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September 7, 2025 ~ Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



Life Out of Focus

I found myself angry the other day, as we all do, I suppose, whenever we put our foot in our mouth, or forget about an important engagement, or scramble whatever it was we had hoped would be picture-perfect. What I had scrambled was a homily. For some reason, the image came out wrong, or the example did not fit, or it just did not come together the way I had hoped. And I was angry with myself to the point that it caught me off guard. It was an unexpected glimpse of what I didn't want to admit: the fact that the way people might

perceive me as a preacher had taken on more importance than preaching God's word. Life had gotten out of focus. A perspective had been lost.

It happens to us all in the course of our lifetimes, and more than once. Grades become more important than learning, or being right more important than the relationship, or the address of where we live more important than the people living together. It happens between parent and child when a parent places greater significance on the son's or daughter's profession than on that son's or daughter's happiness. Like in the parable of Jesus, where we sit at table takes on greater meaning than the people who gather or the meal that is shared. That is what pride does. It distorts what is real and shifts the focus of life to ourselves. The antidote? A prayerful awareness of who we are and who God is.

Jesus said,] "Everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted." LUKE 14:11 Fr. Joseph Juknialis Ligouri Publications

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Website: www.stteresa.ca Parish Office Hours Monday to Friday 9:00 - 4:00 pm Our bulletin is available online.



Weekend Masses

Saturday: 5:00pm Sunday: 9:00am, 11:00am

Weekday Masses

Monday & Wednesday: 7:00pm Tuesday, Thursday & Friday: 8:00am (Weekday holidays - Mass moves to 9:00am) Our Mother of Perpetual Help Devotions included in Wednesday Mass Adoration follows Friday Mass.

Masses are available online

Reconciliation

Wednesday 6:30 - 7:00pm & Saturday 3:00 - 4:00pm or call the parish office for an individual appointment with a priest.

Marriages

A minimum of six months advance notice is required. A marriage preparation program is required to be married in the church.

Baptisms

Please contact the Parish Office to schedule the pre-baptism course and for more information. A copy of the child's birth certificate must be provided before the baptism.

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Collection June 28/29, 2025		Collection August 23/24, 2025	
Green Envelopes	\$5,841.00	Green Envelopes	\$5,953.00
Loose Collection	1,256.00	Loose Collection	1,458.00
E-Transfers	35.00	E-Transfers	965.00
Total of above	\$7,132.00	Total of above	\$8,376.00
Collection July 5/6, 2025		Collection August 30/31, 2025	
Green Envelopes	\$5,748.00	Green Envelopes	\$5,153.00
Loose Collection	1,194.00	Loose Collection	1,409.00
E-Transfers	595.00	E-Transfers	325.00
Total of above	\$7,537.00	Direct Giving for September	608.00
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Collection July 12/13, 2025		Miscellaneous Contributions	. ,
Green Envelopes	\$5,967.30	Pope's Pastoral Works \$20.00 (Total \$1,542.00)	
Loose Collection	1,541.70	Cemetery Collection \$210.00 (Total \$4,057.00)	
E-Transfers	110.00	Archbishop Appeal \$10.00 (Total \$3,108.00)	
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Collection August 16/17, 2025

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and after the 9:am and 11:00am masses. Please come and support us in this effort.

On the same day, the choir will also have a concert at 3:00 in the church. There is no charge for attendance, but any goodwill donations will be gratefully accepted.



Upcoming Parish Event

October 1 is the Feast Day for St. Teresa. We will celebrate the Feast Day on Saturday, September 27, with Mass at 5pm followed by a stuffed chicken breast dinner at the Knights of Colum-

bus Basement, St. Clare Ave. Please enter by rear door. Cost for dinner \$35 each. Tickets will be available before and after the weekend masses September 13&14 and 20&21. We are also having a 50/50 draw at the dinner. 2000 tickets at \$1 each, with a possible prize of \$1000. Tickets for both are available at the office and at the church on the dates listed above.



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Kooper Terrence Baker Darcy Frances Day

Logan Zachary Inder Evelyn Brenda Carmel Littlejohn Leonardo Kean Dos Santos Sophia Gail Sheppard, Ryan Gary Tulk Micaiah Sherah Margaux Torrejas Agot Sarah Belle Byrne Samuel James Dormody Johnson Kade Robert Hoskins Savannah Rae Dixon-Mullins Michelle Amankwah Owusu Mitchell Tweneboah Owusu Elizabeth Tanya Maey Power Chandra Amelie Seduco Carson Jerome Stamp Reese Lennon Tucker Congratulations!

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Sept. 14 - The Exultation of the Holy Cross

First Reading - Numbers 21.4-9 **Second Reading** - Philippians 2.6-11 **Gospel** - John 3.13-17

..... Mass Intentions Sept. 8 - 14

Monday 7:00pm Kathleen and William McGrath and

deceased family, Francis and Neil Ryan, Patrick Walsh,

Intentions of Dorothy Whitten

Souls in Purgatory, Elizabeth Cleary, Tuesday 8:00am William Mercer, Gerald Fitzgerald

Wednesday 7:00pm Deceased members of the Wickens and Lane family, Wayne Emberley,

Frank and Tom McGrath,

Eileen Bidgood

Thursday 8:00am Mary Cecilia Keiley, Mary Ryan,

Robert Tucker, Sandra Bassan

8:00am Jillian Barnable, Eileen Bidgood, Friday

Patricia Atkins, Kay Abbott

Saturday 5:00pm Gabe Walsh, Brian Lacey,

Patrick Leonard, Raymond Doyle

Sunday 9:00am Ben Penney, Mary Bourgeois,

James Devereaux Jr., Michael Kelly,

Bill Callahan

11:00am The Parishioners

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Sept 20, Centre for Life Walk for Life/Family Fun Day, Divine Mercy Parish, 340 Newfoundland Drive, 9am - 2pm.

You are invited to attend our Walk for Life /Family Fun Day in support of the work of the Centre. There will be live music, face painting, games prizes for the children, and a BBQ. Sponsor sheets are available or a donation can be made. This is a major fundraiser and the Centre for Life asks for your support. Bring the family and have some fun and food! For any inquiries please call 709-579-1500 or email centreforlife@centreforlife.ca. Alternate rain date is September 27 9am - 2pm.