

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR January 20-28, 2018

### THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday,	Jan. 20	5:00 pm	For + <b>Jaime &amp; + Maria Araujo</b> by Mike and Estrela Pereira
Sunday,	Jan. 21	9:30 am 11:30 am	For <b>All St. John Bosco Parishioners</b> For + <b>Joffre &amp; + Clara Gervais</b> by Fern and Carmen Morin
Tuesday,	Jan. 23	9:00 am	For + <b>Joffre Gervais</b> by his daughter Yvonne
Wednesday,	Jan. 24	9:00 am	<b>St. Francis de Sales, Bishop</b> For + <b>Paulina Oamilda</b> by her son Dionesio
Thursday,	Jan. 25	9:00 am	<b>The Conversion of St. Paul, Apostle</b> In thanksgiving by Marie Chantal-Milfort
Friday,	Jan. 26	7:00 pm	<b>Sts. Timothy and Titus</b> Mass, Benediction, Confession Community Mass Intentions +Wayne Metzinger, + Lina Iglesias

### FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday,	Jan. 27	5:00 pm	<b>ST. JOHN BOSCO FEAST DAY CELEBRATION</b> For + <b>Silas Tedla</b> by the Kifle family
Sunday,	Jan. 28	9:30 am 11:30 am	For + <b>Rose Pollock</b> by her sisters For <b>All St. John Bosco Parishioners</b>

### WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK :

Tuesday, January 23 @ 7:00 pm **RCIA & K.C. Meeting**  
@ 7:00 pm **CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION**  
If you have a child in grade 6 and have missed last

Saturdays registration, we invite you to attend this registration and information meeting. Please call the parish office if you have any questions or concerns regarding the Confirmation program

Thursday, January 25 @ 7:00pm **Baptism Preparation Meeting for parents and godparents**

**St. John Bosco Feast Day!!!** Saturday, January 27<sup>th</sup> at the 5 pm Mass and then come and enjoy a lovely spaghetti supper in the hall. Come bring your family and friends to celebrate this wonderful evening of worship and fellowship.



**Our condolences and the assurance of our prayers are offered to Agatha Cowie** on the death of her brother **Hamilton MacNeil** from Cape Breton. May his soul and the souls of all the faithfully departed rest in peace.

### Grace with lines inspired by the Readings for January 21.



**Leader:** Lord Jesus, we thank you for your Word. You announce the good news that the kingdom of God is at hand. (*Mark 1:15*)

**All:** Lord Jesus, may we too repent and believe in you.

**Together:** "Bless us, O Lord, and these Thy gifts, which we are about to receive from Thy bounty. Through Christ our Lord. Amen"

**After the meal:** "We give you thanks, Almighty God, for all your gifts, who live and reign now and forever. Amen"



**We are looking for you!!!!** Are you able to share your gifts with our parish by being part of this parish's Maintenance Committee?

This committee would oversee and maintain our parish building (furnace, lights, steam cleaning carpets, outside maintenance etc). Your expertise is valued and appreciated.

Please contact the office for additional information.

### WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

**CHINESE NEW YEAR CARNIVAL.** Everyone is invited on Feb. 10 & 11 to the Chinese Catholic Parish (10140-119 St.) There will be performances, games, Home style Chinese food, crafts, etc. (please see poster in front foyer) Free Admission.

**Join Archbishop Smith** and other faith leaders for an Ecumenical Prayer Service to open the **2018 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity:**

**Theme:** "Your right hand, O Lord, glorious in power" (*Ex. 15.6*)

**National Focus:** The ecumenical situation in the Caribbean

**7 p.m., Sunday, January 21** at McDougall United Church 10086 MacDonald Drive NW

**World Youth Day 2019 will be held in Panama. For information please go the Archdiocese website. [www.caedm.ca/WorldYouthDay](http://www.caedm.ca/WorldYouthDay)**

**QUOTE FOR THE WEEK:** As Catholics we are called to take concrete measures to overcome the misunderstanding, ignorance, competition, and fear that stand in the way of genuinely welcoming the stranger in our midst and enjoying the communion that is our destiny as Children of God. *Welcoming the Stranger Among Us: Unity in Diversity, A Statement of the U.S. Catholic Bishops*

