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Fatherhood Fast Forward

Canada reveals that in 1976, 1 out of every 70 families with a stay-at-home parent was the father. By 2015, that number grew to about 1 in 10 fathers representing a significant increase over those years. For the majority of fathers employed outside of the home, they are striving to balance home and work commitments as a priority. This change in focus is reflected in being more present to their family, supporting the relationships that are essential to its growth and maturity while forging a true masculine identity in their midst.

With a deeper focus on prayer, living and witnessing to the Faith, building the strength of the marriage covenant and taking on more day-to-day responsibilities, our fathers are walking in the shadow of St. Joseph. In 1989, Saint John Paul II issued the Apostolic Exhortation, *Guardian of the Redeemer: On the Person and Mission of St. Joseph in the Life of Christ and the Church*. This apostolic exhortation articulates the Catholic understanding of fatherhood and reflects these current promising trends.

St. Joseph was called by God to serve the person and mission of Jesus directly through the exercise of his fatherhood. It is precisely in this way that, as the Church's Liturgy teaches, he "cooperated in the fullness of time in the great mystery of salvation" and is truly a "minister of salvation." His fatherhood is expressed concretely "in his having made his life a service, a sacrifice to the mystery of the Incarnation and to the redemptive mission connected with it; in having used the legal authority which was his over the Holy Family in order to make a total gift of self, of his life and work; in having turned his human vocation to domestic love into a superhuman oblation of self, an oblation of his heart and all his abilities into love placed at the service of the Messiah growing up in his house." (Redemptoris Custos, 1989, No. 8.)

The landscape of family roles is challenged by contemporary shifts in our culture and society. Fatherhood is not exempt from the impact of these changes. However, there are promising trends in the lives of faithful men who are called to the vocation of marriage and family. The Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC) affirms the vital role of the father in the family, *"The divine fatherhood is the source of human fatherhood; this is the foundation of the honor owed to parents."* (CCC, 2214) I want to encourage fathers who in striving to be authentic examples for their children live this important calling in our present culture.

Statistics Canada reports that there are about 8.5 million fathers in Canada and that in contrast to previous generations, they are beginning to assume a more engaged role in the family. I have witnessed a growing number of fathers becoming more active in their faith life through gatherings such as our annual God Squad Men's Conference and programs that support men's spiritual growth and fraternity like *That Man is You*, *Exodus 90*, and others. Additionally, they are assuming a greater share of the household tasks which reflects the loving, caring face of fatherhood that we see in Scripture.

Inspired by these changes, some fathers are also beginning to reshape the relationship between family and work. Data from Statistics



Pope Francis reemphasized the link between fatherhood and St. Joseph during a papal audience in 2015 saying, *“For the younger generations, fathers are the irreplaceable guardians and mediators of faith in the goodness, of faith in the justice, and faith in the protection of God, like Saint Joseph.”* In the same year during a series of talks on the family, His Holiness speculated that a wise and mature father would be able to say to his adult children, *“I taught you things that you didn’t know, I corrected errors that you did not see. I let you feel an affection that was both deep and discreet that perhaps you did not fully recognize when you were young and unsure. I gave you witness of rigor and willpower that perhaps you did not understand when you just wanted complicity and protection.”*

There have been and are many challenges in fulfilling the role of a father in the past, today, and foreseeably, into the future. As I have come to see in my own life, the gift of a father’s presence is both formative and an instrument of blessing. Let us pray with gratitude for the men of faith in our lives who are loving husbands and fathers, leaders in parishes, wise stewards in communities and above all, humble disciples of Jesus Christ.

Most Rev. William T. McGrattan, *Bishop of Calgary*

June, 2019

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Fatherhood through the lens of Tim Neufeld

Written by Nadia Hinds



Faithfully spoke with Tim Neufeld, based out of Abbotsford, BC. Neufeld first achieved success as the co-founder and lead singer of EMI recording artist STARFIELD. He has toured the world for over a decade, shared the stage with countless Canadian Country, Roots and Christian artists, and won multiple JUNO, Dove, and Covenant Awards. Tim Neufeld has been married for 15 years to Carla and is the father of three children, Haven 10, Oliver 9, and Bowen 6.

What do you love most about being a dad?

