when results from investigations into gravesites at former Indian Residential schools were shared. The finding rekindled trauma across this land for residential school survivors, their families and their communities. And it touched all Canadians regardless of their faith.

In June, the federal government passed new legislation making September 30th a national statutory holiday commemorating National Day for Peace and Reconciliation. National Day for Truth and Reconciliation commemorates the history and ongoing trauma caused by residential schools and is intended to honour the survivors, families and communities who continue to grieve for those who were lost.

All of you are strongly encouraged to attend the 7:00pm Mass on Thursday, September 30. This Holy Mass will be celebrated to pray for the healing of our nation and for reconciliation between the Indigenous People and all citizens of Canada.

If you are a regular envelope user, you will notice/have noticed the Sept. 19 envelope “Needs of the Canadian Church”.

Though it is difficult to comprehend the full extent of the pandemic on Canadian society, Bishops easily recognize the common experiences that have touched all regions: communities in lockdown; overwhelmed healthcare providers and institutions; struggling businesses; and the mental, emotional and physical toll on families, friends and neighbours. This past spring, the Church in Canada entered into a period of deep sorrow when results from investigations into gravesites at former Indian Residential Schools were shared. We clearly saw the pain and suffering of the past and renewed our pledge to continue walking side by side with Indigenous Peoples in the present, seeking greater healing and reconciliation for the future.

As we remain steadfast in responding to the impact of the pandemic upon our communities of faith and the healing and reconciliation for Indigenous Peoples across the land, your prayers, gestures of kindness and generosity are invaluable, heartfelt and true sources of consolation, comfort and renewed encouragement in the pursuit of the Church’s pastoral mission.

The Collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada assists the Bishops in the ministry of accompanying, teaching, guiding, sanctifying and caring for the church in Canada. Any commitment that you are able to make is greatly appreciated.

You can still donate by using the yellow envelope found in the box of offertory envelopes, or by writing “Needs of the Canadian Church” on any envelope and dropping it in to the collection. Please include your information on the envelope.

COVID Vaccines

The official position of the Catholic Church is that all available COVID vaccines are ethical and all Catholics who are able are encouraged to receive the vaccine. All employees serving in the Diocese of Hamilton are encouraged to be fully vaccinated or to submit to a COVID rapid test every Monday and Thursday in order to carry out their responsibilities. Volunteer liturgical ministers are required to be fully vaccinated. Bishop Douglas Crosby, OMI, encourages every member of the Catholic Church within our Diocese of Hamilton to be fully vaccinated.



September 22 – October 31, 2021

40 Days for Life is a peaceful, prayerful – and proven effective – pro-life campaign that has already been embraced by more than half a million people worldwide.

- 1. Prayer and Fasting: Join together with other believers for 40 days of fervent prayer and fasting for an end to abortion.**
- 2. Peaceful Vigil: Stand for life during a 40-day peaceful public witness from 7am-7pm daily, outside Freeport Hospital, 3570 King Street East, Kitchener.**