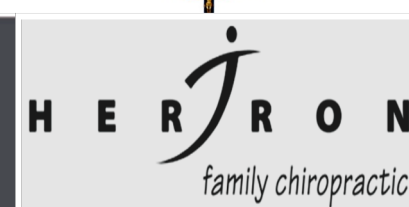


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**Bookkeeper - Gabrielito Garcia**

**Fr. Martin Dalida - Parish Priest**

**25TH SUNDAY  
IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**SEPTEMBER 20, 2026**



**WEEKEND  
MASSES**

**SATURDAY  
4PM**

**SUNDAY  
10AM**

**"YOU ALSO MAY GO AND  
WORK IN THE VINEYARD"**



## **Parish Committees & Organizations**

Parish Pastoral Council, *Michael Mullin*  
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## **SACRAMENTAL MINISTRY**

Baptisms, Marriages, & Anointing of the Sick may be arranged by calling the Office.

Confessions: Saturday at 8:30 am & 3:30 pm, or anytime on request.

First Friday of the month - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament @ 8: 30am.

**MASSES FOR THE WEEK**

*Mass Intention today Sept 6: + Zack Sawyer*

Sept 21, Mon (NO MASS)

Sept 22, Tues 9am

Sept 23, Wed 9am ( Padre Pio, Priest)

Sept 24, Thurs 9am

Sept 25, Fri 9am

Sept 26, Sat 9am (Feast of Canadian Martyrs) Suffering from addiction by Ian Manley

Sept 26, Sat 4pm (26th Sunday ) +Souls in Purgatory by Nick Manley

Sept 27, Sun 10am (26th Sunday) +Colleen Lawson by Bruce Lawson

**SEPTEMBER 26-27, 2026 WEEKEND MASSES**

|          |                       |                              |
|----------|-----------------------|------------------------------|
|          | 4 pm                  | 10 am                        |
| LECTORS: | Jackie Innis          | Joanna Mecozzi               |
| EMHC:    | Deidre Arzheimer      | M. Stephenson & S. Hollywood |
| USHERS:  | Darrell & Nick Manley | Joe O’Kane & Rob Ugolini     |



**Collections August 12-13**

Sunday Offering - \$1,180, Building Maintenance - \$120,  
Needs of Canadian Church - \$250, Donations for James Manley - \$150

**ST. PADRE PIO** who was born Francesco Forgione on May 25, 1887 in Italy, and whose feast is celebrated on September 23, is one of the most beloved saints of modern times. People were attracted to him because they saw in him an extraordinarily prayerful and sacrificial priest. He spent many hours hearing confessions, sometimes from early morning until late in the day. People came because they believed he could help them confront their sins honestly and return to God. He encouraged people to face the truth about themselves, repent, receive God's mercy and begin again. He endured physical illness, the pain associated with the stigmata, and many misunderstandings and restrictions imposed upon him during his lifetime. Yet he continued to pray and serve. Padre Pio's life teaches a profoundly Christian lesson: Suffering does not necessarily mean that God has abandoned us. Sometimes suffering can become an opportunity to unite ourselves more deeply with Christ. Difficulties and sorrows, when accepted in love, can become a path toward holiness.



**DATES TO REMEMBER**

\*Sept 23, Wed 9:30 - Parish Council Meeting / \*September 24, Thurs 1pm - SVDP Meeting

**PRAY FOR THE SICK MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH COMMUNITY**

Lexter Mendez, Patrick King, Helen Dettman, Rett Willadson, Clare Chapin, Claude Boulanger, Terry Korotki

**FROM THE PASTOR’S DESK**

**ROSE SUNDAY COLLECTION-** Today, members of the Knights of Columbus will be handing out Rose Stickers after Mass as part of the annual Rose Sunday fundraising initiative. The collection supports pro-life organizations and activities that uphold the sanctity of human life, including the Church's pro-life work and Council #1970's own “Culture of Life” initiative, which assists groups that provide support to pregnant women and families. Thanks for your kind support.



**COLLECTION FOR THE NEEDS OF THE CHURCH IN CANADA** - The Collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada this coming weekend, September 26–27, is one of the important annual collections in the Canadian Catholic Church. This collection supports the pastoral work of the Bishops of Canada through the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops, including evangelization, faith formation, family and life, social justice, ministry to migrants and refugees, and other national pastoral initiatives. Please give prayerfully and generously.

**ST. MARY’S BINGO – VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** - St. Mary’s Bingo is looking for volunteers to help with bingo activities. The Parish Gaming Fund generated through bingo has been a tremendous help in contributing to our parish’s physical projects. If you are able to volunteer and would like to help, please contact Jackie Innis at 905-349-2880.

**ST. MARY’S CEMETERY (Care & Maintenance Fund)** This summer, the Cemetery Board incurred a \$4,000 expense for the removal of several trees from the old cemetery grounds after they were knocked down by strong winds. This was necessary work to keep the cemetery grounds safe and well maintained, but it was a significant cost, paid from the Cemetery Care & Maintenance Fund. If you are able, the Cemetery Board would be very grateful for a donation to help replenish the Fund and continue caring for our cemetery. Please make cheques payable to St. Mary’s Church and write “St. Mary’s Cemetery” in the memo line. Thank you for your generosity and for helping us maintain and care for our cemetery -*Tina Mullin, Cemetery Board Chair*

**CWL NEWS** - The Diocese Fall Meeting was held Sept. 19/26 in Port Hope at the Knights of Columbus Centre. Thank you to all members who attended. On the bulletin board there is a poster inviting ALL PARISHIONERS to a presentation Sept.30/26 @ 10:00 am to St. Andrew's United Church, Grafton for Truth & Reconciliation, "The Eighth Fire". The presentation looks at Indigenous & Settler Relations - to better understand each other. The Grafton Food Market at St. Andrew's Church continues throughout the fall, sponsored by the Ontario Trillium Fund & United Way and presented by the Ontario Health Centres of Northumberland. The next market date is Sept. 22 @ 2:00 -3:00 pm. It receives grants to make the food prices lower than in the stores. All parishioners are invited to attend.