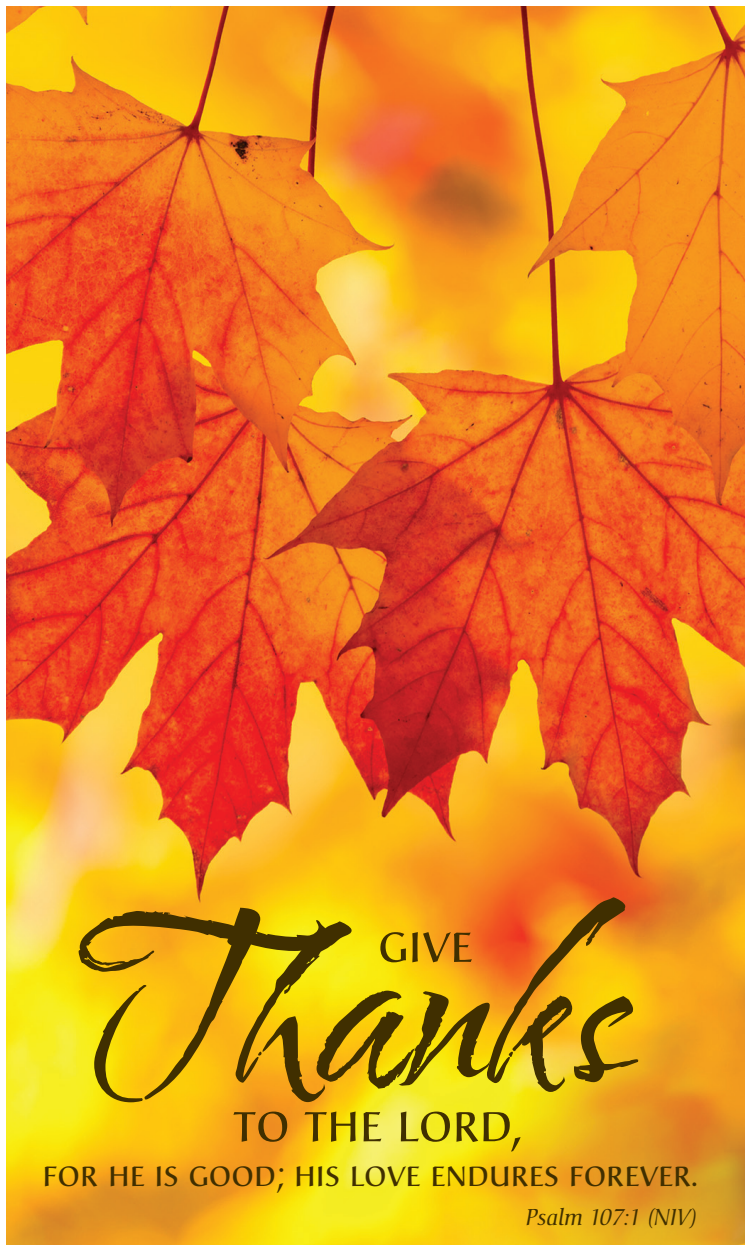




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A Thanksgiving Table Prayer

O Gracious God, we give you thanks for your overflowing generosity to us. Thank you for the blessings of the food we eat and especially for this feast today. Thank you for our home and family and friends, especially for the presence of those gathered here. Thank you for our health, our work and our play. Please send help to those who are hungry, alone, sick and suffering war and violence. Open our hearts to your love. We ask your blessing through Christ your Son. Amen.

— CELEBRATING FAITH: YEAR-ROUND ACTIVITIES FOR CATHOLIC FAMILIES,
BY MARY CRONK FARRELL

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MONDAY - THURSDAY 9:00 am
FRIDAY 7:00 pm
SATURDAY 9:00 am

SUNDAY MASS

SATURDAY 5:00 pm
SUNDAY 8:30 am | 10:15 am | 12:00 pm

HOLY HOUR

FRIDAY 6:00 pm - 7:00pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

FRIDAY 6:00 pm - 6:45 pm
SATURDAY 4:00 pm - 4:45 pm
or by appointment

OFFICE HOURS

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SUNDAY 9:30 am - 2:00 pm

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A THANKSGIVING PRAYER

Father in Heaven, Creator of all and source of all goodness and love, please look kindly upon us and receive our heartfelt gratitude in this time of giving thanks.

Thank you for all the graces and blessings. You have bestowed upon us, spiritual and temporal: our faith and religious heritage. Our food and shelter, our health, the loves we have for one another, our family and friends.

Dear Father, in Your infinite generosity, please grant us continued graces and blessing throughout the coming year.

This we ask in the Name of Jesus, Your Son and our Brother. Amen.

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9:00 AM S.I. SARAH CLEMENTS
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TUESDAY, 10 OCTOBER

9:00 AM S.I. IN THANKSGIVING TO OUR BLESSED MOTHER
+ AMPARO CANDA
+ NILDA LABALAH

WEDNESDAY, 11 OCTOBER *St. John XXIII*

9:00 AM S.I. IN THANKSGIVING FOR SABRINA MA
+ ERASMUS VIEGAS
+ CHARLES & CECILA CLEMENTS

THURSDAY, 12 OCTOBER

9:00 AM S.I. NEKESHIA CARACCILO
+ JAUN CARLOS ARANETA

FRIDAY, 13 OCTOBER

7:00 PM S.I. JAIME & TERESITA YAMSON
+ ELEONORA CHOW
+ EDWINA MALONEY & LUIGI LAMANNA

SATURDAY, 14 OCTOBER *St. Callistus*

9:00 AM + ALL SOULS IN PURGATORY
5:00 PM S.I. TO ST ANTHONY FOR FAVOURS RECEIVED
+ MAUREEN KELLY
+ EVANS PAUL & MINITA ANDREWS

