

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time - September 24, 2017

**Intentions** - In loving memory of **Lorena Nesbitt**, requested by Marilyn Deslauriers.

Intentions are \$15.00

**Offertory Collection**

September 17 - \$647.85

Thank You



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**Saint Robert Bellarmine:** Saint Robert Bellarmine is one of the Church's great apologists. Born in Tuscany, Italy, in 1542, he entered the Jesuits in 1560 and was renowned for his preaching even before his ordination in 1570. After years of study and teaching, he was made Professor of Controversial Theology at the Roman College. Robert's many roles included reviser of the Latin Vulgate Bible, advisor to Galileo, author of two catechisms, director of the Roman College, leader in the Catholic Reformation, head of the Vatican library, and theological consultant to the Holy See.

Appointed cardinal in 1599 and archbishop of Capua in 1602, he was greatly loved as a pastor. He died in 1621, was canonized in 1930 and declared a Doctor of the Church in 1931.

He is patron of catechists and catechumens.

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**Saint Januarius:** Little is known about the life or martyrdom of Saint Januarius. His fame is centered on a relic, said to contain his blood, which is kept in the cathedral at Naples. Early devotion to the saint was based on the belief that Januarius, an Italian bishop, lived in the 4th century and was martyred during the Diocletian persecution, but the records are not reliable.

Since the 15th century, the flask containing the blood has attracted attention. Eighteen times a year, the solid mass in the vial becomes liquefied, sometimes seeming to bubble and froth. The relic is an object of devotion and the activity is said to be miraculous. No natural explanation has been found for this phenomenon.

**Urgent Need**

St. Gabriel's Parish is in need of a new choir director  
Please speak with Martine Messier  
(613) 832-4415.

**Today's Gospel Reflection:** Forgiving another - not focusing on our hurt of the other's transgression but on the lovableness of the other - is so difficult! The challenge of this gospel is to forget how others have behaved towards us and look to God's way of loving and forgiving us. Our focus must be on God. Without God's example we probably couldn't forgive very well. The challenge is to forget about ourselves so we can reach out to the other. (Living Liturgy, p.236)



**40 Days for Life Campaign:** A time to fast and pray for the end of abortion. Held this year **Sept. 27 – Nov. 5**. Intercede for God's mercy on the unborn and those who would deny them life. Daily prayer vigil, 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. Info: (613-299-2515); (<https://40daysforlife.com/local-campaigns/ottawa/>); ([www.facebook.com/40days4lifeottawa](http://www.facebook.com/40days4lifeottawa)). Opening Rally on **Sun., Sept. 24, 7:00 p.m.** at Bank & Sparks Street.

**New in West Carleton – Soup for Seniors :** If you or those you support are in need and would like some homemade soup, please register your name with Suzanne Lee (832-8063) or Linda Cassidy (832-2403) and we will happily make arrangements to give you frozen soup in two cup containers prepared by the church ladies of the Anglican, Roman Catholic and United churches.

**Life Chain:** the annual pro-life event which takes place across Canada and the United States on **Sun., Oct. 1, 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.** 14 locations, for one hour of silent prayerful witness to acknowledge that abortion is a serious wrong. Info: Debbie (613-729-0379); [debbie@clife.ca](mailto:debbie@clife.ca); [www.campaignlifecoalition.com](http://www.campaignlifecoalition.com). Hazeldean & Eagleson Rds.; March Rd & Halton Terrace; Martin & Ottawa Sts., Almonte; Madawaska Blvd. & Daniel St., Arnprior; Brockville General Hospital 75 Charles St.

**Spiritual Care – General Hospital:** The Spiritual Care team at the General Hospital is in need of volunteers who would be willing to spend two or three hours a week bringing communion to Catholic patients. Info: Dorothy Wood (613-523-2829).



**West Carleton Food Access Centre:** When you grocery shop this week, please remember the West Carleton Food Access Centre. They are in need of canned salmon, canned flakes of ham or chicken, canned fruit and canned pasta noodles. They are in need of nut free lunch box items. Please check the expiry dates, as the Food Bank cannot accept expired cans.



**Pilgrimage to Cap-De-La-Madeleine:** For physically, mentally and emotionally challenged individuals and seniors as well as able-bodied pilgrims who want to assist them. Organized by St. George Parish, with coordination by the Legion of Mary. **Sept. 29, 30 & Oct. 1**. Costs: Single \$395; Double \$352; Triple \$339. Pick up at St. George's (415 Piccadilly) and The Good Shepherd (3092 Innes Rd.). Reservations are required. More info: Cheryl Clingaman (613-728-5687).

**The Constance Bay Community Market** The Constance Bay Community Market is winding down for the season with only two remaining in September. St. Gabriel's Heavenly Pies **will not be participating in the Market on Sept 23** but the Market will go ahead without us. Our last Market will be September 30 from 9-2. Volunteers are needed to work our booth from 8-11 and 11-2, and bakers are needed to fill our table with homemade goodies. Thank you for all your support. Drop by our booth and enjoy our world famous bacon on a bun.

**Prayers for the Sick.** Please pray for the sick among our families and friends, especially Gerry Borris, Colleen Campbell, Patricia Cassidy, Christine Fraser, Mary Jardine, Sheila Moeser and Rosa Maria Santos. *The names will remain on the list until we are otherwise advised.*



*The Hail Mary is dew falling from heaven to make the soul fruitful. It is a pure kiss of love we give to Mary.*

- Saint Louis Grignion de Montfort.