

SEPTEMBER 13, 2020 TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASSES FOR THIS WEEK

Saturday, September 12th

The Most Holy Name of Mary

4:30 Kuddy Sanguir by the Corpus Family

Sunday, September 13th

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:30 Kurt and Linda Krause by the Estate

Monday, September 14th

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Tuesday, September 15th

Our Lady of Sorrows

Wednesday, September 16th

St. Cornelius and St. Cyprian

Thursday, September 17th* *No Mass

St. Robert Bellarmine

Friday, September 18th

Saturday, September 19th

St. Januarius

430 Luisita Botello by the Family

REFLECTION

Forgiveness

We are called to forgive; and that can be really difficult. You have been defrauded by the banks of your life's savings – can you forgive? You were abused as a child – can you forgive? You were done out of a job because another lied to get it – can you forgive? The answer is maybe 'no'.

What then does God want? He asks us to open our hearts to the other so that we may forgive.

Forgiveness is the deepest of God's desires on our behalf, and he hopes that we can forgive each other.

Our hurts and burdens are heavy to carry through life. To forgive can release some of that weight. The person who hurt us may be dead, or may not even know (or care) that we are hurting. When we desire to forgive but don't know how, one way of looking for this strength is to pray for it. We often pray, 'Lord, make my heart like yours'. When we pray that we are praying to be forgiving people!

Another way is to pray for the person. When we realise that as God loves me, he also loves everyone, we may find a spark or light of forgiveness in our souls. Out of this we may find the will to meet the other and talk to him or her, and find the grace of forgiveness between us. Forgiveness sometimes comes slowly. When God sees us wanting to be on the road to forgiveness, he gives us the graces we need to unburden ourselves and be able to love like him. Sit in silence for a while, and send a blessing or prayer to someone you need to forgive.
Lord, I ask – make my heart like yours.

Fr Donal Neary, S.J www.messenger.ie/bookshop

Celebrating First Communion

On **Saturday September 13th** 15 children from our Parish will celebrate their First Holy Communion at a special 11am Mass. Guided by their parents and with the support of volunteer catechists they have grown in their love for God and understanding of our Catholic faith.

Leila Argento

Sofia Borsellino-Puccio

Gabriel Coblenz-Soares

Lucas Coblenz-Soares

Fabiana D'Andrea

Olivia Iaizzo

Gabriel Dopp

Angele Dopp

Lucas Jans

Asha Ni'Ogain

Anthony Qu

Melissa Remai

Alessandro Stasi

Bianca Vitale

Emily Zegarelli

*May they always be blessed with the peace of Jesus,
the light of his love and the joy of his life within them.*

Loyola High School Virtual Open House

Loyola High School will be hosting a Virtual Open House for all prospective students on **Saturday, September 26th, 2020 at 1p.m.** Please join us to learn more about Loyola and our dedication to forming each student's intellectual, personal, and spiritual growth. Loyola High School, founded in 1896, is a Catholic, Jesuit, all-boys university preparatory school in Montreal. Financial Aid is available to students who qualify. To learn more, please visit www.loyola.ca/admissions.

SEASON OF CREATION

The season is observed annually, and runs from September 1, the Day of Prayer for Creation, and through to October 4, the Feast of St. Francis, who is the patron saint of ecology in many traditions. The theme of this year's celebration is Jubilee for the Earth.

This season is a special time for the Creator and each other. Some of us pray, some of us do hands-on projects, some of us advocate. We all protect creation. The momentum continues long after the season ends. By seeding ongoing prayer, changes in lifestyle, and advocacy, the season grows hope in our communities each year. It's powerfully good work that's urgently needed!

Excerpt from joint statement issued by the presidents of The Council of Bishops' Conferences of Europe (CCEE) and the Conference of European Churches (CEC):

"This year, the COVID-19 pandemic revealed how deeply the globe is interconnected. We realised more than ever that we are not isolated from each other and that conditions related to human health and well-being are fragile. Impact of the pandemic forces us to take seriously the need for vigilance and the need for conditions of sustainable life throughout the earth. This is even more important when considering the environmental devastation and the threat of climate change."

For more information and ways to observe this season, please visit www.SeasonofCreation.org

Donations to Lebanon

If you have not already done so and wish to make a donation to assist those affected by the horrendous explosion in Beirut, you can make an online donation directly to Development and Peace – Caritas Canada. at <https://www.devp.org/en> As a member of the Canadian Foodgrains Bank, Development and Peace will be participating in the matching fund launched by the Canadian Government and the Humanitarian Coalition to help the people of Lebanon.

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