

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Parish Update: June 28th, 2026



*“You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation.
Praise God who called you out of darkness into his marvellous light.”
(1 Peter 2.9)*

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK JUNE 29TH TO JULY 5TH

Monday, 29 th	Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles – Solemnity
Office Closed	No Mass
Tuesday, 30 th	Ferial
9:00 a.m.	Sp. Int. of Esther & Todd Rykovich (M Paroyan)
6:30 p.m.	Knights of Columbus Memorial Mass & Installation of Officers
Wednesday, 1 st	Ferial
Office Closed	– Canada Day
9:00 a.m.	+Robert Tasker (A&N Armilio)
9:30-10:30 a.m.	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Thursday, 2 nd	Ferial
9:00 a.m.	+Imelda D’Costa (J D’Costa)
Friday, 3 rd	St. Thomas, Apostle – Feast
Office Closed	
9:00 a.m.	+Bernadette McMurray & +Mary McGovern (A&N Armilio)
9:30-10:30 a.m.	Adoration and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament
Saturday, 4 th	
3:30-4:30 p.m.	Confession
5:00 p.m.	Holy Souls (N Vendittelli) +Joseph Vendittelli (N Vendittelli)
Sunday, 5 th	14th Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 am.	Liv. & Dec. Members of the DiFranco & DiFabio Families (N Vendittelli)
11:00 a.m.	Sp. Int. of Philip Dionne (Y Mondragon) +Christopher Rapattoni (AG Rapattoni & Family)
	From the Pastors Desk

Dear Friends: In this final column as we break for summer, I would like to offer a message directly from God through the Sacred Scriptures. During a quiet moment on the patio, let these words wash over you, bringing refreshment and rest to your weary soul.

“My child, You may not know me, but I know everything about you (Psalm 139:1). I know when you sit down and when

you rise up (Psalm 139:2). I am familiar with your ways (Psalm 139:3). Even the very hairs on your head are numbered (Matt 10:29-31) for you were made in my image (Genesis 1:27). In me you live and move and have your being (Acts 17:28) for you are my offspring (Acts 17:28). I knew you even before you were conceived (Jeremiah 1:4-5). I chose you even before I planned creation (Ephesians 1:11-12). You were not a mistake; all your days are written in my book (Psalm 139:15-16). I determined the exact time of your birth and where you would live (Acts 17:26). You were fearfully and wonderfully made (Psalm 139:14). I knit you together in you mother's womb (Psalm 139:13) and brought you forth on the day you were born (Psalm 71:6).

I have been misrepresented by those who don't know me (John 8:41-44). I am not distant and angry, but I am the complete expression of love (1 John 4:16), and it is my desire to lavish my love on you (1 John 3:1). I offer you more than your earthly father ever could (Matthew 7:11) for I am the perfect father (Matthew 5:48). Every good gift that you receive comes from my hand (James 1:17) for I am your provider, and I meet all your needs (Matthew 6:31-33). My plan for your future has always been filled with hope. (Jeremiah 29:11) Because I love you with an everlasting love (Jeremiah 31:3), my thoughts toward you are as countless as the sand on the seashore (Psalm 139:17-18) and I rejoice over you with singing (Zephaniah 3:17). I will never stop doing good to you (Jeremiah 32:40) for you are my treasured possession (Exodus 19:5). I desire to establish you with all my heart and all my soul (Jeremiah 32:41). I want to show you great and marvelous things (Jeremiah 33:3).

If you seek me with all you heart, you will find me (Deuteronomy 4:29). Delight in me, and I will give you the desires of your heart (Psalm 37:4) for it is I who gave you those desires (Philippians 2:13). I am able to do more for you than you could possibly imagine (Ephesians 3:20) for I am your greatest encourager (2 Thessalonians 2:16-17). I am also the father who comforts you in all your troubles (2 Corinthians 1:3-4). When you are brokenhearted, I am close to you (Psalm 34:18). As a Shepherd carries a lamb, I have carried you close you my heart (Isaiah 40:11). One day, I will wipe away every tear from your eyes (Revelation 21:3-4), and I'll take away all the pain you have suffered on this earth (Revelation 21:3-4). I am your father, and I love you even as I love my son, Jesus (John 17:26). He is the exact representation of my being (Hebrews 1:3). He came to demonstrate that I am for you, not against you (Romans 8:31) and to tell you that I am not counting your sins (2 Corinthians 5:18-19). Jesus died so that you could be reconciled (2 Corinthians 5:18-19). His death was the ultimate expression of my love for you (1 John 4:10). I gave up everything I loved so that I might gain your love (Romans 8:31-32). If you receive the gift of my son, Jesus, you receive me (1 John 2:23), and nothing will ever separate you from my love again (Romans 8:38-39). Come home, and I'll throw the biggest party heaven has ever seen (Luke 15:7). I have always been your father and will always be your father (Ephesians 3:14-15). My question is, will you be my child (John 1:1-13)? I am waiting for you (Luke 15:11-32). Love Dad, Almighty God” (From Father's Love Letter, 1999)(Also see YouTube Vide!)

