

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year A

September 27, 2026

Mass Intentions

September 29 - October 4, 2026

As we gather, let us remember and pray for....

Tues. ~ 9:00am	,Sts. Michael, Gabriel & Raphael, Archangels Sept. 29th + Ken & Cindy Smith <i>(by Nancy Winslow)</i>
Wed. ~ 9:00am	St. Jerome, Doctor of the Church..... Sept. 30th + Pietro Elia <i>(by Connie & Louis Elia)</i>
Thurs. ~ 9:00am	St. Therese of Child Jesus, Doctor of the Church Oct. 1st + Mario Di Iorio <i>(by Ranucci Family)</i>
Fri. ~ 9:00am	The Holy Guardian Angels..... Oct. 2nd + Pietro & Ursula Elia + Michael & Olga D'Alessio <i>(by Connie & Louis Elia)</i>
Sat. ~ 9:00pm	 Oct. 3rd + Orma & Archie Dell <i>(by Josie & Vern Dell)</i>
5:00pm	Pro Populo Dei
Sun. ~ 9:00am	 Oct. 4th + Maria Armandina Da Silva <i>(by Cristina Badia)</i>
11:00am	+ Jean Coyle <i>(by Mark & Andrea Boria)</i>

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POPE LEO'S SEPTEMBER INTENTIONS

For the care of water

Let us pray for a just and sustainable management of water, a vital resource, so everyone may have equal access to it.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION:

A Registration meeting for parents and grade 8 students, who are already baptised in the Roman Catholic Church & have received their First Communion and wish to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation this school year will take place on **WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 30, 2026 AT 7:00P.M.** in the parish hall. Students are welcome.



This week the Sanctuary Lamp burns in memory of
DORIS DOTTORI

The Sanctuary Lamp burns to remind us of Christ's presence in the Blessed Sacrament of the altar.



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Tuesday to Saturday after **9:00am** Mass.

SACRED ART - BEAUTY THAT LEADS US TO GOD

What can we benefit from investing in Sacred Art today?

Investing in sacred art enriches Catholic churches by lifting hearts and minds toward God. Beauty can speak where words fall short, helping people pray, reflect, and encounter the mysteries of faith. Stained glass, statues, paintings, and sacred symbols teach Scripture and Catholic tradition to children, visitors, and future generations. Sacred art also creates a more reverent atmosphere for the celebration of the Eucharist and the sacraments. It strengthens Catholic identity, honors the sacrifices of parishioners, and becomes a lasting legacy of faith. By beautifying God's house, we affirm that worship deserves our very best and invite everyone to experience God's beauty.

How we will pay for it?

The projects will be funded entirely through voluntary contributions from generous parishioners, benefactors and families, who value sacred beauty. Donations may be offered in memory of loved ones, as family dedications, or as personal gifts. **No fundraising** events will be organized; participation will remain completely voluntary and prayerful. Tax receipts will be issued for those donations.

More information will be provided in coming weeks. This sacred art projects will mark an exciting new chapter in the life of our parish. Together, we can create a church interior that inspires prayer, reflects our Catholic faith, and welcomes generations to come. Through the voluntary generosity of benefactors, donors, families, and parishioners, this beautiful vision can become reality.

Please mark you calendar **Thursday October 29** for an official unveiling of the icon of "**Christus Vincit**" at the church **at 6:00pm** with meeting of the artist Beata O'Connell followed by Harvest Supper at the hall. More details to follow.



THURSDAY MORNING BINGO

In the St. Helen Church Hall

4106 Mountain Rd., Beamsville, ON

Doors open at 10:00am, Bingo games start at 11:00am

Delicious Lunch Available

FRIDAY EVENING BINGO

Pizza available at 6:00pm, games start at 7:00pm

FIRST CONFESSION & FIRST COMMUNION:

A Registration meeting for parents of grade 2 students baptised in the Roman Catholic Church, who wish for their children to receive the Sacraments of First Confession and First Communion this school year will take place on **TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 29, 2026 AT 7:00P.M.** in the parish hall.

