

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday

“Captains, pick your teams!”

Those words spoken by well-meaning PE teachers probably still strike fear in the hearts of many adults. Whether the game was kickball, dodgeball, or Red Rover, choosing teams inevitably meant someone would have the unenviable position of last one chosen. Often it was the child who didn't excel at sports or who

ranked low on the popularity scale. It's a universal truth—no one wants to be chosen last.

The theme of being chosen is evident in today's first two readings, but there's no need to feel dread about this selection process. This isn't a contest based on athleticism or popularity—it's God doing the choosing. And when God chooses, each person is specially chosen for the team.

The prophet Isaiah claims, “I have called you by your name, giving you a title.” Saint Paul reminds the Thessalonians how much God loves them and that they are, therefore, chosen. God chose each of us to have a unique and precious relationship with him. There was nothing random about it.

But do *we* choose God? We might quickly say, “Of course!”

But think again. God speaks through Isaiah, “I am the LORD, there is no other.”

Jesus challenges us to give to God what is his. Do we choose to actively engage in our relationship with God, or does it fall to the wayside in lieu of other priorities? Do we seek God in good times just to deepen our relationship, or do we seek him only when we're in need? Do we truly give God the time and attention he deserves?

We've already made it onto God's kickball team—now it's up to us to choose him in return.

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Notre Dame Parish



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Office Hours

Tuesday to Thursday: 9:00 -12:00 & 1:00 -4:00
Friday: 9:00 – 12:00

Mass Times

Tuesday – Friday – 12:10pm
Saturday – 5:00pm and 7:30pm (max of 50 people at each mass)
Sunday – 9:00am and 11:00am (max of 50 people at each mass)

Pastor

Fr. Venerando Sabacan
Bookkeeper – Pauline Bates Office Volunteer – Yvonne Becotte

N.D. Principal

Mrs. Colleen Richard (250) 782-4923
Secretary – Gen Cabrera

Baptism of children: Contact the Parish Office (even prior to the birth of your child) about the process for Baptism for parents & godparents.
Marriage: Couples wishing to be married in a Catholic Church should contact the Parish Office at least 6 months prior to their wedding date.
RCIA: Any persons wishing to join the Catholic faith please contact the Parish Office

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Oct 20 12:10 Mass
3:15pm - RCIA
6:30pm – ND School Council Mtg

Oct 21 12:10 Mass
3:15pm 1st Reconciliation/Eucharist Class

Oct 22 12:10 Mass
3:15pm Confirmation Class

Oct 23 12:10 Mass

Oct 24 5pm Mass (Max 50 people)
7:30pm Mass (Max 50 people)

Oct 25 9am Mass (Max 50 people)
11am Mass (Max 50 people)

PARISH SICK LIST: Please pray for all parishioners who are sick and suffering, especially, **Ray Richardson** (Contact the parish office if you would like to add your name or the name of your loved one to the list. Make sure that you have the person's permission to put their name on the Parish Sick List. This year the names will only stay for one month, then the names will be removed)

Food Banks

Please remember those who are in need with donations for the Food Banks.



Tuesday	+ Rudy Molina
Wednesday	+ Gerry York
Thursday	+ Mary Fitzgerald
Friday	+ Warren Chomiak
Saturday	5pm - + Josefina deCastro 7:30pm - + Victor Jones
Sunday	9am - Intentions of Notre Dame Parish 11am – Angela Dufour

2020/21 Budget
Yearly Expenses for Notre Dame Parish
\$180,300
 Weekly Collection Needed to cover expenses
\$3,467.00
 Envelopes – \$2,605. Loose - \$147.
 Total Collection for the Week: \$2,752
Thank you for your generosity!



Notre Dame Parish has an account at the Bottle Depot. If you would like to donate your bottles to the Parish just bring them up to the depot and tell the clerk you would like the proceeds to go to **"NOTRE DAME PARISH"** and they will credit that account. Thank You! **All monies raised will go to the "Roof Replacement"**

"E-TRANSFERS"

Notre Dame Parish is now offering E-Transfers for Parishioners to use for their weekly donations.

If this is an option that you are interested in, please follow these instructions:

1. Add Recipient – Notre Dame Parish, DC
 2. Email Address – nddcaccounting@shaw.ca
 3. Message – example: donation, or special collection, Haiti Sponsorship or Projects, Corporal works, etc.
 4. Parishioners are reminded that they DO NOT NEED a security question because the donation is automatically deposited into the designated parish account.
- If you have any questions, please feel free to call the Parish Office.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY: OCTOBER 18, 2020 "HERE I AM, SEND ME!"

Today, every Catholic community and parish throughout the world is involved in World Mission Sunday. It is a day that we show that all Catholics are missionary disciples who all have a role to play in the missionary activities of the church. It is a global effort to bring spiritual and material assistance to those who long for the love of Christ. Your kind support will help new churches to become strong and vital faith communities. Please continue to pray for all those who serve in mission countries and please be generous in your support of their work. Thank you in advance for any financial support that you can provide on this World Mission Sunday.



Notre Dame School PSG is fundraising with Purdy's Chocolatier, just in time for Christmas. If you would like to support our school, the office at the school or at the church, has catalogue and order forms. Orders are due back to school on **November 20th**.



Diocesan Annual Appeal 2020/2021

The goal for Notre Dame Parish this year is:
\$15,326.

Monies donated to date: \$12,965. (85%)
 Thank you to those who have pledged already.

Blessing of the Graves

To commemorate the Feast of All Souls Day, we will be having a blessing of the graves on **Sunday afternoon, November 1**. This service is a way for us to remember our deceased family and friends. This year we will have the service at Brookside Cemetery where we will meet at the gate to begin our service at 3pm. Those parishioners who have loved ones buried at Brookside will be invited to go and stand by their gravesite. Father will come to each grave and bless it. All parishioners are welcome to participate in this service.