Message of His Holiness Pope Francis  
For the celebration of the 51st World Day of Peace  
January 1, 2018  
(Conclusion)

*A Proposal for two international compacts.*

It is my heartfelt hope this spirit will guide the process that in the course of 2018 will lead the United Nations to draft and approve two Global compacts, **one for safe, orderly and regular migration and the other for refugees**. As shared agreements at a global level, these compacts will provide a framework for policy proposals and practical measures.

For this reason, they need to be inspired by compassion, foresight and courage, so as to take advantage of every opportunity to advance the peace-building process. Only in this way can the realism required of international politics avoid surrendering to cynicism and to the globalization of indifference.

**Dialogue and coordination** are a necessity and a specific duty for the international community. Beyond national borders, higher numbers of refugees may be welcomed, or better welcomed, also by less wealthy countries, if international cooperation guarantees them the necessary funding.

The Migrants and Refugees Section of the Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development has published a set of twenty action points that provide concrete leads for implementing these four verbs in public policy and in the attitudes and activities of Christian communities. The aim of this and other contributions is to express the interest of the Catholic Church in the process leading to the adoption of the two U.N. Global Compacts. This interest is the sign of a more general pastoral concern that goes back to the very origins of the Church and has continued in her many works up to the present time.

*For our Common Home:*

**Let us draw inspiration from the words of St. John Paul II:** “if the ‘dream’ of a peaceful world is shared by all, if the refugees’ and migrants’ contribution is properly evaluated, then humanity can become more and more a universal family and our earth a true ‘common home’. Throughout history, many have believed in this “dream”, and their achievements are a testament to the fact that it is no mere utopia.

Among these, we remember St. Frances Xavier Cabrini in this year that marks the hundredth anniversary of her death. On the thirteenth day of November, many ecclesial communities celebrate her memory. This remarkable woman, who devoted her life to the service of migrants and became their patron saint, taught us to welcome, protect, promote and integrate our brothers and sisters. Through her intercession, may the Lord enable all of us to experience that “a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace.”



The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time  
January 20/21, 2018

**ST. JOHN BOSCO PARISH**

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Last Sunday's Collection

\$ 3, 343.00

Together we Serve \$ 120.00

Children's collection \$ 39.00

Thank you for your donations!!

**Parish Priest: Rev. Raja SDB**

**Deacon Jose Huezo**

**Mia Turlock**

**Theresa Wile**

**Pastoral Assistant**

**Pastoral Assistant**

**PRAYER CORNER:**

**Sandy Gow**

**Rose Auburn**

**REFLECTIONS ON TODAY'S GOSPEL**

**A mother would always call her children to go home for lunch as they play in front of their house.** The moment the children hear her voice they would immediately pack things up to respond to her call. Why? For the simple reason that she is their mother, the one who takes care of them, who feeds them and who gives her time for them.

**The four disciples knew something that we don't know.** That's why they responded to Jesus' call. Jesus did not promise them anything verbally but perhaps Jesus was silently talking to them in their hearts. That if they would respond they would have a new perspective about life and the afterlife. And if they would respond He would take care of them for the rest of their lives.

**What is it that keeps us from responding to the call of Jesus?** Are we afraid to lose our financial security? Are we afraid to leave behind our family and friends? Are we afraid to leave behind our vices and sinfulness? We are on a temporary journey in this world, whatever worldly things that we presently have are temporary and passing.

**Jesus is calling us to follow Him** and leave whatever worldliness and sinfulness that we have for Him. For example, the call would go this way: Follow me and leave behind your sinful life, follow me and begin to live a fulfilled, peaceful and meaningful life.

Perhaps, Jesus is not asking us to leave our present environment and be with Him in another place. Perhaps Jesus is telling us this: **Follow me where you are today** by leaving behind whatever sinfulness that you are in right now. Never worry when you do so for I will take care of you and will never leave you alone.