SUNDAY, 15 OCTOBER

8:30 AM + ANTONIO AREOLA
+ FENNY UMayAM
10:15 AM + BAPTIST & HELEN D'SOUZA
+ ANASTACIO, LEVY, ABRAHAM, & TEODRICO VALENZUELA
12:00 PM FOR THE PEOPLE OF OUR PARISH
7:00 PM + FREDERICK & CARMEN OCLAM
+ NORBERTO & VIRGILIA TEOFILO
+ PINUCCIA TACCONE

FINANCIAL UPDATE FOR SEPTEMBER 2023

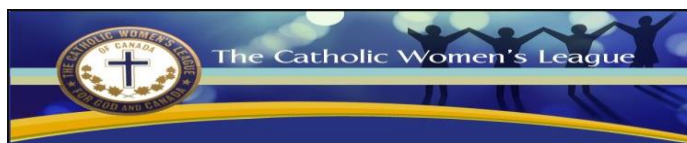
	<u>GOAL</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>
SUNDAY OFFERTORY	\$60,000	\$41,172
MORTGAGE FUND	\$10,000	\$5,328
BUILDING FUND	\$5,000	\$4,186
DEBT OUTSTANDING		\$1,961,459



"Father, I thank thee that thou hast heard me. I knew that thou hearest me always".

- John 11:41-42

May this Thanksgiving season bring many moments of happiness and the coming year be filled with many more blessings for you.



The CWL will be having a General Meeting on October 11th at 7pm. It is a potluck so bring your favourite dish. All are welcome! This is an election year for our council, so please bring your nomination forms as tis is the deadline for submitting.

The CWL craft class will take place on October 12th from 10am to 12pm. Please join us with your own projects and ideas for a coffee and fellowship. All are welcome!

SVDP BUNDLE SUNDAY

Calling all Spring Cleaners! The St. Vincent de Paul society will be collecting gently used clothing and linens on the weekend of October 14/15. You can drop off your items at the truck that will be located in the east parking lot. Please note they are not accepting any appliances, furniture, mattresses or dishes.



Do you or someone you know have a business you would like to advertise in our church bulletin? We would love to have you! Limited space is available. For details, please email: bulletins.sfds@gmail.com.



Please note, the parish office will also be closed on Monday 9 October due to the Thanksgiving long weekend.

ROSARY PROCESSION



On Friday 13th October, the St Francis de Sales Legion of Mary will be having a Rosary Procession at 6:30 PM in the parking lot followed by evening Mass in the church. All parishioners are welcome.

Let us pray! For the sick members of our parish and for those who love and minister to them.



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QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

My husband/wife and I were married outside of the Catholic Church. However, he/she does not want to have the marriage blessed in the Catholic Church. What can I do?

If your husband/wife is unwilling to have your marriage blessed in the Catholic Church, you (the interested party) can still approach us priests for an appointment and we can do our best to have your marriage recognized by the Church. *Until your marriage is blessed by a priest or deacon, we ask that you just receive a blessing at Communion time by crossing your arms over your chest, instead of receiving the Eucharist.* Holy Communion (between Christ and His Bride the Church) is reflected in the Eucharist and so it should be reflected in a holy common union between husband and wife, the way Christ intended marriage to be.

Has a Catholic ever been “legitimately” married outside the Catholic Church without ever having to get the marriage blessed by a priest?

Yes, within certain parameters a Catholic can be married legitimately outside the Catholic Church. For this to happen, the bishop’s office is usually involved to grant this permission.

In last week’s bulletin, you stated that marriage is linked to one’s salvation, that is, saving one’s soul. Can you explain this some more?

God made Marriage in His Image and Likeness. In Marriage, a person goes from an “I” to a “WE”; from a singular “entity” to a plural entity. One can even say that in Marriage there are two “I’s”.

In the Marriage ceremony the purpose of our earthly life is driven home to the couple, in that, God has put them into each other’s life so that they can help each other get to heaven. The four vows which a couple takes in a Catholic ceremony mimics the relationship between Jesus and His Bride. Marriage outside the Catholic Church does not stress this point.

We all want to spend our eternity in heaven with God and we should also want it for our spouse and by extension the children that will come from that union. In Marriage, Christ provides all the necessary graces needed for an intimate union.

Sacrament Registration for First Reconciliation/Communion & Confirmation

We are so excited to begin another sacramental year! It has been so nice to see all of our sacramental families over the last couple weeks for the First Reconciliation/Communion and Confirmation meetings. These meetings are mandatory for your child to receive their sacrament for the 2023/2024 year. **If you missed the above meetings, we will have one final make-up meeting on Thursday October 12th at 7:00pm, at the Parish for both First Communion and Confirmation.** Please contact Dawn Selda if you will be attending for First Communion and Noah Aquino if you will be attending for Confirmation. **If you attended the registration meeting already but did not submit your child’s registration forms yet, please ensure you communicate with the coordinators to arrange a time to drop off the forms.** Your child’s passport will be given once all forms are received. Please remember to pick up a bulletin and have your child have that stamped at the passport stamping table until your child receives their passport

We are looking forward to seeing all of the children and their families at Mass, as they prepare for these very special sacraments!

God Bless, Dawn Selda and Noah Aquino

First Reconciliation/Communion & Confirmation Make-up Meeting	Paperwork Required
Thursday October 12 th at 7 PM	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Completed registration form 2. Copy of your child’s Baptismal certificate 3. Registration fee For Confirmation the following is also required: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. Sponsor’s paper work which includes a copy of <u>sponsor’s Baptism AND Confirmation certificates</u>

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