

Sixth Sunday of the Ordinary Time

February 16th, 2025 ~ Liturgical Year C

Mass Intentions

✠February 17th, 2025 to February 23rd, 2025
As we gather, let us remember and pray for . . .

Monday.....NO MASS.....February 17th

Tuesday..... February 18th

8:00 am ✠ Jack Priestman (by The Catechist Sisters)

✠ Marietta Domanico (by Family)

Wednesday.....February 19th

8:00 am ✠ Holy Souls in Purgatory (by Jennifer Olszowy)

✠ Mickey DiFruscio (by Elizabeth & Family)

Thursday.....February 20th

8:00 am ✠ Peter & Angelina Corrado (by Carmelinda)

✠ Patrick Doherty (by Carmelinda)

10:00 am Mass with School community

✠ Fiorino Falovo (by Kathy Masse)

12:30 pm Mass with School Community

✠ Paolo DiPompeo (by Maria Marcone)

Friday.....February 21st

8:00 am ✠ Michael Mc Allister (by Jean & Gerald Parent)

✠ William Carroll (by Gerald & Jean Parent)

Saturday.....Chair of St. Peter, Apostle.....February 22nd

8:00 am ✠ Angelina Corrado (by Laura)

✠ Ray Petrarola (by Pietro & Carmela Maddalena)

5:00 pm ✠ Chiarina Serravalle (by Bob & Mary Jane Rose)

✠ Gino D'Ambrosi (by Diana & Gordon)

✠ Genoveffa & Vito Gicante (by Family)

✠ Carlos Nieves Rios (by Nazzareno & Mary Grossi)

✠ Gary Quinn (by Lanson & Karen)

Sunday..Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time...February 23rd

8:00 am ✠♥The People of Holy Rosary Parish

9:30 am ✠ Frank Ruscio (by Angelo & Angiolina Gabriele)

✠ Angelina Gigone

(by Maria & Francesca Grisimoch & Maria Venditti)

11:00 am ✠ Filomena Luciani (by Daughter Mary)

✠ Ruth Taliano (by Elizabeth DiFruscio & family)

SANCTUARY LAMP: This week's Sanctuary Lamp is donated in memory of **Guido and Luisa Minicucci**. The Sanctuary lamp is lit to remind us of Christ's presence in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar.

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for the Month of February For vocations to the priesthood and religious life:

Let us pray that the ecclesial community might welcome the desires and doubts of those young people who feel a call to serve Christ's mission in the priesthood and religious life.

HOLY ROSARY YOUTH GROUP

Friday February 21st

6:00pm in the Parish Hall.

Young people in grades 6-12 are invited to join our youth group for fun, faith formation, and fellowship. For more information, to sign up, or to get involved, please contact Father Daniel.

The word *beatitude* literally means *happiness*. The way of happiness that Jesus outlines calls for a transformation from within, a conversion of life, which we Benedictines vow to do each day of our life, through the profession we make. But everyone who follows Christ is called to do likewise. The Gospel message, Good News for all people, is summed up well in this familiar phrase from scripture: "Be converted and live." No one is excluded from this call.

That means dying to self, though, and living for God and neighbor without counting the cost. This is unlike what the world describes as happiness, often considered to be found in health, wealth and beauty, which in fact are very fleeting things. The Holy Spirit more easily acts in hearts that are humble and open, making a life in God more possible and visible. This means living our life in conformity with the Gospel message of Jesus Christ, putting God's ways above our own and cultivating a life of prayer and humble service.

But we still might ask: how can one possibly find happiness in poverty, hunger, mourning and persecution as Jesus seems to be saying in the Gospel today? These are things we are taught in our culture to avoid at all costs.

If we want to be filled with joy and true peace, and the happiness of heaven, Jesus is telling us we must empty ourselves of all that would shut God out of our hearts.

Poverty of spirit means possessing God above all other things. God is the greatest possible treasure, not a fatter bank account, a faster car or eternal youth. All those things pass quickly in this life and can't be taken to the next.

God is ready to give to the humble of heart—those who know they need God—real life and genuine happiness. Jesus promises his hearers, including us, that the joys of heaven will more than make up for the troubles and hardships that are a part of every life.

And mysteriously, many of the hardships are exactly what bring us to our knees, so to speak, when we finally seek out God without reserve, knowing nothing else can ultimately satisfy our deepest longings. Even in this life we can "taste and see the goodness of the Lord" (Psalm 33.9).

The great Doctor of the Church, Saint Thomas Aquinas, who died 1274, said that no person can live without joy. That is why those deprived of spiritual joy seek out other forms of it, only to discover that real joy, what really satisfies and lasts forever, is joy in God.

May we know the joy and happiness of belonging to God alone, through Christ our Lord and in the Holy Spirit. May our hunger and thirst not be for material things but for the kingdom of peace and righteousness which God is offering us all. May we find perfect joy in doing the will of God, who lives and reigns forever and ever.

