

Mass Intentions

Saturday, Sept. 12

5:00 p.m. S.I. of Allan & Alice Gamble *by Barb Gamble & Family*
S.I. of Elaine Thacker *by Harold & Judy Keelan*

Sunday, Sept. 13 24th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00 a.m. Missa Pro Populo (For the People of the Parish)
11:00 a.m. ☩ John Jr. & David Vanderhorst *by Rick & Joyce Vanderhorst*
S.I. of Christine Noveler *by Glipo Family*
S.I. of Marina Cameron *by Barbara Gamble*

Tuesday, Sept. 15

7:00 p.m. S.I. of Zeny Glipo *by Arcadio, Sarita Glipo & Family*

S.I. of Elaine Thacker *by Elaine Thacker*

Wednesday, Sept. 16

9:00 a.m.

Thursday, Sept. 17

7:00 p.m. S.I. of Karen Gabor & Family *by Minia Family*

Friday, Sept. 18

9:00 a.m.

Saturday, Sept. 19

5:00 p.m. ☩ Gavino & Tomasa de Ocampo & Family *by Minia Family*
☩ Kathleen Helen Milne Day *by Kathy Milne Day*

Sunday, Sept. 20 25th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00 a.m. Missa Pro Populo (For the People of the Parish)
S.I. of Suzett Calaramo *by Suzett Calaramo*
11:00 a.m. S.I. of Joseph & Luisa Casciano *by Casciano Family*
S.I. of Allan & Alice Gamble *by Barbara Gamble*
S.I. of Marina Cameron *by Barbara Gamble*

LITURGY OF THE WORD 2025-2026

SUNDAY: YEAR A WEEKDAY - YEAR 1

First Reading: (*Sirach 27:30-28:7*).
In refusing to forgive those who have sinned against us, we exclude ourselves from receiving God's forgiveness for our own sins.

Second Reading: (*Rom 14:7-9*).
The entire existence of a Christian is for Christ and for others.

Gospel:
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We must be willing to extend to others the generous forgiveness God has extended to us.

PRAYER: FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS (Thomas Aquinas)

"To You, O God, Fountain of Mercy, I come, a sinner. May You wash away my impurity Sun of Justice, give sight to the blind. O Eternal Healer, cure the wounded. O Good Shepherd, lead back the straying, and give the balm of grace to the hard of heart. O most merciful God, call back the one who flees, draw back the one who resists, lift the one who falls, support the one who stands, and accompany the one who walks."

BREAKING DOWN THE BARRIERS EXIST BETWEEN ME AND THE OTHER. *Sirach 27.30-28.7; Psalm 103.1-12; Romans 14.7-9; Matthew 18.21-35*

This Sunday the Gospel emphasizes more directly the great need to forgive. Jesus tells the parable of the unforgiving debtor. The message of the parable is obvious. God forgives each of us repeatedly, as we turn to him for forgiveness, in proportion to our forgiveness of one another. In the second reading from St. Paul to the Romans, we are told that, the life and death of each one of us has its influence on others. Our Christian vocation is, among other things, to witness to God's forgiveness to ourselves by doing the same for others. How can others know the forgiveness of God if they do not see us Christians practicing it?

Forgiveness is at the very heart of who God is. If we don't forgive, what does it mean? It is a clear sign of our inability to love another. We all know that if someone we love, like a spouse or a friend, does something hurtful to us, our first reaction may be anger but usually this gives way to forgiveness because of our love for the other. However, if someone we really don't like does the same deed, it usually would be harder to forgive that person because we don't have the same love for him or her as we have for our spouse or friend.

Refusing to forgive is also a sign that we are determined to keep the barrier between the other and ourselves, it can even cut us off from the other. What if God acted in a like manner? Forgiveness shows us that we wish to break down the barriers that could exist between another and ourselves and so we choose to be connected and united with others.

Also, very often it is our ego-centered selves that have been hurt and we find it hard to forgive. Some time ago I met a man who refused to forgive another. I asked him why. He said that if he made the first move it would be a sign of weakness, but the longer the unforgiveness goes on the harder it is going to be for him to forgive. This person also shared that every time he saw the man whom he wouldn't forgive coming towards him in the street or at a meeting he would tense up and move to the other side of the street or whatever was necessary to avoid him. We see here what unforgiveness does to ourselves and this too is one of the reasons why God asks us to forgive because we also suffer ourselves. Some medical doctors are of opinion that certain people suffer from various ailments or sicknesses because the energy that should be used to deal with these is locked up in unforgiveness.

