

Sunday Bulletin

July 9th, 2023

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Pope establishes 'Commission for New Martyrs – Witnesses of the Faith'

In view of the Jubilee of 2025, Pope Francis decides to create a working group at the Dicastery for the Causes of Saints to draw up a catalogue of all Christians – not only Catholics – who have shed their blood to confess Christ in the last quarter of a century.

Pope Francis released a letter on Wednesday, 5 July, in which he announced the establishment of the Dicastery for the Causes of Saints' "Commission for the New Martyrs – Witnesses of the Faith", in view of the Jubilee of 2025.

The working group's objective will be to draw up a catalogue of all Christians who have shed their blood to confess Christ and bear witness to the Gospel.

"Martyrs in the Church," wrote the Pope, "are witnesses of the hope that comes from faith in Christ and incites to true charity. Hope keeps alive the profound conviction that good is stronger than evil, because God in Christ has conquered sin and death."

The Commission will continue the search to identify the Witnesses of the Faith in this first quarter of the century and to continue in the future. This work was started during the Jubilee Year of 2000.

"Martyrs," the Pope continued, "have accompanied the life of the Church in every age and flourish as 'ripe and excellent fruits of the vineyard of the Lord' even today... Martyrs are more numerous in our time than in the first centuries: they are bishops, priests, consecrated men and women, lay people and families, who in the different countries of the world, with the gift of their lives, have offered the supreme proof of charity."

Welcome!

New Parishioners and Visitors Welcome! **Registration** Forms can be found through the Front Office (frontdesk@st-josephs.ca) or at the back of the Church.

Donations

Register with the Parish either to receive envelopes, or to sign-up for auto-debit, online through **Canada Helps**.

MASS TIMES & RECONCILIATION

- *Week Day Mass*: Wed to Fri at 12PM
- *Weekend Masses*: Saturday 5PM
Sunday 9:30AM (Family Mass) & 11:30AM
- *University Mass (Sept-Apr)*: Sunday 7PM
- *Reconciliation*: After weekday Mass or by appt.
- *Adoration*: 1st Friday of the month after the noon Mass

FRONT OFFICE

It is now time for us to re-order envelope boxes for 2024.

We are asking parishioners who are wanting a box to **please inform the front desk directly so that a box will be ordered for them.**

RSVP before **August 1, 2023** to ensure a box is ordered in your name.

Thank you!

-Olivia

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Office Hours

St. Joe's Ministries and Outreach Updates

St. Joseph's Women's Centre

With the summer months upon us, the Women's Centre is looking for donations of sun-screen and toiletry items.

2023 SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

It's that time of year again! St. Joe's Women Centre is seeking your help for donations of school supplies for students in elementary and high school.

List of Suggested School Supplies

Elementary School Supply List	High School Supply List
School Bag	3-Ring Binders and Dividers
Pens and Pencils	Loose-leaf Lined Paper
Pointed Scissors	Pencil Case
Pencil Case	Pens and Pencils
Pencil crayons and Crayons	School Bag
Erasers	Highlighters
Ruler	Pencil Crayons
Spiral Notebooks	Pocket Thesaurus and Dictionary
Folders with Bottom Pockets	Ruler and Scientific Calculator
Glue Sticks	Compass and Protractor
Composition Book	Spiral Notebooks
Box of Large Ziploc Bags	Erasers
Lunch Box	Lunch Box



We are requesting that the supplies be dropped off no later than **August 30th, 2023**

For drop-offs at the Women's Centre, our hours are
Mon, Wed— 9:30am– 5:30pm
Tu, Thu, Fri— 9:30am -3:30pm

You also have the option of leaving the school supplies at the Front Desk Office.

For more information, please contact Brooke Annan, Program Coordinator.
Phone: 613-231-6722
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Thank you very much for all your support!



Library News — Library titles by or about HENRI NOUWEN include Higgins, M. *Genius born of anguish: the life and legacy of Henri Nouwen* (BX4705.N87H53 2012), O'Laughlin, M. *Henri Nouwen: his life and vision* (BX4705.N87O53 2005) and Roderick, P. *Beloved: Henri Nouwen in conversation* (BV4705.N87A5 2007).



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Ecumenism of blood

Saint John Paul II had already stated in his Letter *Tertio millennio adveniente* that everything must be done to ensure that the legacy of the “unknown soldiers of God’s great cause” is not lost.

On 7 May 2000, these very martyrs were remembered during an ecumenical celebration, which saw gathered at the Colosseum, together with the Bishop of Rome, representatives of Churches and ecclesial communities from all over the world.