<https://christdesert.org/2025/02/sixth-sunday-in-ordinary-time-year-c-2/>

****Income tax receipt is available to pick up at the back of the Church. Thank you! ****

You do not choose your family. They are God's gift to you, as you are to them (Desmond Tutu)
HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH, PRAY FOR US!

«Beati voi... ma guai a voi...», afferma Gesù nel Vangelo di Luca. Cristo ci ricorda così che vi è “maledizione” per chi si crede autosufficiente e trova nelle sole realtà umane la sua sicurezza, mentre vi è “benedizione” per chi ripone la propria fiducia solamente in Dio.

Si celebra oggi il Giubileo degli Artisti (15-18 febbraio).

Ogni giorno è un giorno in più per amare, un giorno in più per sognare, un giorno in più per vivere.

– San Pio da Pietrelcina

EMMAUS YOUTH ADULT MINISTRY

(Tuesdays, 7-9pm, St. Denis Church)

This Tuesday, February 11th, 2025, the young adults of the diocese invite you to join us for prayer, formation, and fellowship at St. Denis Church, 230 Lake Street, St. Catharines. For more information, contact Fr. Daniel at corso.danielanthony@gmail.com or follow us on Instagram@emmaus.ya

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AFTER February 26th @5pm

FIVE Hosted by Bocchinfuso Funeral Home, join us and ask the questions you always wanted to ask about death care! Education and information is our goal, so that you feel like you can make educated decisions. Snacks, tours, staff introductions throughout the evening. **RSVP TO INFO@NBOTAC.COM**



Retrouvaille is a marriage program that helps couples restore their marriage and rebuild a loving relationship. Retrouvaille helps to improve communication, build stronger marriages and helps couples to reconnect. **The next Hamilton Retrouvaille weekend is March 7 – 9, 2025.** For more info visit www.retrouvaille.org or email 1013r@helpourmarriage.org.

TODAY is WELCOME SUNDAY!

All Parishioners are invited to the Parish Hall following all Masses to enjoy some refreshments and a time of fellowship. **Please note this Church “Welcome Sundays” takes place every third Sunday of the month.**

Weekly Offering

09-Feb-25

Offertory: 3,096.25
 Online Offertory 1,038.80
 New Year 10.00
 Church Maintenance 55.00
Total \$ 4,200.05

Thank you for your generosity!

Condolences And Prayers:

We extend sincere condolences and prayers to the family and friends who mourn the recent loss of **Joseph Zimmile**. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen!

REMINDER:

The parish office will be closed on Monday, February 17th for Family Day.

Rev. Rico Passero, is the next featured speaker in this Jubilee’s Messages of Hope Series. He will be reflecting on ‘Hope for Today’ on February 24, 2025 at 7:00 pm at the Catholic Centre, 3400 Merrittville Highway, Thorold. Register at: <https://forms.office.com/r/rehnH9PdnB>



LIVE CHRIST, SHARE CHRIST PRAYER ASSEMBLY & TEACHING SERIES

Saturday February 22nd, 2025

1:00pm - 3:00pm in the Parish Hall.

LCSC Prayer Assembly & Teaching Series is a formation program to continue in strengthening our Catholic faith and to reinforce the foundations for Christian living knowing that Christ Jesus is the way of true happiness. He is the answer to the restlessness of every human heart. Hence, please join us to attend to our Prayer Assembly on Saturday, February 22nd, 2025 from 1:00pm-3:00pm. No admission fee and refreshments will be served.

“God is faithful to us; our task is to respond to this faithfulness. But take care: it is not we who generate this faithfulness; it is a gift from God that works in us if we allow ourselves to be moulded by His power of love, the Holy Spirit Who acts as a breath of inspiration in our hearts. It is up to us, then, to invoke this gift: “Lord, grant me to be faithful to you in hope!” Pope Francis, The Jubilee of 2025.

Jubilee 2025 Intention for the month of February

Our Lady of The Holy Rosary Parish – Jubilee 2025 Pilgrimage

Parishioners and relatives are invited on a Thirteen (13) days pilgrimage **From September 12th to 24th, 2025.** Please, call the parish office: **905-227-3178**, for registration and details.

DAY	ITINERARY	DAY	ITINERARY
1	Rome/ Montecassino area	7	Rome
2	Pietralcina/ San Giovanni Rotondo R	8	Rome/ Assisi
3	Monte Sant’Angelo/ San Giovanni Rotondo	9	Assisi / Cascia
4	Foggia/ Lanciano;	10	Assisi / Cortona
5	Manoppello/ Gran Sasso Tivoi area	11	Siena/ Orvieto/ Civita Di Bagnoreggio
6	Rome’	12	Viterbo/ Abano Laziale/ Tivoli
13 Castelli Romani Area/ Rome/ Departure			