DIOCESAN SEPARATED & DIVORCED HEALING MINISTRY SUPPORT GROUP

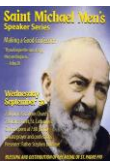
We meet every second and fourth Monday at Mount Carmel Spiritual Centre.

Next Meeting: September 28 from 7:00pm - 9:00pm

Topic: Coping With Stress

For more information, please call 905-356-4113 or email: separateanddivorced@saintcd.com

SAINT MICHAEL CATHOLIC MEN'S SPEAKER SERIES



Speaker: Fr. Stephen Bruzzese

Subject: Making a Good Confession

Date: Wednesday, September 30, 2027

Doors open: 7:00pm prayers and confession

Talk: 7:30pm

Location: St. Denis Parish

230 Lake St, St. Catharines

Blessings & distribution of the medal of Padre Pio

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st.h.prayerwarriors@gmail.com

BLEESSING OF THE PETS

On Saturday **October 3** right after **9:00am Mass** we will be having blessing of the pets. In the Year of Grace on the occasion of 800 years of death of St. Francis of Assisi we will honor him by prayerful participation in this event.

THE GREAT ADVENTURE

Take a quick journey through Salvation history in "Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible", 8 – part Bible study featuring Jeff Cavins. Many people want to read the Bible because they know it is God's Word, but they give up because it seems so complicated. **Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible** helps you to get the "big picture" of the Bible by showing how fourteen narrative books of the Bible tell the complete story from Adam and Eve to Christ and the Church.

Our sessions will run every **Wednesday from October 7 to November 25 at 7:00pm** at the parish hall. The cost is \$35.00 per person. Sessions, will run approx. one hour and half and include video, group discussion and some homework. **Only 3 spots available.** Call parish office to register.

COLLECTION FOR THE NEEDS OF THE CHURCH IN CANADA

The annual Collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada will be held this weekend **September 26 and 27**. This annual Collection supports the shared mission of the Church in Canada and helps the Bishops carry out pastoral work that serves dioceses, eparchies and the faithful across the country. Envelopes were attached to last weekend bulletin. Extra envelopes can also be found at the entrance of the church on the round table.

LIFE CHAIN BEAMSVILLE

On **Sunday, October 4 from 1:00 to 2:00pm** we plan to gather along **King St. between Ontario St & Mountain St** to pray for an end to abortion and for all those who have been affected by abortion. We will be joining our prayers with thousands of people in over 1,800 locations across Canada and the United States who will be forming Life Chains in their communities on the same day!

We will pray silently and hold professionally-printed signs provided at the site. This is a local witness intended to generate thought and discussion within our community and to demonstrate that abortion is not a closed or settled issue in this country.

2027 MASS INTENTION BOOK

Our **2027 Mass Intention Book** has arrived. Since we don't want to repeat the same situation from this year, when we ran out of dates at the end of April, we are taking Mass intentions only until the **end of June** at this time. After New Years, you will be able to book intentions for the remaining 6 months. This will allow us to have flexibility to schedule Masses in case of unforeseen circumstances (funerals, someone sick, etc.)

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Est. as a Parish - January 1, 1986

Sunday Masses:
SATURDAY: 5:00PM
SUNDAY: 9:00AM & 11:00AM

Weekday Masses:
TUESDAY - FRIDAY: 9:00AM
(unless otherwise posted in the bulletin)

Adoration:
Daily after morning Mass weekdays.

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SACRAMENTS

Baptism:
1st & 3rd Sunday at 12:30 pm
Call parish office.

1st Communion & Confirmation
Contact the Parish Office.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:
Every Saturday 4:00pm - 4:30pm
or by appointment with the priest.

Marriage:
Arrangements six months in advance.
Marriage preparation is required.

RCIA & RCIC:
Contact the Parish Office.

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick:
Please let us know when someone has a serious or prolonged illness or is to have surgery. This sacrament celebrates the healing of mind and body and the forgiveness of sins.

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.

Chronic Care Facilities:
Pastoral visits are made monthly.
Reception of Holy Communion is available to residents.

HOMEBOUND:
Notify the Parish Office when serious illness occurs. When the sick, aged or incapacitated are confined to home for an extended time, pastoral visit can be arranged.

SCHOOLS

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