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#### **Sacraments**

Weekday Masses

Please refer to the schedule in the bulletin

Weekend Masses

Saturday – 4:30 PM (Highland Grove) Sunday 9:00 AM (Chandos/Apsley)

11:00 AM (Cardiff)

**Baptism** 

by appointment

Reconciliation

30 minutes before weekend Masses

**Anointing of the Sick & Communion for Shut-Ins** 

Please call the office 613-339-2852

**Marriages** 

First appointment at least 6 months prior to wedding date Couples are required to attend Marriage Preparation session

**Devotions** 

Mother of Perpetual Help Novena

Wednesday 11:00 AM (Cardiff)

Eucharistic Adoration / Rosary / Benediction

First Fridays 11:30 AM (Cardiff)

First Saturdays 5:30 PM (Highland Grove)

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# TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR A) SEPTEMBER 10,, 2023 MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Day	Location	Time	Intentions	Donors
Sat. 09	Highland Grove	4:30PM	Holy Souls in purgatory	
Sun. 10	Chandos	9:00 AM	Holy Souls in purgatory	
	Cardiff	11:00 AM	For the People of the parish	
Mon.11	NO MASS		FR. OFF	
Tue. 12	Highland Grove	7:00 PM	No intention	
Wed.13	Cardiff	11:00 PM	+Pietro Marchina	Evelyn Mutis
Thu. 14	Cardiff	11:00 AM	No intention	
Fri. 15	Cardiff	11:00 AM	No intention	
Sat. 16	Highland Grove	4:30 PM	Intention of Bernard Ironside	Frances Ironside
Sun . 17	Chandos	9:00 AM	+George/Ella Beattie/Miranda Canella	Georgina Cosentino
	Cardiff	11:00AM	+Joseph Vachon	Madeleine Vachon

Weekly Financial Report						
	Sept. 03 2023	Aug. 27, 2023				
Highland Grove	\$437.00	\$355.00				
Chandos /Apsley	\$1165.00	\$382.00				
Cardiff	\$890.00	\$787.00				
Total (Offertory)	\$2492.00	\$1524.00				
Mass Stipends	\$80.00					
Donations	\$826.75.00					
Candles	\$40.00					
POP August 15	\$1540.00					
POP August 30	\$1940.00					

Lectors							
Date	H. Grove	Chandos	Cardiff				
	Sat. 4:30 PM	Sun. 9:00AM	Sun. 11:00 AM				
Sept. 9/10		Gene t.	Gary B.				
Sept. 16/17	Gary B.	Sharon C.	Theresa P.				
Sept. 23/24		Frances P.	Charlene F.				
Se.30/Oc.1	Brenda B.	Gene t.	Peter Mc.				
Oc.t 7/8	Mackenzie B.	Sharon C.	Gary B				

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BIRTHDAYS FOR SEPTEMBER: Jack Burroughs (9th) Hermance Therrien (9th) Happy birthday and many more fruitful years ahead!

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY FOR SEPTEMBER: Joanne/Gary Burroughs (14th) Sandy/Ted Cole (23rd), Elaine/David Hayes (25th). Congratulations and more love power ahead!

DO YOU WANT TO BE REMEMBERED IN PRAY-ER AS YOU CELEBRATE YOUR BIRHTDAY OR ANNIVERSARY? Let Fr. Vic know about it by signing your name and date on the sheet provided for located at the entrance of all the churches. Thank you.

HOLIDAY: Fr. Vic will be on vacation leaving on Sept. 17 till Oct. 27 to visit his family in the Philippines. In his absence Fr. Peter Wayow will take over.

CARPET CLEANED/DONATION.: The three churches had their carpets/rugs cleaned/steamed professionally which incurred a total cost of \$3,124.16. The amount maybe relatively high but it is a must that we do it this year since it has not been professionally cleaned in almost ten years. Should you consider making a donation to defray the cost it would greatly be appreciated.

At the end of the year you will be issued a receipt for your personal charitable income tax deduction. Thank you for your generosity!

MARIAN'S FAREWELL! There will be a Farewell Potluck for Marian Ralph on Sept. 16, 2023 after the 4:30 Mass in Highland Grove. It will be held at the Highland Grove Community Center. Marian has played music for our church for the past 10 years. We will miss you Marian and we wish you all the best.

#### **DATES TO REMEMBER!!!**

SEPT. 14 @ 7PM—BUILDING/PROP COMM. MTG.

