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- Saturday Vigil Music
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Parish Groups

- Altar Society
- Associate Missionaries of St. Paul
- Friends of St. Kateri
- Friends of St. Mary's
- Holy Communion to Shut-ins
- Hot Lunch Program
- Parish Council
- Finance Committee
- Parish Property Committee
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- Sacramental Prep

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- Catholic Women's League
- Children's Rosary Program
- Development and Peace
- Knights of Columbus
- St. Vincent de Paul Society



'sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven'

Mark 10:21

Parish Pastoral Team

- Alison Coort / Office Administrator
- Marguerite Goodfellow / Parish Nurse
- Judith Gottschalk / Ministry Rep (contact the parish office)
- Jan Sirek / Deacon / jan@sirek.ca

Fr. Dominick Mbah/
FrDominickMbah@peterboroughdiocese.org

Office Hours: Tuesday - Thursday / 9:30AM - 2:30PM

Confessions: Saturdays 3:15 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.

Parish Office: 705-789-2348

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Week of October 14th – 20th

Tuesday, October 15th / 9:00 AM

Wednesday, October 16th / 12:00 Noon
 +Chris Doyle
 (Req By: Eileen & George White)

Thursday, October 17th / 9:00 AM
 +Pat Morra
 (Req. By: Members of the CWL)

Friday, October 18th / 12:00 Noon
 SI Peter Poustie
 (Req By: Walter Gryns)

Saturday, October 19th / 4:00PM
 +Christina & Brian Watson
 (Req. By: Regina Miszruk)

Sunday, October 20th / 9:00AM
 SI For the People of the Parish

Sunday, October 6th / 11:00AM
 +Joe Febbo
 (Req. By: John & Jean MacInnis)

Let us pray for those who have died especially
Mardi Keyes
and for those who have asked for our prayers ...

Jaymie Ward, Phillip Tomkin, Joe Hanrath, Ron & Margaret Smith, Robert Foley, Ruth Anne Foley, John Dunbar, Doris Lane, Connie Gregory, Sharon & Ben Boivin, Timothy Pelyk, Kirsten MacDonald, Peter Poustie, Pam and Don Mackenzie, Esther Phillips, Carole Ruttan, Kevin Phillips, Stephanie Jarvis, Ian Bruce, Mabelle Claer, Janine Wright, Edward and Claire Hortensius, Anna Maria Ertler, Mike & Loretta Pearson, Doris Cristiano, Karl Richter, Dallas Clarke, Jamie Sef-ton, Tcherina Zylstra, Brian O'Connor, Remi LeGros, Emily Warman, Terry Russell, Sheila Bruce, Veronica Cotman, Marjorie Curry, and Pat Yantha

Sunday Offertory

October 6, 2024 \$4,684.00

Thank you for your continued generosity.

The Important Questions

The young man asked Jesus, ‘Master, what have I to do to inherit eternal life?’ It’s obvious that he had already asked another question, if not of Jesus, then of someone else. That question was: What is the purpose of life? The answer to which is: to gain eternal life.

These are the two most important questions in life. Most of us asked the same sort of questions when we were young. Perhaps we don’t ask them any longer? Here we are, on the train of life, being carried forward inexorably, and it seems at an ever-increasing speed, but where the train is bound for is no longer a burning issue with us.

Why is this? Could it be that we are so preoccupied with the baggage, or with amusements and distractions, that we simply have no time for such matters? Or could it be that like the young man who came to Jesus, we have found that it is dangerous to ask such questions?

The climate we live in doesn’t encourage this kind of questioning and reflection. Spiritual questions are seldom a topic of conversation at dinner tables, or even in intimate talks among friends. People focus more on work, family problems, and the political and economic issues of the day. Discussions about moral values and spiritual beliefs seldom happen. In fact, they are more or less taboo.

We are practical people. We want answers, not problems. Moral and spiritual matters are difficult issues. An American psychiatrist has said, ‘To a large extent our lives are spent in avoiding a confrontation with ourselves. Most of our daily activities facilitate this. They distract us from ourselves, and from reflection. We are tranquilized by the trivial.’

Jesus answered the young man’s question thus: ‘Keep the commandments.’ And the young man said, ‘I have kept the commandments.’

