SUNDAY (Liturgical Publications will insert correct Sunday)

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



In our gospel today, the Pharisees were asking Jesus about civic duty. They asked Him: "Is it lawful to pay tax to the emperor or not?" Jesus answered them: "Give to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God.

We all know that if Jesus would say YES, the people would resent and reject Him because nobody likes to pay taxes especially to foreign government, the Roman government, who dominated them during that time. For the Jews, it is an insult to their religion and a blasphemy against God because they held that only Yahweh is their King. Their nation was a theocracy and to pay taxes to an earthly king was to admit the validity of his kingship and thereby to insult God.

On the other hand, if Jesus says NO, the Pharisees will report Him to the Roman government as a revolutionary person or an insurrectionist. The Roman government would then arrest Him and put Him into prison. But Jesus did not bite their trap on Him. What Jesus meant here is that he points out that we are citizens of two worlds – the world we see and the unseen world. As such, we have duties in both worlds, that is, to a person and to God. It is like love your God and love your neighbor as you love yourself. Our duties to a person include not only what we owe to the government, like paying taxes and allegiance, but also what we owe to others. These include taking good care of their health, giving them education, giving them time to rest and to relax, especially workers and laborers. A Christian, because he is a Christian, he must be a responsible citizen of his own country, that is, if he fails in being a good citizen, he is a failure too in his Christian duty.

But the Christian is also a citizen of heaven. There are matters of religion and religious principles in which the responsibility of the Christian is to God. As Christians, we owe to God praise and thanksgiving, honor, and glory. In other words, we owe to God worship because He is All Good and the source of all that we have and all that we are.

Fr. Saju Oreethaparambil, C.Ss.R.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, October 19 — 9:00 a.m.

- Souls in purgatory req Benilda Fajardo
- Fe Dizon req Myrna Dizon
- Lisa and Kenneth req Irene and Antony Man
- Dino Vagnoni req Donna Marcaccio

Tuesday, October 20 — 5:00 p.m.

NO MORNING MASS

JUBILEE THANKSGIVING MASS

Tuesday, October 20, 2026

5:00 p.m. Main Celebrant:

His Excellency Bishop Joseph Dabrowski, C.S.M.A.

❖ **For St. Charles Garnier Parish Community**

Wednesday, October 21 — 9:00 a.m.

- Soul of Arthur Tarasuk req Susan Harper
- Healing of Ron Clement req Andrew and Susan Miller

Thursday, October 22 — 9:00 a.m.

- Angela Brougly req Susan Harper
- Repose of the soul of Leopoldo Rimando req Flo and family

Friday, October 23 — 9:00 a.m.

- Maria Luigi Sottile req Carmelina Luigi
- In memory of David Nelligan req Jackie Sherk and Nelligan families
- Kirby Jana Mallo req Edwin and Emily Evangelista

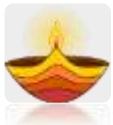
Saturday, October 24 — 5:00 p.m.

- Thanksgiving req Felisa Go
- Birthday blessings and thanksgiving for Mariecel Sanchez req Maria Fe
- Irene and Antony Man req Irene and Antony Man
- Soul of Manuel Barrientos req Frank and Fe Barrientos

Sunday, October 25 — 10:00 am

For St. Charles Garnier Parish Community

SANCTUARY LAMP INTENTIONS



This week the lamp burns:

- **For the Sanchez family, Terrance Kersteins and all souls in purgatory req Maria Fe and Mariecel Sanchez**
- **Special intentions and healing of Hendrickson Sy and Millie Mae Pua req Felisa Go**

***"The light shines in the darkness and the darkness does not overcome it."* (Jn. 1:5)**

October 10/11, 2026

PARISH SUPPORT

Sunday Offering $1,940.00
Loose Offering 604.00

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

60th ANNIVERSARY – DIAMOND JUBILEE CELEBRATION (1966–2026)

With great joy, we invite all our parishioners, families, and friends to celebrate 60 wonderful years of St. Charles Garnier Parish. Let us come together as one parish family to give thanks to God, celebrate our journey of faith, and look forward to the future with hope and joy.

JUBILEE THANKSGIVING MASS
Tuesday, October 20, 2026
5:00 p.m. Main Celebrant:
His Excellency Bishop Joseph Dabrowski, C.S.M.A.

JUBILEE DINNER: 7:00 p.m.
Parish Hall, St. Naum Church, 1150 Stone Church Road East, Hamilton, ON L8W 2C7

"The Lord has done great things for us; We are glad." (Ps.126:3)



HEALING MASS
FEAST OF SAINT JUDE
WEDNESDAY 28TH OF OCTOBER 2026

6:00 p.m. ADORATION
7:00 p.m. HEALING MASS & ANOINTING WITH HOLY OIL

***"Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer."* (Romans 12:12)**.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

We are looking for volunteers to help clean our church in preparation for our **Jubilee Holy Mass with His Excellency, Bishop Dawbrowski.**

Monday, October 19th
After the 9:00 AM Holy Mass

Your time and help are appreciated as we prepare our church for this special and blessed celebration.

Many hands make light work! Thank you always for your generosity and support. God bless you!

ST. CHARLES GARNIER PARISH DIAMOND JUBILEE CELEBRATION

Jubilee Thanksgiving Mass
Tuesday, October 20, 2026, at 5:00 p.m.

Dear Parishioners,

As we prepare to celebrate the **60th Anniversary of St. Charles Garnier Parish**, with Bishop Joseph Dabrowski as our principal celebrant, I warmly invite all parishioners to join us for this joyful and historic occasion. Please invite your family and friends to share in this special celebration of faith, gratitude, and fellowship.

All dinner tickets have been sold, and we are grateful for your wonderful support. However, **the Jubilee Mass is for our entire parish family, and everyone is encouraged to attend.**

To help create an atmosphere of prayer and reverence, please arrive at least **10 minutes early** and spend a few moments in silent prayer before Mass begins. Kindly switch off your mobile phones and help maintain the sacredness of our celebration. Let us make this a beautiful and memorable occasion for everyone through our prayerful participation, charitable hearts, warm welcome, and kindness toward one another.

Thank you for everything you do for our Parish and for being part of our 60 years of faith, hope, and witness. May the Lord continue to bless our parish family as we celebrate His goodness and look forward to the years ahead.

"The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy." (Psalm 126:3)



OCTOBER: THE MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY

The Rosary remains a powerful prayer that continues to draw people closer to God and strengthen their spiritual lives. Whether praying for peace, for family, or for the Church, the Rosary is a symbol of hope and a channel of grace. As we dedicate October to the Holy Rosary, let us make the Rosary part of our daily prayer. Whether we pray a whole Rosary or begin with just one decade, let us take a few moments each day to be with Mary and draw closer to Jesus.

Blessed Virgin Mary, Our Lady of the Rosary. pray for us

MONTHLY COFFEE TIME



Join us on Sunday, Oct. 25, 2026, following the 10:00 a.m. Holy Mass. Please bring a refreshment to share, while we enjoy the opportunity to connect with fellow parishioners. Thank you!