SEPT. 15 @7PM—FINANCE COMM. MEETING

READINGS NEXT WEEK (SEPT. 17, 2023) 24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Sirach 27:30—28:9

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Those who seek God's mercy must be merciful toward others.

#### Romans 14:7-9

We belong to the Lord.

### Matthew 18:21-35

Jesus teaches that we must forgive one another as God has forgiven us.

# Background on the Gospel Reading

Today's Gospel reading directly follows <u>last week's Gospel</u> in which Jesus taught the disciples how to handle disputes and conflict within the Christian community. In today's reading Peter asks Jesus how many times one ought to extend forgiveness to another. Peter proposes a reasonable number of times, perhaps seven. Jesus replies by extending Peter's proposal by an enormous amount; not just seven times should one forgive, but 77 times. The parable of the unforgiving servant is Jesus' elaboration of his initial reply to Peter. Through the parable we come to understand the depths of God's mercy toward us and the results of our acceptance of God's forgiveness.

The king in the parable decides to settle accounts with his servants. We are told that one servant in particular owes the king an enormous sum of money. Despite the promise of the servant, it is unlikely that he would ever be able to repay the debt that he owes. The king is moved by the humility of the pleading servant and mercifully forgives the debt. Rather than displaying gratitude for this forgiveness, the servant confronts a fellow servant who owes him a small debt—a pittance when compared with the amount that was owed to the king. The unmerciful servant refuses the pleas of his fellow servant and sends the servant to prison.

A few other servants tell the merciful king about the actions of the unforgiving servant. The king punishes the servant because he refused to show the kind of mercy he had himself received from the king. Jesus concludes by indicating that this is how it will be with God and those who refuse to forgive one another.

There is a temptation to quantify forgiveness as Peter tried to do, but Jesus' point is that forgiveness is not about quantity—the number of times we extend forgiveness to another. In the parable the king's forgiveness is like God's forgiveness, and it transforms us, helping us to be as forgiving as God. The lesson is clear: If we hoard God's mercy while showing no mercy to others, we risk forfeiting the effects of God's mercy in our lives. (Loyola Press)

### Pray for those in need of healing and health

Philip Hughes, Nick Novakowski, Rhys Telka, Jane Tsagrinos, Fr. Bart Burke, Eileen Carr, Ella Richard, Emilee Callzonetti, Pierre Longevin, Eleanor Cadeau, Hermance Therrien, George Chennette, Shannon Reid, Megan Connelly, Regina Gedge, Dan, Claudette Wilkinson,, Eley Wisniewski, Al & Laura Quinn, Josie Recto, Sr. Naty Noblezada, Theresa Yaskolski, Even Marshall, Danny Wanless, Fr. Ron Meyer, Fr. Claire Hickson, Fr. Damian Smullen

Any Questions? What should I say to God? I'm ot sure how to start my end of the conversation....

Just talk to him from your heart. A good way to talk to God is to remember the acronym "ACTS". A is for "Adoration". That is simply telling God how amazing he is. Think of your favorite church song or the "gloria" from the Mass and sing it to God in your heart. C is for "Contrition. Contrition involves examining your conscience and asking God for forgiveness and strength. You can't grow as a person if you're not doing that everyday. T is for "Thanksgiving". Gratitude is a very powerful attitude. Count our blessings everyday-especially on the days you're tempted to think your life stinks. S is for "Supplication". This means asking God for things you need or interceding for things other people need. If you get up 10 minutes early every morning, prayerfully read God's Word(perhaps the Gospel of the day), and then talk to God in the quiet before you go to school, it will change your life! (Set that alarm just a little earlier if you need to).

"Opposites might attract when it comes to personality but opposites never attract when it comes to character."

"Love your body. It knows what you think, From your emotions spring health or illness. Send yourself positive thoughts all the time."

"Meditate at least 30 minutes a day. Live more in your heart and less in your head. Get rid of hatred and bitterness. They do you more harm."

"The glory of God is a living person and the life of each living person is the vision of God." St Irenaeus

Let's Laugh......Kerry the tomcat was scampering all over the neighborhood down alleys, up fire escapes, into cellars. A disturbed neighbor knocked on the owner's door and said, "Your cat is rushing about like mad.. "I know," the man conceded. "Kerry's just been neutered and he's running around cancelling engagements." L. Wilde



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