TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Our readings make it clear that we cannot settle for being followers of Christ in name alone. We must be prepared to walk through the narrow gate. As Isaiah prophesized, God, who knows the thoughts and deeds of all, will summon the upright of every nation to serve on his Holy Mountain.

The work that Pope Francis put before all people of good will to safeguard creation was one in which he echoed God's summons to all people to participate in the reign of God. And it reflected the vision given to Isaiah on the day when all nations will come together at the call of God to create the peaceable kingdom. Language will not be a barrier as God breaks through human divisions to establish peace, justice, truth and love among all peoples. Pope Francis proposed that we be guided by such a vision when he called upon everyone to take part in the dialogue about the future of our common home. Of course, the task of living most justly and ecologically is not an easy one. Changing mentalities and changing lifestyle demands sacrifice and discipline. But we must strengthen our drooping hands and weak knees so that we will be able to sustain the journey. The good news is that change is possible. We can build a more just world in which those who are now last will be given the priority they should. God's kingdom is not a reality to be found only at the end of time: It can break into the present moment.

We human beings must be willing to take up our role as responsible stewards of our world, working together to defend creation, the common home in which the poor and the rich alike dwell. Let us ask for a deeper appreciation of how all things are connected.

(Rev. Saju Oreethaparambil, C.Ss.R.)

Mass for the Intentions Week

Monday,	August 18	9:00 a.m

Luigi and Annunziata Rao req Lina Raso
Virginia Pretto req Theresa Didero and John Cancian
Soul of Rosabelle Delizo req Rebecca Ramos

Intentions of Joy Gisha family req Joy

Tuesday, August 19 9:00 a.m.

In memory of Rosalina Abellera req Ruby Benitez
Leo Didero req Theresa Didero and John Cancian
Repose of souls of Ed and Esther Hickey req Erin Hickey
Soul of Rosabelle Delizo req Rebecca Ramos

Wednesday, August 20 9:00 a.m.

All souls in purgatory req Benilda Fajardo

Birthday blessings Joseph Gustin

req Andrew and Susan Miller

Special intentions of the Ssemanda family

req Marie and Martin

Soul of Rosabelle Delizo req Rebecca Ramos

Thursday, August 21 9:00 a.m.

Alice and Ed Zebroski req Krystyna Zeglinska
Maria Santos req Grace Kennedy
All souls in purgatory especially the deceased members of
Friends Of Suffering Souls req Erin Hickey
Soul of Rosabelle Delizo req Rebecca Ramos

Friday, August 22 Friday 9:00 a.m.

Daniel and David Raso req Lina Raso
Stephen Kirkpatrick req Janet Martin
Rosabelle Delizo req Rebecca Ramos

Saturday, August 23 5:00 p.m.

Birthday blessings for Joanne Sy Lim req Felisa Go
Kit Lumanog req Lolita Pascua
Rosabelle Delizo req Rebecca Ramos

Sunday, August 24 10:00 a.m.

For St. Charles Garnier Parish Community



SANCTUARY LAMP INTENTIONS
Our Sanctuary Lamp burns continually
in the presence of our Lord Jesus in the
Blessed Sacrament. This week the

Lamp burns for:

Healing and intentions of Hendrickson Sy and Manuel Go requested by: Felisa Go August 9/10, 2025



Sunday Offering Loose Offering \$ 1,490.00 378.00

Thank you for your generosity and continued support to St. Charles Garnier Parish.

OUTSIDE CONCRETE WORK

We are grateful for the good concrete work which has beautified the front of the church. There cannot be any equipment or cars on the surface until the end of August. Please do not park on the concrete during this time of curing of the concrete. Thank you for your cooperation.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS TO ALL OUR PILGRIMS TO THE CANADIAN MARTYRS SHRINE

- 1. PLEASE BE AT THE ST. CHARLES GARNIER SCHOOL PARKING LOT AT LEAST BY 7:30 A. M. IN THE MORNING, ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 23, 2025.
- 2. THE BUS WILL DEPART FROM ST. CHARLES GARNIER PARISH EXACTLY AT 8:00 A.M. SHARP.
- 3. WE HOPE TO RETURN TO HAMILTON BY 7:00 P.M.
- 4. HEALING MASS AT THE SHRINE IS AT 1:30 P.M.
- 5. PLEASE DO NOT FORGET TO BRING YOUR OWN BAGGED LUNCH.

WE DO APPRECIATE YOUR COOPERATION. Please pray for all the pilgrims and their intentions!

Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path (Ps. 119:105)

St. Bernard of Clairvaux August 20

St. Bernard of Clairvaux (1090-1153) was a monk and abbot, a Doctor of the Church, advisor to popes, preacher of the Second Crusade and was known for his devotion to the Blessed Mother. He is known for writing the *Memorare prayer*. He was canonized on Jan. 18, 1174.

PRIESTS RETREAT

Priests of the Diocese of Hamilton will be having their annual Priests Retreat from August 18 to 22, 2025. Please pray for all the priests who will be attending this retreat especially Fr. Saju our Pastor who is attending the retreat. Please note, **our daily Holy Mass will continue every day as usual without interruption.** Please inform others who want to attend daily Mass on those days.



BIBLE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

"Have no anxiety about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which passes all understanding, will keep your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus."

Philippians 4:6



The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary August 22

In Revelation 12, Mary is described as both Queen and Mother, representing both herself, as Mother of

the Redeemer, and the Church, in her continuing battle against the Evil One.

Assumed into Heaven, Mary sits at the right hand of Her Son, from where she intercedes on our behalf, so that we, as her spiritual children, may also share in Her Son's Kingdom.

(cf. Rev.4:4.) As a child calls for his mother when he is scared or hurt, we can always call on our heavenly Mother when we have any need.