For Jesus keeping the commandments was just the bare minimum. He saw that this young man was capable of more. So he said to him, ‘If you want to be perfect, sell what you have, give the money to the poor, and then come and follow me.’

The young man stood on the brink of a new and exciting world. However, he quickly realized that he could not enter this new world without saying good-bye to his old world. He hesitated. He looked back at that old world, and began to weigh up the things he was leaving. Suddenly he realized he couldn’t do it.

As he went away a sadness descended on him., the sadness that descends on us when we choose to live for ourselves.

Some people are unwilling to let go of a single one of their old values in order to acquire a new one. If we fear to lose the pleasures of the old world, we will never taste the joys of the new.

Jesus demands the best of us as he did of the young man. He will not allow us to settle for anything less. The challenge—if you wish to be perfect—is issued to us too. However, the thing we might be called upon to sacrifice in order to take up that challenge could vary for each of us. We have to look into our own hearts to see what it is that we would have to give up in order to respond to it.

McCarthy, Flor. “Twenty-eighth Sunday of the Year”. *New Sunday & Holy Day Liturgies*, 2011, pp. 336-337.

Next Weekend Ministry Schedule - October 19th / 20th, 2024			
	4:00 PM MASS	9:00 AM MASS	11:00 AM MASS
Lectors	Ron Downey	Gisele Neigel	Bob Lacroix
EMC	Marguerite Goodfellow	Jo Ann Geisler	Bob Lacroix
Ushers	Marguerite Goodfellow Walter Gryns	Maureen McIntyre Doug Neigel	Hugh Knox Bob Lacroix,
		Linda Latour Mike Pearson	Linda Lacroix
Counters	Tuesday, October 15, 2024	Mary Kudryk &	Linda Latour

Associate Missionaries of St. Paul (AMSP) / October Rosary / The month of October each year is dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary. The parish will be celebrating this by praying the Rosary prior to the beginning of Mass each weekend during October. Please join in.

St. Vincent de Paul Food Drive / Tuesday, **October 15th**, will be our Monthly Food Drive. We are in most need of: Tuna, Salmon, Pork & Beans, Peanut Butter, Cereal / Oatmeal, Rice, Pasta, Soda Crackers, Tea, Coffee, Fruit Cups, and Juice Boxes. The food drive is from 9:30AM to 12:00Noon at the SVDP Office. Whatever you are able to share is greatly appreciated. Thank you.

Hot Lunch Tuesdays / Will begin on Tuesday, October 15, 2024. The doors open at 11:30AM prayer before the meal will start at 11:50 and the meal will be served from 12:00PM to 12:30 PM. If you know of someone who would appreciate a meal and good company, please let them know about our Hot Lunch Tuesday. We are in need of your support for our Hot Lunch Program, any monetary donations are greatly appreciated. You may use the Poor Box at the entrance of the church, or any envelope designated as Hot Lunch. Again, thank you for making this possible!

Welcome To The Area And The Parish / Whether you are new to the area, or here for a short visit, you are most welcome. We hope and pray that the memories that you have created here in the Muskoka area, will bring you all joy in the future. May God’s peace be within you always.

RCIA / If you know of someone who is interested in becoming a Catholic or would like to learn more about the Catholic faith, the next meeting for the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults Program will be on **Sunday, October 20th** at 3:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

CWL / The CWL Pie Sale has been cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances.

Coffee Sunday has been cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances.

Weekday Mass / The Tuesday Mass time will be changing from 12:00 Noon to 9:00 a.m. beginning October 15, 2024. The Mass time is being changed to better accommodate the serving of Hot Lunch on Tuesdays.

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11:15 - 12:15	Lunch
12:30 – 1:30	Individual Workshops for each Ministry
2:00 PM	Closing Prayer

Please call your Parish Office to register by October 11, 2024



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Parish Group Meetings /Events

Wednesdays	9:30 a.m.	Let’s Get Physical Class / Parish Hall
Wednesdays	6:00 p.m.	Choir Practice / Church
Monday	October 16th	CWL General Meeting / Parish Hall / 2:00 p.m.
Wednesday	October 16th	Confirmation Class ?Parish Hall / 7:00 p.m.
Saturday	October 19th	Northern Deanery Training Session / Parish Hall / 10:00 a.m.