



## St. Ann's Parish

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### Pastoral Staff

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### Welcome and Registration

Welcome to all who worship with us today! May the Lord bless you! If you would like to register with our Parish, please fill out a registration form. These can be found at the main entrances. We ask you to inform our office if you are moving out of the parish.

**Memorial Donations:** Please keep our love for the parish alive: When recommending expressions of sympathy, please remember St. Ann Parish.

### Knights of Columbus

Grand Knight – Dan Marranta

[dannymarranta@gmail.com](mailto:dannymarranta@gmail.com)

### St. Vincent de Paul

Please call the parish office for more information.

### Parish Schools

St. Ann's	905.523.2340
St. Joachim's	905.523.2341
Holy Name of Mary	905.523.2342
Immaculate Conception	905.523.2463
Bishop Tonno Secondary	905.523.2331

### The Lord's Day Masses

Saturday 5:00p.m.; Sunday 9:00a.m. & 11:00a.m.

### Weekday Mass

Tuesday 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday—Friday 8:00 a.m.

### Reconciliation

Tuesday 6:00 p.m. – 6:45 p.m.

Saturday 4:00 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.

### Eucharistic Adoration

Friday 8:30 a.m.—9:15 a.m.

### Parish Office Hours

Monday to Thursday 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Friday 8:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

### Baptism

Please call the parish office. Six weeks notice is usually requested.

### Marriage

You are asked to call the parish office to make wedding arrangements at least six months in advance.

### Anointing of the Sick

Upon request. Please call the parish office.

### Catholic Funeral Rites

When a death occurs in your family, please call the parish office and we will assist you in making the necessary liturgical arrangements.

## Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time – September 10, 2023

### Mass Intentions

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time  
(September 10, 2023)

#### Tuesday, September 12

7:00p.m. † Nicola, Maria & Joe Bianco  
† Angelina Marasco  
Intentions of Theresa Sarabura  
† Mafalda Vicinotti  
Intentions of James & Lynn Vallentin

#### Wednesday, September 13

8:00a.m. Intentions of Rev. John Ha  
Special Intentions of a Parishioner

#### Thursday, September 14 *Exaltation of the Holy Cross*

8:00a.m. Intentions of Veronica Hong

#### Friday, September 15 *Our Lady of Sorrows*

8:00a.m. † Stanley & Jennie Durkacz

#### Saturday, September 16

5:00p.m. † Josh Macri  
† Andrzej Osuchowski  
† Heung Choi  
† Stan & Maria Filice  
† Adrian Van Halderan

### Diocesan Prayer Calendar

Week of the September 10, 2023

This week we especially pray for:

Monday	Rev. Ronald Voisin
Tuesday	Rev. Sam Restivo, C.R.
Wednesday	Missionary Sisters of Christ the King
Thursday	Rev. Roque Concepcion Exaltation of the Holy Cross
Friday	<i>Our Lady of Sorrows</i>
Saturday	Rev. George Nowak, C.R.

God, the source of creation and love, You invite each of us to serve You through the life which is your gift. May Your grace encourage men and women to heights of holiness through service to the Church as priests, sisters, brothers, and lay ministers. Make me an instrument to encourage others to give themselves and challenge me to do the same. Amen

## St. Ann, Pray for Us

### ST. ANN'S WOMENS' GROUP

Attention ladies of St Ann parish. We pray you are enjoying a blessed summer. It is hard to believe that fall is just around the corner. As a result we wanted to let you know that we will be offering a 6 week book study entitled "Be transformed, The Healing Power of the Sacraments" by Dr Bob Schuchts beginning Wednesday, October 4 at 7pm and ending Wednesday November 8. The format will consist of a book, a podcast and some small group discussion. Participants are asked to order their own books on line via The John Paul II Healing Centre (accessed via Google) or on Amazon. To register or if you have any questions email us [stannwomenoffaith@gmail.com](mailto:stannwomenoffaith@gmail.com) We hope to see many of you there!

### THE LEGION OF MARY

The Legion of Mary is a worldwide Catholic association of volunteers that has been in Canada since 1932. Legionaries strive to bring people "To Jesus, Through Mary" by meeting regularly to pray as well as through apostolic work assigned by our Parish Priest. The St. Ann's Legion of Mary meets every Thursday evening at 6pm at the church in the Marian room downstairs.

If you are interested in knowing more about the Legion of Mary or would like to attend a meeting, please call or text Julia at 289 489 9487.

### HAMILTON DIOCESAN MARIAN DAYS

These days will be celebrated from June to October 2023 at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate in Guelph. The day will start with Confessions at 9:00 a.m. followed by Mass at 10:00 a.m., Rosary Procession at 11:00 a.m. and lunch at 12:00 p.m., Holy Hour and "Marana tha" Marian Catechesis at 1:00 p.m. The day will close with Benediction at 2:00 p.m. Please bring your own lunch. Coffee and Tea will be available.