Tim: I love sharing my life with my family. Of all the different roles I play in life, the husband/father role is the most rewarding thing I've ever known. It's hard being a father, but in the best sort of way, and it helps me understand more about what love really is. Becoming a father made me a whole person. It made me re-evaluate what's most important. More than anything, I want to raise good and kind people. I feel blessed to have that responsibility!

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UPCOMING EVENTS



CEMETERY MASSES

Dates for 2019 Cemetery Masses:

June 18, Tue., 7:30 pm | St Mary's Cemetery
(Erlton St. & 31 Ave SW, Calgary)

June 19, Wed., 7:30 pm | Edenbrook Cemetery
(24223 Township Rd 242, Calgary)

August 13, Tue., 7:30 pm | Queen's Park Cemetery
(3219 4 St NW, Calgary)

August 14, Wed., 7:30 pm | Mountain View Cemetery
(1605 100 St SE, Calgary)



Ordination Mass

June 28, 2019

St. Mary's Cathedral at
219 18 Avenue SW, Calgary



70th Anniversary of Mount St. Francis

August 18, 2019

Mount St. Francis Retreat Centre at
41160 Retreat Road, Cochrane



**SATURDAY
AUGUST
24, 2019
ST. JAMES
CHURCH**

DISTANCES & FEES

\$55 - 1/2 Marathon

\$45 - 10 Km

\$40 - 5 Km road race

First race starts at 8 am

Register at:

stjamesparishokotoks.ca

FOR KIDS

Activities, and kid friendly race
distances throughout the day until 3 pm
No pre-registration required

Breakfast and lunch provided
by the K of C and CWL

For a full list of events visit
www.catholiccycc.ca/calendar

What's it like reuniting with your family after you've been on tour?

Tim: It is the most amazing feeling in the world. I'm just completing a two-week tour, and have most of the summer off, so I'm looking forward to some quality time with the kids. Family ice-cream outings, building a tree fort, and Friday movie nights are just a few of the things on the list. I get to do all the things I loved from my childhood all over again through the eyes of my kids... How cool is that?

What are some of the challenges you face as a father?

Tim: As amazing as it can be, there isn't a day that goes by without some sort of pain in parenting. I have to put the good of everyone else above my own. Sometimes I have to fight the urge to escape; to just let the kids veg out on their screens while I retreat somewhere and do the same. Any amount of time invested into meeting them at their level and simply just 'playing' with them, pays incredible dividends.

What message do you want to convey to your children?

Tim: I want my kids to be fearless, to love deeply, and to experience all that life can give them. I want them to be in touch with morality and their mortality. I want to raise children spiritually aligned with who God is and where they fit into the big picture. I want them to respect all people and be kindred spirits with each other. My prayer is that they'd always fight for what is right, and true, and trustworthy... constantly loving from the centre of who they are!

How has your dad inspired you as a father?

Tim: My father is the most moral man I've ever met. He has served his family in the most admirable ways. The older I get, the less I take our relationship for granted. We are a product of our parents.

What words of encouragement do you have for Christian dads?

Tim: For all dads, of any religion, be encouraged! Fatherhood is more than just a physical transaction; it is a spiritual thing. Too many dads leave when it gets tough. Let's break the cycle. You'll get back what you put in. Stick with your children, and really get to know them. It is the most rewarding thing you will do in this life.

