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**24th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
Sunday, September 13th, 2020

**PERMANENT DEACON**  
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*Readings for the 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time:*

**PASTORAL MINISTER**  
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- **First Reading - Sirach 27:30 - 28:7**  
*The sinner abounds in wrath. It is the Lord who punishes, and we are to forgive injustice and be merciful. We should think of our last days.*

**PARISH CATECHIST**  
Bridget Corneil  
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- **Second Reading - Romans 14:7-9**  
*After the example of Christ, who died for sinners, we must strive to live for God and for others.*

**PARISH SECRETARY**  
Pam Blackwell

- **Gospel - Matthew 18:21-35**  
*Jesus answers Peter that we are to forgive our neighbour's faults without any limit. Jesus uses the parable of the unjust steward who was forgiven a large debt by his master but refused to forgive a small debt owed to himself. The master then dealt severely with his official.*

**CUSTODIAN**  
Brian MacDiarmid

**Sunday Mass**  
Saturday 5:15 pm; Sunday 9:00 & 11 am

**Weekday Mass**  
7 pm—Tuesday  
12 noon—Wednesday  
8:30 am—Thursday  
\*8:30 am—Friday (\* at 7pm during Lent)

**Parish Rosary**  
Tuesday following mass  
Wednesday during Adoration  
Thursday & Friday following mass

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:** 11 am - 12 noon—Wednesday

**Children's Liturgy**  
Suspended at this time

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**  
By appointment ONLY.  
Please call Fr. Don in the Parish Office 519-471-7022

**Baptism** - Please make arrangements at least 12 weeks in advance with Fr. Don

**Marriage** - Arrangements to be made one year in advance


<i>Mass for this week</i>
<b>Tuesday, September 15th - 7 pm</b> • Fr. Joe Redmond, O.M.I. - Max & Elizabeth Heidel
<b>Wednesday, September 16th</b> <b>11 am - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</b> <b>12 noon</b> • Fran Taylor - Mike Taylor
<b>Thursday, September 17th - 8:30 am</b> • Helen Krieger - George Krieger
<b>Friday, September 18th - 8:30 am</b> • Paul VanLondersele - Joe & Family
<b>Should you wish to have a mass said for a friend or loved one, please contact the Parish Office. Pam will make arrangements with you to pick up a card, if needed.</b>
<b>At this time, Confessions will be heard by appointment only. Please call Fr. Don at 519-471-7022.</b>

**Our St. Vincent de Paul** continues to help those in need with non-perishable food during the Covid-19 crisis. Should you find that you are in need of food assistance, please contact Pam in the Parish Office. All calls are confidential and handled discreetly.



**St. George Parish – SEASONS OF HOPE** offers the bereaved an opportunity to come together to share in God’s love. With the support of the faith community, we can give voice to our unique journeys of grief. The program helps participants navigate the grief process while being guided toward a path of healing. It explores mourning through

scripture, prayer, personal reflection, faith sharing and is facilitated by our Bereavement Ministry. Come and be comforted. SEASONS OF HOPE is offered four times a year with a new series each season. Attend one season or as many seasons as needed to help in your healing journey. Register online at [www.stgeorgelondon.ca](http://www.stgeorgelondon.ca). Seasons of Hope begins September 16 – October 21. There are three times slots to choose from, 10:00 am – 11:30 am, 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm or 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm. There are only (6) spots available per session. We highly recommend this program that our family of parishes is offering.

 **Tree Talk:** *Never prune healthy roots. They store energy and cutting them off reduces the amount of energy available to the plant. Young trees need all the energy they can muster to establish themselves.*

**40 DAYS FOR LIFE** (Prayers and Fasting to stop abortion) begins with a vigil on Tuesday, September 22nd, at the corner of Wellington and Commissioners Road from 8 - 9 pm. It will run from Wednesday, September 23rd until Sunday, November 1st (including Sundays). Our Parish Days are Thursday, October 1st and Friday, October 23rd. This is such an important witness to the culture of life. Please contact Marianne Proulx at 519-686-9581 or [marianneproulx@gmail.com](mailto:marianneproulx@gmail.com) to book your time slot.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Share Lent collection had to be postponed. This collection for **Development and Peace – Caritas Canada COVID-19: Recovering Together** will now take place the weekend of September 19th/20th. Bishop Fabbro's letter supporting this collection is included as an attachment. If you have not already done so, please use your “Share Lent” envelope from your Offertory boxes, or a blank envelope with “Share Lent” written on the outside. Donations by cheque should always be made payable to “*St. John the Divine Parish*”. **Please note** that any donations received earlier this year for Share Lent have already been forwarded to the Diocese for Development and Peace.



Another special collection that was put on hold due to the COVID-19 pandemic was the **2020 Annual Parish Appeal for St. Peter’s Seminary**. Support from Parishioners for the Seminary in the annual appeal helps cover day-to-day expenses and the final capital renovations of the Seminary building. If you have not already done so, you can use your envelope from your offertory box to make a donation to St. Peter’s Seminary, or a blank envelope marked that it’s a donation for the Seminary. Any donation by cheque should always be made payable to “*St. John the Divine Parish*”. **Please note** that any donations received earlier in the year for this appeal have already been forwarded to St. Peter’s Seminary. Donations can also be made directly to this Appeal by going to their website [stpetersseminary.ca](http://stpetersseminary.ca). The Appeal will remain open for contributions until the start of the 2021 Appeal.



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