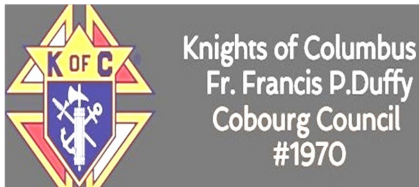


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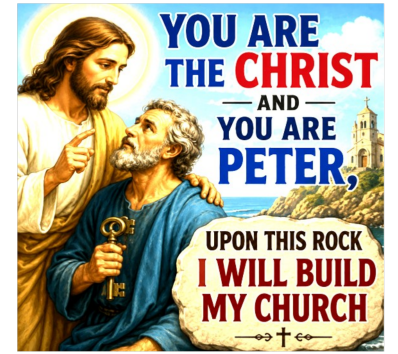
**21st Sunday in
Ordinary Time**
AUGUST 23, 2026



WEEKEND
MASSES

SATURDAY
4PM

SUNDAY
10AM



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

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Mass Intention today Aug 16: +Mary Whalen

August 24, Mon (NO MASS)

August 25, Tues 9am - Intention for Oscar & Nita Vaz

August 26, Wed 9am - Intention for Patrick King by Maria Marszal

August 27, Thurs 9am - (St. Monica) Intention for Oscar & Nita Vaz

August 28, Fri 9am- (St. Augustine) +Deceased parents, siblings of Vicky Auger (memorial)

August 29, Sat 9am- (The Passion of John the Baptist) +Souls in purgatory by Ian Manley

August 29, Sat 4pm (22nd Sunday) For civil & church leaders of Canada by Ian Manley

August 30, Sun 10am (22nd Sunday) +Colleen Lawson by Bruce Lawson

Aug 29-30, 2026 WEEKEND MASSES

4 pm

10 am

LECTORS:

Melissa Lilje

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JAMES MANLEY: We are truly grateful and proud that the Lord has called a young man from our own parish family, James Manley, to serve in God’s vineyard. A vocation to the priesthood is a precious gift from God, but it also requires faith, perseverance, sacrifice, and the loving support of the Christian community. As James begins this important journey of discernment and formation this month, let us surround him with our prayers, encouragement, and friendship. May the

Blessed Virgin Mary, our patroness, intercede for him throughout his years of formation, guide him each day, strengthen him in times of challenge, and deepen his love for Christ and His Church. May God, who has begun this good work in him, bring it to fulfillment for the glory of His name and the good of His people. ALL THE BEST, JAMES.

DATES TO REMEMBER

*September 14, 9:30am: CWL Meeting / *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

A PARISH FEAST DAY TO REMEMBER! GOLF TOURNAMENT WRAP-UP — What a joyful weekend it was! Between the laughter on the course at Shelter Valley, the friendly (but serious!) competition at the Euchre tables, and a parish family gathered in celebration, our annual Golf Tournament weekend was everything we hoped for and more. We are delighted to share the results of the weekend: Sponsors & Donors — \$4,440.00, Memorial Candle Mass — \$555.00, Euchre — \$350.00, 50/50 Draw — \$55.00, Raffle — \$545.00, Golf Green Fee — \$475.76, Total of \$6,420.76. Less expenses — \$650.00. Net raised for our parish — \$5,770.76. A special word of thanks to our friends at Shelter Valley, who once again proved themselves the finest of hosts and generously donated back a portion of the golf fees. This success simply would not be possible without our wonderful sponsors, some whose names you will now find listed on the back of this bulletin, and the many individual donors within our own parish family whose quiet generosity lifted this weekend beyond all expectations. Please take a moment to see who our sponsors and their businesses. Let them know St. Mary's is grateful. Our heartfelt thanks as well to all the parish groups and volunteers who gave their time, energy, and enthusiasm to make the weekend run so smoothly. Whether you golfed, played cards, sold raffle tickets, flipped burgers, or simply came out to share in the fun — thank you. This is what parish family looks like. And mark your calendars now: next year's tournament weekend is set for August 13, 14, and 15, 2027. We'll see you there! *Michael Mullin, Parish Council Chair.*

APPEAL FOR JAMES MANLEY - As you know, James Manley is entering the seminary. As he belongs to both Cobourg and Grafton, this is certainly a great joy for both parishes! Thank you for your support of him as he enters St. Augustine's this Saturday (August 22, 2026). On that note, I am asking the parish Knights of Columbus, Catholic Women's League, and individual parishioners who would be willing to help him out financially. Any financial assistance would go towards covering room and board, as well as the formation fees associated with his program. Any financial assistance would be sent to the diocese with a note explaining it is for James; these monies will only be used for James' seminary costs, nothing else. For individual donors, you may marked the envelope “James Manley”, drop it in the collection basket and a tax receipt will be issued to you. *Fr. Stephen DeCarlo - Diocesan Director of Vocations and Formation.*

CWL NEWS - Thank you to all the CWL members who assisted at the Cemetery and the Church Picnic. The Lord gave us two beautiful days. At the cemetery, roses were given to parishioners to remember deceased friends and family members. A nice idea! Parishioners enjoyed Fr Martin's birthday cake and refreshments after the Mass provided by the CWL. A special thank you to Father Martin and his friends for the delicious dinner on Friday and the entertainment during the picnic. Most enjoyable. A special thank you to the Knights of Columbus for the delicious BBQ. The picnic was a great success. The card games and golf were enjoyed by all participants on August 14. It is said that all played well and enjoyed themselves.