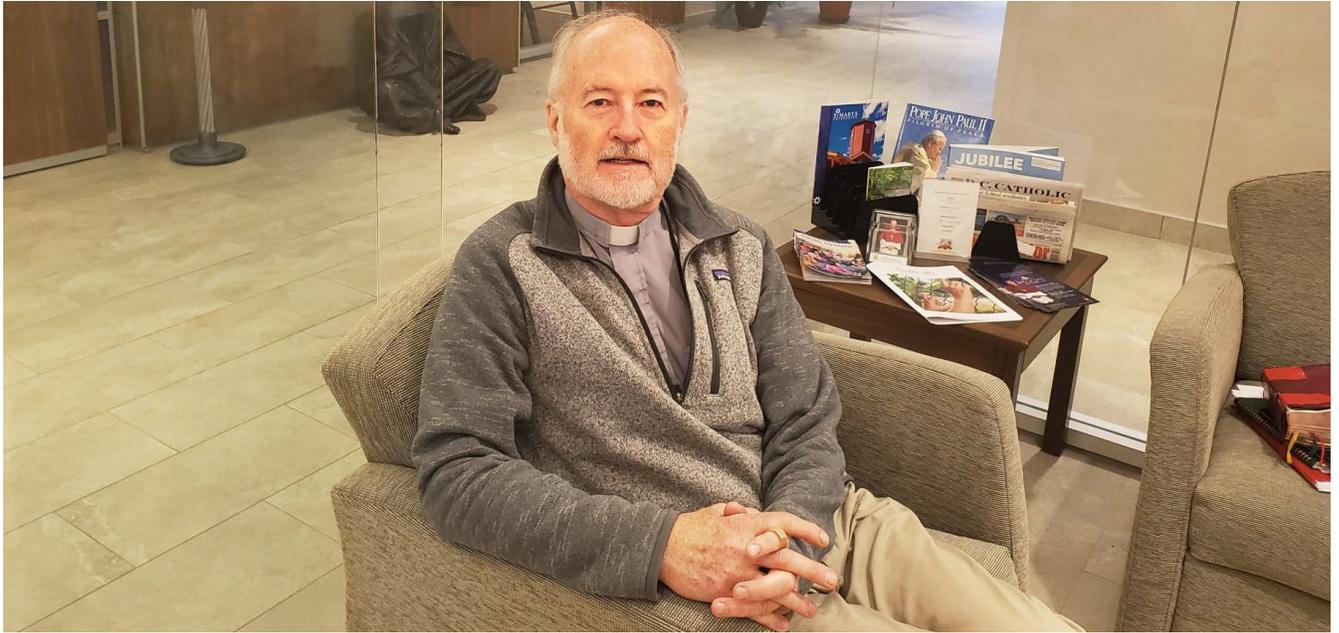


Photos courtesy of Tim Neufeld

The new single BLESSED
by 'Tim and the Glory Boys' is available to listen to at
<https://soundcloud.com/timandthegloryboys/blessed-1>

Our spiritual fathers

Written by: Joy Gregory



Fr. Timothy Boyle, Vicar for Clergy

Roman Catholic parishioners the world over will spill out of their parish churches on Sunday, June 16 with an especially-cheerful mission. En route to family engagements seasoned with handmade cards and gifts for dads old and new, many will stop to wish their parish priests a heartfelt, “Happy Father’s Day, Father.”

It’s a tradition Fr. Tim Boyle of Lethbridge has appreciated since his ordination in 1974. While the secular notion of fatherhood “is a metaphor I never used to understand myself as a priest,” he admits the good wishes are gratefully accepted.

Deacon Troy Nguyen is at a significantly different place in his priestly vocation. Nguyen, 31, will receive Holy Orders on Friday, June 28, 2019. While he will have to wait a year before he hears the “Happy Father’s Day, Father” of the June greeting, he and Boyle already hold one Father’s Day tradition in common; both of these

Calgary-born-and-raised priests use the occasion to thank God for their dads—and to contemplate their roles in the Church.

ARE YOU HUNGRY?

Nguyen says his dad is a man of few words. “But when we’re together at home, he’ll ask me, ‘are you hungry?’ I’ve come to recognize that simple question as an act of love and care. He wants to know if I am OK if I need anything. In some ways, I think I will be asking the people I serve the same question, ‘are you hungry?’ meaning, ‘how can I help, what do you need?’”

It’s an analogy Boyle can appreciate. He remembers his dad with great affection and is thankful for the many fathers he’s met in the parishes he’s worked in across southern Alberta. Like Nguyen, Boyle sees his vocation—and that of the secular dad—as rooted in service to others.



Deacon Troy Nguyen will be ordained priest on June 28, 2019 - Feast of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

Indeed, that notion of service nurtured Boyle's calling to the priesthood. He had an uncle who served as a missionary priest. As well, Boyle's family (his dad and the six children), pulled together to care for their wife and mother after she was diagnosed with multiple sclerosis. Volunteering at the old children's hospital gave Boyle additional frontline experience with service. "Those were some pretty formative experiences. And then I discovered that words have power, and I learned I had some ability to take ideas and give them expression in a way that helped people." That knowledge, combined with a lifetime of faith practice nourished in his family, brought Boyle into the priesthood. He was ordained at the age of 24.