**October 7** with Thomas Cardinal Collins

### 40 DAYS FOR LIFE

From September 27, you're invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life - 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You're also invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way across the street from McMaster Children's Hospital and the "Termination of Pregnancy Clinic" on the corner of Main Street W and Broadway Ave., and also to help spread the word about this important community outreach. If you'd like more information - and especially if you'd like to volunteer to help, please contact: Maeve Roche at 289-659-5523 or via email at [Maeve@clife.ca](mailto:Maeve@clife.ca)

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### LUNCH SUPERVISOR POSITION AVAILABLE

Holy Name of Mary Catholic Elementary School is seeking a lunch supervisor. This is a paid position. Any interested applicants can contact [hnom@hwcdsb.ca](mailto:hnom@hwcdsb.ca) or 905-523-2342. Thank you for your consideration.



From the desk of:

**FR. PETER TUYEN  
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### WELCOME AND GOODBYE ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

We are glad to welcome Donna Slaviero to the parish! Her presence is well appreciated, and we are delighted she is here. Congratulations on being a part of our group.

Holly Lester's last day was Thursday! We are saying farewell, not goodbye to our Holly. Good luck with your new job! We thank Holly Lester for being such an important part of our team these past few years. The Diocese is lucky to have such a hard worker like Holly!

**Office Hours:** Monday – Thursday 8:30 am – 4:30 pm  
and Friday 8:30 am – 12:00 pm

Fr. Peter

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### TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Today, the twenty-third Sunday of ordinary time, the holy mother church reminds us of our responsibility towards one another and our society. Most importantly, she reminds us that dialogue and mutual love is the best method to promote reconciliation.

In the first reading, God reminds us, through Prophet Ezekiel, that we are responsible for one another. This is especially true regarding counseling and warning others of the consequences of their actions in order to save them. It takes love to warn, counsel or advice someone. So, we are to do this with love.

To say that we have a responsibility towards others is also to say that it has a consequence for us too. Therefore, the Lord says: “I will hold you responsible.” We must speak out, counsel, and even warn our brothers and sisters, children, friends, and relatives when they miss their path. Being indifferent to the decay (especially moral, cultural,

and spiritual) in our family, society, or community could be detrimental in the future. So, the onus lies on us to be our brother's keeper. This is what God is saying.

Unfortunately, today while things go wrong, some of us prefer to keep quiet, join the majority, or pretend nothing is wrong. We must make ourselves heard. This is because the indifference or silence we display today might haunt us tomorrow. However, we must be mindful that God says: “I do not delight in the death of a sinner...let him repent and live” (Ezek 18, 23). So, whatever action we take must be to correct, rebuild, and bring back the one on the wrong path.

In the second reading, Paul hits the nail right on the head: “Avoid getting into debt, except the debt of mutual love.” We must take note of the adjective “mutual” with which Paul qualified love. The quality of this love is not just a mere selfish feeling or desire to satisfy oneself. Instead, it is that which thinks and cares about the good and welfare of the other.

It can ultimately be known through the actions it prompts in us. This means it must be a relational love that cares, love that is ready to give, and love that reasons. It is mutual love because it takes and shares responsibility. It counsels, accepts good counsel, corrects, and accepts corrections. It is generous and helps the other see clearly. It is love at its best in 1 Cor 13. It is simple, responsive, and responsible.

In the gospel, Jesus gives us the principles of reconciliation. This means that conflicts are inevitable. They must come and are inevitable in relationships, families, and communities. However, the question is how do we resolve them amicably? It is important to note that dialogue is at the center of Jesus' principle. Ability to counsel and talk over issues, to see things from the perspective of others, or to empathize with others.

Hence, Christ gives us a three-dimensional principle of reconciliation. First, we must sit down and dialogue one on one and face-to-face. Then, seek the mediation of a good friend, and finally, seek the mediation of our community or family. As Christians, how do we resolve our problems today? Take a pound of flesh from the other, or go straight to the court of law? We must note the three basic steps that Christ gives us today.

Unfortunately, today, we neglect all these basic steps and go straight to: “treat him like a tax collector.” Before this, if necessary, we must make all efforts to reconcile with others through dialogue. Dialogue fosters mutual respect for the other; it saves us a lot of energy, time, and the cost of lawsuits. Finally, it fosters mutual love and restores relationships. When we dialogue and agree, God, seals it with a great amen.”

<https://francenijoku.com/2023/09/04/homily-for-the-23rd-sunday-of-ordinary-time-year-a>