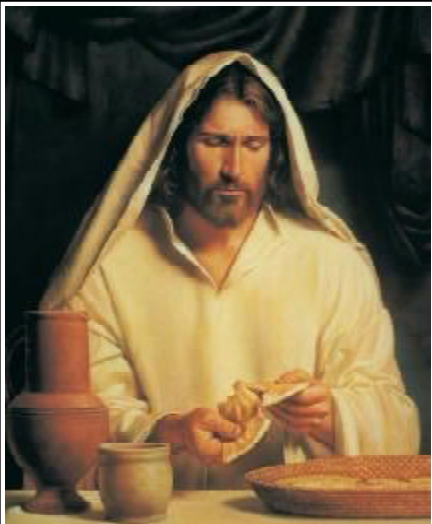


August 4, 2024 18th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



"I am the Bread of Life, whoever comes to Me will never hunger" (Jn. 6)

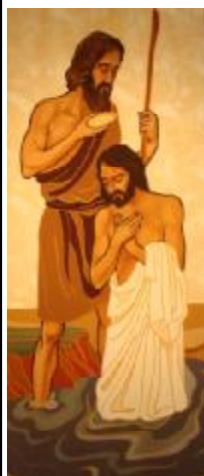
Sun., Aug. 4th +++ St. John Vianney, *Patron of Diocesan Priests*
 Mon., Aug. 5th 12:10 pm Mass of Dedication of St. Mary Majors
 Civic Holiday (*Office is closed*)
 Tues., Aug. 6th 9:00 am SOLEMN MASS OF THE TRANSFIGURATION
 OF THE LORD
 Wed., Aug. 7th 9:00 am Weekday Mass (*St. Cajetan & Pope St. Sixtus II*)
 Thurs., Aug. 8th 9:00 am FEASTDAY MASS OF ST. DOMINIC
 Fri., Aug. 9th 9:00 am Weekday Mass (*St. Theresa Benedicta*)
 Sat., Aug. 10th 5:00 pm VIGIL: 19th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
 + St. Lawrence, *Deacon & Martyr*
 Sun., Aug. 11th  MASSES: 19th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
 + First Communion Mass for Delilah Brusadin



WOULD YOU LIKE TO BECOME A CATHOLIC?

If you are an adult and have not been baptized OR ... if you were baptized in another Christian Faith but now wish to become a Catholic, call our Office at 622-5389, to register for R.C.I.A., which begins in the Fall.

A SPECIAL WEEKEND OF REBIRTH AND GOD'S BLESSINGS FOR TWO CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILY!

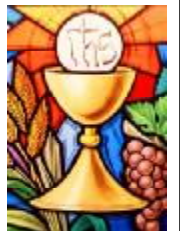


THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM FOR DELILAH AND JAXON BRUSADIN

These two children live in Southern Ontario and have travelled here with their parents, **Sonia and Trevor Brusadin** to celebrate their Baptism in our Cathedral this weekend. Best wishes to them, to their parents, and to their grandparents, **Pam and Juliano Brusadin**.

DELILAH'S FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Delilah, the older sister, will be celebrating her her First Holy Communion in our Cathedral at the 10:30 am Mass this Sunday.



GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

We are planning to offer this free program, beginning in October.

Participation in the Group is open to adults who have lost a loved one to death in the last two years.

Those who are interested in participating are asked to contact our Parish Office at 807-622-5389, and to leave their name and contact information for registration.



DONATIONS TO OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

Last Sunday's Collection	\$ 4,695.15
On-Line Donations	70.00
Votive Candles	79.00
St. Anthony Poor Fund	6.55

We are happy to announce that our own parishioner, **Dave Bragnalo** won \$ 2,710. in our July 50/50 Raffle Draw. +++ Winning Ticket # D-7013 +++ CONGRATULATIONS!

"ST. PAT'S HAT" DONATIONS THIS WEEK

Parish Net Share of 50/50 July Raffle	\$ 2,064.00
Renovations Collection (<i>partial</i>)	1,085.00
Free Will and On-line Donations	110.00



Donation Totals this Week

TOTAL PLEDGED/COLLECTED TO DATE

*** \$ 1,136,693.00 ***





LOOKING AHEAD TO 2025

Our own St. Patrick's League Council will be hosting the next Catholic Women's League Diocesan Convention in our Cathedral and Auditorium on April 25 and 26, 2025. MARK YOUR CALENDARS!



Knights of Columbus



OUR INVITATION TO YOU

The Knights of Columbus invite all men of faith to the next 'COR PROGRAM' Session to be held on Saturday, August 17th at 9:00 am at the Columbus Centre, 301 May St. S. This program offers men an opportunity to explore their faith and enter into a deeper relationship with Christ by focusing on three elements: prayer, formation & fraternity. For further information, please contact:

Bruce Sutton at 807-632-3120

UPCOMING WEDDINGS

1. Matthias Gardiman and Janelle DeRosa
(Wedding: Aug. 10, 2024)
2. Russell Waldon and Mariella Coltellaro
(Wedding: Sept. 14, 2024)



Development and Peace
CARITAS CANADA

In Haiti, our Canadian Organization works with IRATAM to strengthen women farmers' resilience and autonomy, supporting poultry, egg, fruit and vegetable production.

As we know, a plaque with the symbolic representation of the four Gospel writers is installed on the front of our Cathedral's Ambo (pulpit). I have reprinted for you this description of it, since many have recently asked me to explain once again, its significance in this column. P.S.

Since excerpts from the four Gospels are proclaimed each day from the 'ambo' (pulpit), it is fitting that depictions of their authors should be displayed on it. These wood-carved statuettes that are grouped around a stylized Cross, represent all four, as they are depicted in the Bible's 'Book of Revelations'.

Why These Symbolic Creatures?

The Book of Revelations or the Book of the Apocolypse, as it is sometimes called, is written in code form, so that the persecuting Romans of the period would not discern references made to living or deceased Christians of that time. In



this Book, the four Gospel writers are depicted as symbolic winged creatures (see: Revelations 4:6-8). The writer of the Book of Revelations chose these specific representations of the four Gospel writers for the following reasons:

◆ Matthew is represented as a *human faced being* because his Gospel underlines the fact that Jesus, though God's Son, was also a human being, the Jewish son of Mary;

◆ Mark is depicted as a *winged lion* because he begins his Gospel by introducing to us, the figure of John the Baptist, who preached in the desert "like a roaring lion". Since St. Mark is the Patron Saint of Venice, statues of winged lions are prominent everywhere in that City.

◆ For the Jews, the ox, like the lamb, was regarded as a sacred sacrificial animal.

It is used here to represent Luke, because this third writer often speaks of Christ's death in His Gospel as the 'Sacrifice' offered to forgive our sins.

◆ The most unique of the four Gospels is John's. Unlike the other

three it figuratively, 'soars above them' in its poetic and literary style, like an eagle that soars above the other birds in nature. For this reason, John is traditionally depicted in Christian art, as a flying eagle.

Wings and Eyes

The mention of wings and many eyes in reference to these Gospel writer symbols in the Book of Revelations denotes their sanctity and extraterrestrial existence.