

THE TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26
(ST. JEAN DE BREFEUF, ST. ISAAC JOGUES & COMPANIONS)

(followed by Novena to St. Anthony)

5:00 pm

In honour of Our Lady of Fatima

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27
(ST. VINCENT DE PAUL)

8:00 am

+ Marianne Lahey

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

5:00 pm

(followed by Miraculous Medal Novena)

+ Marianne Lahey

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

(STS. MICHAEL, GABRIEL & RAPHAEL)

8:00 am (8:30 - 9:30 am adoration &
 recitation of Divine Mercy Novena)

+ Marianne Lahey

TWENTY - SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

5:00 pm

+ Eduarda Melo & Francisco Barbosa
 + Filomena Garcia
 + Emilia Figueiredo
 + Audrey Shannon
 + The Sprowls Family

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1

9:00 am

+ Vincent & Sabrina Moniz

11:00 am

- for the People - *pro populo*

If you are visiting today,

St. Patrick Parish welcomes you.



40 DAYS FOR LIFE HELP END ABORTION

From September 27 to November 5 you are invited to join together with over a million volunteers across North America who will simultaneously participate in 40 consecutive days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. **40**

Days for Life saves the lives of children in the womb who do not have the chance to stand up for themselves. You are encouraged to get involved by prayer and fasting for an end to abortion, as well as attending a peaceful vigil outside of Freeport Hospital, for an allocated hour between 7am and 7pm, seven days a week. We encourage volunteers to consider *adopting-an-hour* a week; which is only 6 hours over the span of the campaign and this would greatly help in filling all the hours. It is vital to spread the message **that human life is sacred and that a law needs to come into effect to stop the killing of innocent babies.**

You can either sign up for prayer hours online at www.40daysforlife.com/kitchener or by emailing or calling Ewelina at 40DaysKW@gmail.com or 519-904-2620. It is very important, that you sign up BEFORE coming to the vigil site as this prevents one of the committee or emergency back-up members from driving out to the site.

You are also invited to join the opening rally which will be held on Tuesday September 25 at Sacred Heart Parish, 66 Shanley Street, Kitchener. The rally will begin with Holy Mass at 7pm. Refreshments and sign-ups will follow. Please come to pray for the success of this Campaign and the protection of all life in our country.

LAMP OFFERING

September 24 - 30

October 1 - 7

SANCTUARY LAMP

+ Gregory Stoyles, Sr.

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LADY ALTAR LAMP

+ Caetana Vaz

+ Peter Vanleeuwen

OFFERTORY

SEPTEMBER 17, 2023

Envelope Contributions	\$2,097.00
Loose Collection	\$ 607.85
EFT Donations	\$1,005.50
Total Collection – <i>Thank you!</i>	\$3,710.35

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

SEPTEMBER 30 & OCTOBER 1

	5:00 p.m.	9:00 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
Lectors	C. McArthur P. Cooper	A. Jamieson D. Wylie	C. Terpstra J. Frias
Communion	H. Nearing T. Nearing	S. Braga J. Streppel	H. France R. France

SEPTEMBER 24, 2023

CHRISTMAS SHOEBOX CAMPAIGN

The Christmas Shoebox Campaign for CFFC will begin on the weekend of **October 7 & 8**. The members of the CWL invite parishioners to fill and decorate a Christmas Shoebox that will be shipped to a third world country in November of this year. Empty shoeboxes, which may be filled with clothing, toiletries, school supplies, craft materials or snacks will be available for pick up in the narthex.

Please wrap the lid and base of the shoebox separately and attach a tag to indicating the age and gender of the child for whom the shoebox has been prepared. Financial donations may be given by cheque only and made payable to *Canadian Food for Children*. If you have any questions, contact Ann Osmar 519-267-2035. Boxes should be returned **no later than Sunday, October 29**. Thank you.



ALPHA FILM SERIES

St. Ambrose Parish in Galt will host the Alpha Film Series, starting **Friday, October 6** at 6 pm. Alpha was filmed from all around the world and features many inspiring stories and interviews. Join Nickey Gumbel, Toby Flint and Gemma Hunt as they unpack the basics of the Christian faith in a way that everyone can relate to.

Each Alpha evening begins with a sit-down meal in the parish hall at St. Ambrose Church. Alpha is an excellent program for someone who is not a Christian but would like to learn more about the basics of the Christian faith. It is also for Christians who are looking to reconnect with the practice of their faith as well as connecting with the faith community. Please register your attendance by phoning the parish office 519.621.2013 or email your name and contact info to stambrose@golden.net. There is no cost to attend.

Sts. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels

As we honor these three archangels on their feast day, September 29, let us call upon their intercession, seek their mediation, and trust that they will accomplish the duties they are given. Through Michael, we seek God's protection. Through Gabriel, we seek God's revelation. And through Raphael, we seek God's healing. They will not let you down. Sts. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael - *pray for us!*

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

Monday	Rev. Murray McDermott, C.R.
Tuesday	Rev. Francisco Cruz
Wednesday	Parish Staff
Thursday	Rev. Mussie A. Keflezghi, M.C.C.J.
Friday	Rev. Brian Quigley, M.C.C.J.
Saturday	Rev. Junghoon (Francisco) Kwak



COFFEE SOCIAL

We invite you to stay after the 9 am & 11 am Mass this **Sunday, September 24** for our monthly coffee social in the Parish Hall. This is an ideal time to come together to renew existing friendships and to form new ones. A special invitation is extended to new parishioners who would like to get better acquainted with St. Patrick's Parish community. All are welcome!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING

The next Knights of Columbus Galt Council # 2184 meeting will be held at **7:00 pm on Monday, September 25** at St. Patrick Church in the parish hall. All men over 18 years are welcome to attend.

WORLD DAY OF TOURISM - SEPTEMBER 27

A World Tourism Day was created in 1979 by the World Tourism Organization. The Church is concerned about tourism in the world, remembering the words of Jesus to his disciples, "Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house!'" And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person" (Lk 10: 5-6).

ECUMENICAL SERVICE FOR PEOPLE WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

In order to support people with special needs on their spiritual journey, an ecumenical service will be offered at St. Patrick Church this **Sunday, September 24 at 3 pm**. The ecumenical service will include music, song and prayer in an environment that is special needs friendly. Service leaders include Deacon Terry Osmar (*St. Patrick Church*), Rev. Paul Poolton (*St. Augustine of Canterbury, Anglican Church*) and Darrell Bierman (*River City Church*). Light refreshments to follow. All are welcome!

WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS & REFUGEES SEPTEMBER 24

A World Day of Migrants and Refugees is observed in many places in solidarity with the World Refugee Day promoted by the United Nations and observed since 2001 on June 20. The January observance was instituted by Saint Pius X in 1914. At the request of several conferences of Bishops, Pope Francis moved the observance to September in 2019. "The phenomenon of migration today is a providential opportunity for the proclamation of the Gospel in the contemporary world. Men and women from various regions of the earth who have not yet encountered Jesus Christ or know him only partially, ask to be received in countries with an ancient Christian tradition. It is necessary to find adequate ways for them to meet and to become acquainted with Jesus Christ and to experience the invaluable gift of salvation." (Pope Benedict XVI, 2012)

Families who pray together, stay together!