

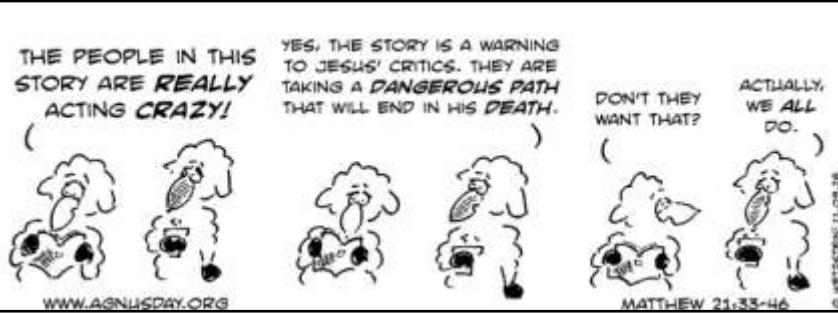
27th Sunday in Ordinary Time, October 04, 2026

Intentions: October 04 - In loving memory of **Lois and Raymond Allen**, requested by their daughter Cynthia.
Mass Intentions: \$15.00

Offertory Collection:
13 September - +\$141.30
27 September - \$686.00 Thank You.

Gospel Reflection: The good news of this gospel is that the kingdom will survive no matter how the “tenants: act because the cornerstone is Christ. This provides a metaphor for our own living. No matter what shape the vineyard of our own lives is in--whether we need pruning or we seem to be in a dry desert--if we keep our eyes on Christ as the cornerstone of our own lives we will be fruitful. God cares for the vineyard of our lives: we are nurtured by God, fed at God’s table, helped by the commandment of love. All we need to do is let God tend us and bring us to produce good fruit. All we need do is be faithful; God will take care of the rest. (Living Liturgy, p.248)

Vincentian Meditation: “Do not be upset if things are not as you would want them to be for a long time to come. Do the little you can very peacefully and calmly so as to allow room for the guidance of God in your lives. Do not worry about the rest.”- St. Louise de Marillac- (Gibson and Kneaves, Praying with Louise, p.40)



October 07

Our Lady of the Rosary: In ancient times, Marian feasts of the Eastern Church centred on events in Mary’s life. Since the 12th century, Marian feasts added to the Western calendar almost always commemorate a particular event of the times. Our Lady of the Rosary was celebrated in the 15th century by some confraternities of the Rosary, and in 1571 was solemnized by Pius V in thanksgiving for a battle victory. In 1716 Clement XI extended the feast to the universal Church.

Thought of the Day

Administrator's Corner

CHOSEN BY GOD, EXPECTED TO BEAR FRUIT



Have you ever poured out your heart to someone, been well received, and later been utterly rejected? Or have you ever loved someone so dearly and later was indignantly rejected?

That is very sad indeed. An experience like this can help us appreciate this weekend's liturgy. It speaks about God's wonderful love for His people and our failure to respond positively. The image of the vineyard shows how important we are to Him and how much He has invested to make us fruitful. But history shows humankind often fails to respond.

In Isaiah, God sings a love song about His vineyard. He cleared the stones, planted the choicest vine, built a watchtower, and hewed a winepress. He did everything. He left nothing undone.

That vineyard is us. God chose us. He cleared us through Baptism, planted us in the Church, protects us with providence, nourishes us with Word and Eucharist. We did not choose Him, He chose us.

But then the painful line: "He looked for grapes, but it yielded wild grapes" (Is 5:2). Jesus completes it: The owner sends servants for his fruits, but tenants beat them. He sends his son, and they kill him. Love was met with ingratitude.

The Fathers saw ourselves in this. St. Augustine says: "God planted you as a choice vine. Why have you become wild? The fault is not in the Farmer, but in the field." St. Gregory warns: "The vineyard brings forth wild grapes when a Christian confesses faith with his lips but denies it by his life."

God's choice of us demands a return. Not because He needs it, but because love must bear fruit.

