

WE PRAY FOR ALL THE SICK PEOPLE OF OUR PARISH...

If you have someone you would like added to the prayer list and/or they would like communion brought to them (in hospital or at home), please call the Parish Office 705 652-3231 OR talk with Fr. Sany.

OCTOBER 22nd ST. POPE JOHN PAUL II: St. John Paul II, Latin Johannes

Paulus, original name Karol Józef Wojtyła, (born May 18, 1920, Wadowice, Poland-died April 2, 2005, Vatican City; beatified May 1, 2011), ; canonized April 27, 2014; feast day October 22), the bishop of Rome and head of the Roman Catholic Church (1978–2005), the first non-Italian pope in 455 years and the first from a Slavic country. His pontificate of more than 26 years was the third longest in history. As part of his effort to promote greater



understanding between nations and between religions, he undertook numerous trips abroad, traveling far greater distances than had all other popes combined, and he extended his influence beyond the church by campaigning against political oppression and criticizing the materialism of the West. He also issued several unprecedented apologies to groups that historically had been wronged by Catholics, most notably Jews and Muslims. His unabashed Polish nationalism and his emphasis on nonviolent political activism aided the Solidarity movement in communist Poland in the 1980s and ultimately contributed to the peaceful dissolution of the Soviet Union in 1991. More generally, John Paul used his influence among Catholics and throughout the world to advance the recognition of human dignity and to deter the use of violence.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY: This week is the special collection for World Mission Sunday. Please be generous and use the envelopes in the box.

DID YOU KNOW? You can sign up for SACRAMENTS on the Parish Website



stjosephsdouro.com. Baptism, Reconciliation and Communion, and Funeral information forms are all there. If you have a child or know of a child in Grade 2 or older who is ready to receive the sacraments of Reconciliation and First Communion please go to the website and fill in the appropriate form. This year the lessons will be done online using the books recommended by the Diocese.

Students in Grade 7 or older who are ready to receive the sacrament of Confirmation can also be signed up through the website and instruction will be online as well. Children attending St. Joseph's school have already been contacted.

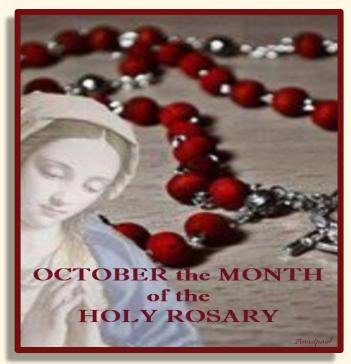
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Pastor: Rev. Fr. Sanyatson Seshaiah Administrative Assistant: Marvann Clancy **CWL:** Mary McKeiver Knights of Col.: Dan Moloney



Marriage: Baptism: Reconciliation: Home Communion: Music Ministry: Cemetery Board: Diocese Website:

By arrangement (min. 6 months prior) By arrangement with the Parish Office Sat 4:00—4:30 pm or by appointment **Anytime upon request Tina McCarthy & Amy Melanson** Bob Condon 705-772-6071 www.peterboroughdiocese.org St. Joseph's School: Principal: Mark Collins 705-652-3961



WELCOME TO ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH October 18, 2020 29th Sunday of Ordinary Time

St. Joseph's Parish Mass Intentions

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READINGS FOR THIS WEEK		READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK	
29 th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – October 18		30th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – October 25	
First Reading: Second Reading: Gospel:	Isaiah 45:1, 4-6 Thessalonians 1:1-5B Matthew 22: 15-21	First Reading: Second Reading: Gospel:	Exodus 22:20-26 Thessalonians 1:5C-10 Matthew 22: 34-40

God remains near to us in suffering when we pray

In his catechesis at the Wednesday General Audience, Pope Francis reflects on the witness of prayer as laid out in the Book of Psalms, saying the door to God's heart is always open in our moments of pain. He called the Old Testament book a "gymnasium and home of countless men and women of prayer."

As part of the books of wisdom, the Psalms communicate to the believer "knowing how to pray". "In the Psalms we find all human sentiments: the joys, the sorrows, the doubts, the hopes, the bitterness that colour our lives," said the Pope. God, he added, inspired the language of prayer in the books so that those who read them might learn how to praise, thank, implore, and invoke Him. "In short, the Psalms are the word of God that we human beings use to speak with Him."

The prayers in the Psalms arise out of lived experience, not abstract ideas, said the Pope. "To pray them it is enough for us to be what we are," with all our problems and uncertainties. Pope Francis went on to explore how the Psalmist confronts the issue of suffering, saying it is accepted as part of life and thus transformed into a question. "Until when?" he said, is the question that remains unanswered.

"Every suffering calls for liberation, every tear calls for consolation, every wound awaits healing, every slander a sentence of absolution." The Psalms, said the Pope, reminds us that life is not saved unless suffering is healed. The person who prays, he added, knows that they are "are precious in the eyes of God, and so it makes sense to cry out." The Psalms show us that crying out to God in prayer "is the way and beginning of salvation."

Pope Francis said prayer turns pain into "a relationship: a cry for help waiting to intercept a listening ear." "All human pains for God are sacred," he added. "Before God we are not strangers, or numbers. We are faces and hearts, known one by one, by name." So, said Pope Francis, the believer finds an answer to suffering in the Psalms. "He knows that even if all human doors were barred, God's door is open. Even if the whole world had issued a verdict of condemnation, there is salvation in God." The Pope said the person who prays knows that problems are not always solved, but "if we are listened to, everything becomes more bearable."

In conclusion, Pope Francis said prayer saves us from suffering in abandonment, because our prayers rise up to God who "cries for every son and daughter who suffers and dies." "If we maintain our relationship with Him," he said, "life does not spare us suffering, but we open up to a great horizon of goodness and set out towards its fulfilment."