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CWL CORNER
(Catholic Women's League)
“Blessed are the Poor”



E-transfer payments for CWL may be made to cwlstarofthesea@gmail.com. Please remember to indicate which event in the subject line.

Our CWL members were pleased to present graduation awards and certificates to the following students:

St. Ann Catholic Elementary School:

Grade 8 CWL Religion Award: Cooper St. Denis

Grade 8 Josephine Baranek Memorial Award for Visual

Arts: Nathan Galang

St. Teresa of Calcutta Catholic Elementary School:

Grade 8 CWL Religion Award: Jax Pascale-Bolton

Grade 8 Josephine Baranek Memorial Award for Visual

Arts: Sofia Romena

St. Francis Catholic Secondary School:

CWL Stewardship Award: Riyana Chahoud

Congratulations to all students who have graduated this June!

Canada Day Prayer

Lord, bless our nation from sea to sea. May Canadians live in peace, uphold justice, and honor You in all that we do.

Unite us in love and faith, and guide us to be a blessing to one another and to the world. Amen.



July 4 th / 5 th	5 P.M.	9 A.M.	11 A.M.
Ministers of Holy Communion	Dn. Maurice	K Zacharchuk	R Eckstein
Lector	T Cheslea	C Prendergast	C Dutta
Hospitality Ministers	A&R Hancock N Linkson	C DeLuca W Riddle	Bott Family

Pope's Prayer Intention for the Month of June

For the value of sports ~ Let us pray that sports be an instrument of peace, encounter, and dialogue among cultures and nations, and that they promote values such as respect, solidarity, and personal growth.

Summer Bulletin – For the months of July and August there will only be 1 bulletin printed for that month. Our weekly bulletin will resume in September.

CAN YOU HELP? HOSPITALITY MINISTERS NEEDED!

Especially for the **Sunday morning Masses**, beginning in August. The tasks are simple – greeting parishioners as they arrive, taking up the collection and bringing the Offertory gifts to the altar, handing out bulletins as parishioners leave, and tidying up the books in the pews after Mass. If you can help, please contact Lidia in the church office, or Connie Tracey at 905 646 1798 or rtracey@sympatico.ca. Thank you!!

PARISH LIBRARY – NEED A SUMMER READ?

Visit our library downstairs in the hall. You will find a fiction section, as well as faith-based books on many topics. No sign out needed – simply take home, read, and return!

Serra Club St. Catharines invites you to their “On Eagle’s Wings” 6th Annual Golf Tournament taking place Thursday, August 13, 2026, at Niagara National Golf and Country (2900 College Rd, Stevensville). Early bird registration is \$150.00 for golf and dinner or \$55.00 for dinner only. Visit <https://serrastc.ca/golf-tournament-2026/> for registration information. Your generosity will help Serra to continually support our seminarians, diaconate candidates and religious sisters in formation.

The **June 2026 issue of The Vineyard** is now available on the diocesan website: <http://saintcd.com/diocesan-directory/the-vineyard>. Highlights for this issue include the ordination of Reverend Yohander Sanchez Mora, the first St. Carlo Acutis Challenge and articles featuring youth and events at Niagara Catholic District School Board. I draw your attention to an excellent short story, The Bridge, from a grade 8 student at Holy Rosary School in Thorold. To enroll for a free online subscription, send an email request to: vineyard@saintcd.com.



PRAYER ANGELS Our ministry is set up to pray for the parish’s intentions. Please send by email or phone your concerns or cares and they will be passed on to the members of this group who will daily offer up your intentions to the Lord. Prayer is powerful. Let us help ease your troubles or shower the Lord with praises. Please call or email Marg 289-214-6679 mgmartin113@gmail.com

*‘He who prays most receives most.’
St. Alphonsus Maria de Liguori*

WEEKLY COLLECTION CONTRIBUTIONS:

June 14 & June 21st, 2026

	June 14 th	June 21 st
Parishioner Envelopes	\$3,495.00	\$4,265.00
Loose Collection CAD	\$ 325.00	\$ 451.00
USD	\$ 20.00	
Bishops Annual Appeal	\$ 20.00	\$ 100.00
Diocesan Needs	\$ 300.00	
Total Offertory	\$4,160.00	\$4,816.00
June’s Monthly Automatic Fund Transfers		\$ 930.00
Our Special Needs CAD	\$ 150.00	\$ 35.00
USD		\$ 5.00

*Thank you
MAY GOD BLESS YOU*