What fruits does the Master seek? Not leaves — just coming to Mass or answering "Catholic" on a form. He seeks real fruits: a forgiving heart at home, honesty at work, service in the parish, prayer in our homes, care for the poor.

Many are experts at receiving from the vineyard but poor at returning to the owner.

In this week let us sincerely ask ourselves: If God visits His vineyard — my life, my marriage, my ministry — what will He find? Wild grapes of complaint, or sweet grapes of love?

The good news is, he has not cut down the vineyard. He still waits and still sends His Son in this Eucharist, giving another chance. As St. John of the Cross says: "At the evening of life, we shall be judged on love."

Fr. Anthony

Tourtière / Fruit Pie Fundraiser: Our St. Gabriel’s bakers are into the planning of our annual Christmas fundraiser. Non-perishable ingredient donations to make tourtières and fruit pies would be greatly appreciated. White flour, Tenderflake Pure Lard, Cans of Ginger Ale, Salt, White sugar. Large Ziploc bags. Thank you, Martine (See poster in vestibule).

The **Fall Bereavement Support Group** commences on Monday October 19th 2026 (part 1) runs for 6 consecutive weeks. Held at St Isidore Parish Hall from 1pm to 3pm weekly until November 16th 2026. There will be a 6 week break then the group recommences for another 6 weeks date to be confirmed for (part 2.) Registration is required please call Irena to register and for further inquiries at 613-229-0727 or email at Konopack90@gmail.com.

First Communion and Confirmation: Parents of children in grade 2 and grade 6 are required to come on to St Michael church on 14th October at 6pm to register their kids for 1st communion and confirmation venue St Michael. Please bring a photocopy of the baptism and first communion certificates and a donation of \$20.00. Thanks

Pope’s Intentions for the Month of October: For mental health ministry: Let us pray that mental health ministry be established throughout the Church, helping to overcome the stigma and discrimination of persons with mental illnesses.



Prayers for the Sick. Please pray for the sick among our families and friends, especially for Roy Campbell, Linda Cassidy, Patricia Cassidy, Suzanne Lafontaine, Priscilla Rowley and Lorraine Stafford. *The names will remain on the list until we are otherwise advised.*

Weekly Eucharist

St. Gabriel's
(Constance Bay)

Sunday 11:00 am Mass

St. Michael's
(Fitzroy Harbour)

Saturday 4:00 pm Mass

Sunday 9:00 am Mass

Wednesday 8:00 am adoration/confession,
9:00 am mass

Thursday 8:30 am confession, 9am mass

Friday 8:30 am confession, 9am mass

Confessions and Sacrament Of the Sick are available by request.
Please contact Fr. Anthony directly to book an appointment.



Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament held at St. Michael's Parish only: You are most welcome to join us Wednesday mornings, with exposition at 8:00 am and Mass at 9:00 am

St. Michael's Live streaming link on YouTube
Sunday Mass 9 am
StMStG-Live

Lost and Found

Periodically, please check the lost and found basket at the church entrance for articles you may have left behind.

Suggestion Box

The Suggestion Box at the rear of the church is there for you to give us your observations, comments, suggestions, new fundraising ideas etc. for enrichment of our parish. **Please use it!**

Intentions Book:

You are invited to write your prayer requests in our special intentions book in the back of the church - as many and as often as you like. It is important that we verbalize in some form, our desire before God. You are very welcome to be anonymous.

Pastoral Directory

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Sts Michael and Gabriel helpinghand ministry: Her objective is to serve needy families periodically in a timely and confidential manner. More details will be announced soon. The administrators can be reached at stmichaelshelpinghands@gmail.com or (613) 623-3419.

West Carleton Food Access Centre: (WCFAC) Please remember our local Food Bank each week by donating items to St. Gabriel's grocery cart. Cash donations of \$20.00 and over will receive a tax receipt. Please include your name and address on the envelope. See Suzanne Lee if you have any questions. **Thank you**



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