This is what the Holy Father has repeatedly called ‘ecumenism of blood’.

“In the next Jubilee as well,” the Pope added, “we will be united for a similar celebration. With this initiative, we do not intend to establish new criteria for the canonical ascertainment of martyrdom, but to continue the initiated survey of those who, to this day, continue to be killed simply because they are Christians.”

“It is therefore a matter of continuing”, explained the Pope, “the historical reconnaissance to gather the testimonies of life, up to the shedding of blood, of these sisters and brothers of ours, so that their memory may stand out as a treasure that the Christian community safeguards. The research will concern not only the Catholic Church, but will extend to all Christian denominations.”

Single voice of Christian martyrs

Pope Francis went on to write that “even in these times of ours in which we are witnessing a change of era, Christians continue to show, in contexts of great risk, the vitality of Baptism that unites us. Many, in fact, are those who, despite being aware of the dangers they face, manifest their faith or participate in the Sunday Eucharist. Others are killed in the effort to assist in charity the lives of the poor, in caring for those discarded by society, in cherishing and promoting the gift of peace and the power of forgiveness. Still others are silent victims, as individuals or in groups, of the upheavals of history. To all of them we owe a great debt and we cannot forget them.”

The work of the Commission will therefore make it possible to place side by side with the martyrs, officially recognised by the Church, the documented testimonies of “these brothers and sisters of ours, within a vast panorama in which the single voice of the *martyria* of Christians resounds.”

The Commission will avail itself of “the active contribution” of the particular Churches, religious institutes and all other Christian realities.

“In a world where at times it seems that evil prevails,” the Pope concluded, “I am certain that the elaboration of this Catalogue, also in the context of the approaching Jubilee, will help believers to read the reasons for life and good.”

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Our Financial Stewardship COLLECTIONS

for June 18th : \$4,293

June 25th: \$3,950

July 2nd : \$7,540

Parking

Parking is free during weekend Mass & 30 mins after. Parking is also available in UofO Lot B **only** on Sundays from 8am-2pm

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WEEKLY EVENTS AT ST. JOE'S

July 10th— July 16th, 2023

	Monday Jul 10th	Tuesday Jul 11th	Wednesday Jul 12th	Thursday Jul 13th	Friday Jul 14th	Saturday Jul 15th	Sunday Jul 16th
This Week			(1) Weekday Mass and Reconciliation, 12pm	(1) Weekday Mass and Reconciliation, 12pm (2) AA Meeting, 8pm, Women's Centre	(1) Weekday Mass and Reconciliation, 12pm	(1) Mass Potluck! Church, 6pm (after mass)	
Future							

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tee Off with a Cause You're Invited to Bytown Catering's Annual Charity Golf Tournament



In support of the ALS Society of Canada and St. Joe's Supper Table. Includes 18 holes of "Best Ball" golf, cart, lunch, dinner, prizes, and mini-games!

Day-of registration opens 11am—"Shot Gun" start time at 1pm. To register, click the image above or visit <https://bytowncatering.com>. For more information, contact Bytown Catering by phone at 613-745-6389 or email sales@bytowncatering.com.

St. Joe's Women's Centre

St. Joseph's Women's Centre is seeking donations of sunscreen and toiletry items for the hot summer months. Thank you for your consideration!

SUMMER POTLUCK

Come one, come all — young and old — newbies and old-timers — everyone is welcome to gather for dinner after the **5:00 PM Mass on Saturday July 15**. Please bring something to share if you can — hot or cold, sweet or savory. No worries if you aren't able to bring food, or if you forget, or if you decide at the last moment to stay. The dinner is a loaves-and-fishes kind of affair, where hospitality and fellowship fill our hunger, and there's always (miraculously) enough food for everyone.

Mark your calendar — and we'll see you on **July 15th!**

Mass intentions are available on Wed., Thur., and Fri. during Noon Mass for a \$15.00 donation. Please notify the Front Desk, frontdesk@st-josephs.ca for arrangements. Thank you!



To add a name to the prayers for sick or those who have died: Email the Front Office at frontdesk@st-josephs.ca. We pray for those who are listed during the Prayers of the Faithful.

Prayers for those who are ill: Edward Conlin, Jerry Belanger

Prayers for those who have died:

Wed., Jul 12, 2023 : Souls in purgatory
Thu., Jul 13, 2023 : Sr. Shelley Lawrence, RSCJ †
Fri., Jul 14, 2023: