

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

386 Rogers Street, Peterborough, ON K9H 1W7

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20th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASSES FOR AUGUST 17TH – AUGUST 23RD

DUE TO SOCIAL DISTANCING, ALL WEEKDAY MASSES WILL BE IN THE CHURCH RATHER THAN THE CHAPEL

Monday, August 17 th	5:00 p.m.	+	James McMahon, requested by the Estate
Tuesday, August 18 th	8:30 a.m.	+	Josie Lemaire, requested by her friends and family
Wednesday, August 19 th	8:30 a.m.	+	Eleanor Ayotte, requested by the family
Thursday, August 20 th	8:30 a.m.	+	Lucille Brunt, requested by Peter, Lucy & Katie Dawson
Friday, August 21 st	8:30 a.m.	+	John Shine, requested by Chris Shine
Saturday, August 22 nd	4:30 p.m.	+	Juliet Betancourt, requested by her daughter Giselle
	6:30 p.m.	+	Jerry Ryan (of Douro), requested by Greg & Karen Reeves
Sunday, August 23 rd	8:00 a.m.	+	Wanda Kapuscik, requested by her friends
	9:30 a.m.	-	<i>For the people of Immaculate Conception parish</i>

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Aleesha, Neave Alderson, Fr. Bart Burke, Gwendolyn Craigen, Joan Cross, Marie Cullen, Jim Dillon, George Ellis, Hender Ellis, Sawyer Growden, Marc Guerin, Julianna & Mary Hauer, Bill Heasely, Betty Johnston, Bradley L., Cathy Lochner, Carrie Ann Mallory & family, Peter McCarthy, Charlene Purcell, Erin Sullivan, Charlene Urbach, Rose Marie Vitarelli and those who have no one to pray for them. **MAY GOD BLESS YOU AND KEEP YOU CLOSE TO HIS HEART.**

FOOD FOR FAMILIES:

Food for Families is a Knights of Columbus program that runs year-round in support of the St. Vincent de Paul foodbank and the poor in our community. We have the blue tubs at the entrances to the church for donations, as we know hunger does not take a holiday. Please be as generous as you can.



FOOD FOR FAMILIES – ANNUAL REPORT

Thank you for your generosity to the Knights of Columbus Food for Families Program. For the 2019-2020 Fraternal Year the numbers were 2187 lbs. of food and \$1,000.55. These numbers will generate a donation of \$400 from the Knights of Columbus Supreme Council which in turn will be donated to The St. Vincent de Paul Food Bank. Another Fraternal Year has begun and although we are not officially meeting, the Knights will continue to take donated food and sundries to St. Vincent de Paul.

HOSPITAL VISITS: *“One of the things I value as a parish priest is visiting people at the hospital. I did so many times in Lindsay, sometimes being called in the middle of the night to go and anoint someone. I would normally do so here in Peterborough, but due to COVID-19 I am quite limited in that regard. I also do not have hospital ID yet either, so that will delay my visiting as well. So, if you have any requests for a priest to visit, please call the parish office and we will arrange for the Catholic priest assigned to the hospital (Fr. Damien Smullen) to come visit.”* – Fr. Stephen

SATURDAY MASS SCHEDULE: Saturday Masses will continue as usual at 4:30 p.m. However, starting **August 29th**, there will be no more 6:30 p.m. Mass.

ST. PETER'S CEMETERY MASS: The St. Peter's Cemetery Mass is **Wednesday, August 19th** at 7:00 p.m. at the Cemetery, located at 870 High Street. The Mass is on, rain or shine. Please bring your own chairs...and umbrellas if needed.

CONFESSIONS: Reconciliation/confessions are by appointment only at this time. Please call the office at **705-742-5466**.

WE ARE NOW ON FACEBOOK! Fr. Stephen is rather social-media savvy and will be communicating with you through Facebook. Join in the conversation! Like us at [Immaculate Conception Roman Catholic Parish Peterborough](#).



PRE-AUTHORIZED OFFERING PLAN (POP): Have you considered supporting the parish through pre-authorized giving? This allows you to give to the parish through scheduled monthly transfers from your bank account and helps ensure regular, dependable contributions. Most of all, pre-authorized giving affords us the opportunity to reorient how we think about giving. Rather than giving from what is left over, this method of giving encourages us to discern a level of Parish support with greater intention. In this way, we respond more fully to the call to *"Honour the Lord with your wealth, with the first fruits of all our produce."* (Proverbs 3,9-10). For more information or to enroll, please contact the parish office at: **705-742-5466**.

RETURNING TO MASS: We wish to thank you for getting into the swing of things with our "new normal" and following all the required protocols. If, however, you have not yet made it to Church, please be sure you read our [Coming Back to Mass](#) document so that you are aware of the new protocols before you do so. For those at high risk, the Bishop gives two options: (1) Cogeco's YourTV (Channel 10 or 700) will be streaming each Sunday at 11:30 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. or (2) If you do not subscribe to Cogeco, the Mass is posted to the [Bishop's YouTube Channel](#).

REFLECTION FROM FR. STEPHEN

We all need examples and role models to follow. The Canaanite woman in today's Gospel, is an example for us to follow in faith. She demonstrates faith, perseverance, and humility. As a result, Jesus says to her *"Woman, great is your faith. Let it be done for you as you wish."* We are all tempted to lose faith because it seems that nothing happens when we pray. But God always hears our prayers and answers them, though rarely in ways that we expect Him to. And God's ways are always better than our ways! Let us learn to trust in God and never falter from coming before Him in prayer and love.

God bless,
Fr. Stephen



"Jesus wanted to teach people the proper approach to the law, which is to recognize it as the instrument God uses to teach his people true freedom and responsibility." — Pope Francis