Finally, one important prayer we might want to say is 'Lord, help me to forgive others for being different'. It is a very appropriate prayer for people who are married or living in a community that lives close to another with differences in personalities, likes or dislikes, and behaviour patterns.

Breaking down the barriers that exist between me and the other demands a profound human connection with one another, empathy, and reconciliation.

May God bless all of us
Father Thomas Manninezhath, CMI

God has forgiven us so much, yet we sometimes find it difficult to forgive others, even for small things...Forgiveness is not always easy. Sometimes we carry hurt, anger, or resentment in our hearts...When we forgive, we are not only helping the other person but also freeing our own hearts...Let us grow in mercy, patience, and love, so that we may reflect the compassionate heart of God in our relationships with one another.



Thank you for your support OFFERTORY September 6, 2026

Envelopes: \$2,635.25, E-transfer: \$310.00, non-envelopes: \$1074.25

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED

Come and serve the Lord and your church community as an altar server. Training will be provided for all interested candidates in Grade 4 and up. If you are interested in this ministry, please contact the parish office 519-396-2505 or contact Jove Gabor, jovegabor@gmail.com

MONTHLY BIRTHDAY AND WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Sunday of the First Week of each month, we shall celebrate all birthdays and anniversaries (present, past and future days) of the month. The celebration will be in the Parish Hall immediately after the 11 a.m. Holy Mass.

If you would like to participate in this jovial programme of our parish family, kindly register by completing the registration form available in the narthex OR contacting the parish office OR giving your information to one of the parish volunteers.

We shall announce those names on the first Sunday of every month and pray for their intentions during the Mass.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

We will resume this Sunday September 13, 2026. It will run during the 11am Sunday Mass. The program is aimed for children in grades JK-Grade 2—approximately ages 4-9. The program is intended to support children in their faith formation as they learn about what is happening in the parts of the Mass. We would welcome parents or grandparents to join and observe. We warmly welcome and encourage our parishioners to consider volunteering to this ministry. For more information, please call 519-575-2748 or email donnamarieward50@gmail.com.

ST. VINCENT de PAUL

The St. Vincent de Paul Collection will be taken this weekend. Collection Boxes are in the Narthex. Please be generous.

RCIA: The rite of Christian initiation of adults is a process through which adults become members of the Catholic Church through Baptism, the Eucharist and Confirmation. Our preparatory sessions will begin at the end of September. If you or someone you know would like to become a Roman Catholic, please contact the parish office. The sessions are also open to any parishioners who wish to grow in their understanding of the Catholic faith and deepen their spiritual life.

AI AND HUMAN DIGNITY The Office for Evangelization and Catechesis invites you to join us as we explore Pope Leo's first encyclical, *Magnifica Humanitas* and our call to protect human dignity in an age of technological revolution. There will be 2 locations for this series:

Kitchener: Saturday, October 24th, 2026 (1:00 – 3:00pm): St. Anthony Daniel Parish, Kitchener

Hamilton: Tuesday, November 3rd, 2026 (1:00 – 3:00pm): Chancery Office, Hamilton

Registration and more information can be found here: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/events/2026/07/ai-and-human-dignity-workshop/>.

THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS

September - For the care of water

Let us pray for a just and sustainable management of water, a vital resource, so that everyone may have equal access to it.

*Welcome to all our visitors and guests.
We wish you fruitful and relaxing days during your stay with us.*

St. Anthony of Padua Church

"Sharing Our Faith in God Through Service to Our Neighbour"

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SEPTEMBER 13, 2026



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Custodian: Mr. Wayne Brownrigg

Sunday Mass

Saturday - 5:00 p.m.

Sunday - 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Daily Mass

Tuesday and Thursday - 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday and Friday - 9:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays - 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Sacrament of Baptism

Please contact the Parish office to schedule a meeting with the Pastor to plan.

Sacrament of Marriage

Please contact the Parish office to schedule a meeting with the Pastor to plan **at least 1 year** prior to the proposed celebration as a preparation program is required.

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Welcome to St. Anthony's

Kindly remember our St. Anthony of Padua Parish, Kincardine, Ontario, in your BEQUESTS AND WILLS for the benefit of the parish and its pastoral activities.