Nguyen's journey included a break from seminary studies to finish a Bachelor of Education at the University of Alberta. In addition to teaching, he spent some time in the banking industry. The priestly vocation was "something I found really difficult to do at first," admits Nguyen. "I felt like I was giving up everything. Now I understand that Jesus is worth giving up everything for. When I see an icon of Jesus on the cross, I realize he's telling me, 'God is worth it.'"

As a priest, Nguyen will share that faith with the people he serves in the Calgary Diocese. Now based at St. Peter's, Nguyen also has strong ties to Calgary's Vietnamese community. He will be the first Canadian-born Vietnamese priest ordained in this city. "When people I've met tell me they hope I can be their father, I know they are talking about my spiritual role in their lives. Still, it's humbling."

Boyle's own role in the Church changed in 2018. Stepping back from the role of the parish priest, he now serves as the Bishop's Delegate to a Diocesan committee that follows up allegations of sexual abuse and misconduct by clergy. He's also the Vicar for Clergy, where he helps the Bishop with priest assignments. These are dramatically different roles for the long-time parish priest, but he accepts the challenges with the heart of a willing servant who believes the grace of Christ means "there will always be this core of love to keep His Church alive."

In the same way that earthly dads take care of their children, Boyle sees God's hand in the world. "Life is not in the hands of fate. It's not in the hands of chance. It's a divine story that has God as its beginning and God as its ending," says Boyle.

Nguyen echoes that sentiment. As a priest, he recognizes that his vocation is a gift from God that he can nurture with his faith. "Really, what people are looking for is hope. As a priest, I want to help them find that."

The unexpected path to fatherhood

Having served as a priest early in his life, Lance Dixon says that the slow ramp of becoming a spiritual father had accelerated his learning of how to be a father to his own child.

I must confess my road to fatherhood started off a little shaky. On the day I was to turn 26 years old, I was facing the terrifying reality of becoming a father - but perhaps not in the way one would expect. You see, on that day (All Saints Day, November 1, 1996 to be exact) I was also going to be ordained an Anglican priest, and I simply was not ready for people to call me 'Father' Lance! In fact, I was so determined to avoid this moniker that in my first homily as a priest I vainly urged the congregation, with a little tongue in cheek, to consider calling me 'Sonny' Lance. (After all, I was the age of most of their children at the time.)

Of course, the congregation, knowing me quite well by this time, ignored me, causing nothing of the ecclesial revolution I had hoped for. And to be honest, as one would guess, it was not the term at all that terrified me. It was the responsibility that went along with it. To be suddenly thrust into a position of spiritual authority over the life of a community is a daunting call, and I felt the gravitas of what I was taking on increase the closer the day.

Looking back, I am grateful for that terrifying ordeal. Unexpectedly, that experience prepared me for the even greater responsibility of being a father to my children. You see, as a spiritual father to a congregation, I could go home when I had enough for the day; I could call in sick I just wasn't feeling up to toughing it through another annual garage sale; I could neglect the odd duty, and a host of veteran lay workers would swoop in to fill the gaps. The upside was, that in the midst of these moments of neglect, I slowly learned how to take responsibility for the spiritual life of the congregation, how to be present to others in their time of need, to speak truth in love, to attend to both big and small things as the shepherd of their gifts.

And thank God I experienced those moments as a spiritual father to others, because in the first weeks after my child's birth, the only thing I could focus on was how completely inadequate I was at parenting! As a father of my own child, I didn't have the luxury of going home when I was tired of hearing the baby cry, or calling in sick when I just didn't feel like changing her diaper in the middle of the night or ignoring a tough decision on how to pay the bills to keep a roof over the head of my growing family. The slow ramp of becoming a spiritual father had accelerated my learning of how to be a father to my own child.



Dr. Lance Dixon

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When I look back, two things helped me embrace the challenge of being a father for my children. First, in learning how to be a spiritual father to others, I had come to rely on there being grace for every journey we go through - including parenting. Second, what kept me from being overwhelmed by how inadequate I was as a parent, was the complete joy and wonder of that little child in my hands. As I stood there in the middle of the operating room, time stood still, my mind completely enraptured in the miracle I was holding.

Okay, reality check. I now have countless broken household items, a hundred temper tantrums, and several round trips to the emergency ward between me and that moment. Which is why I'm so grateful when, amid the messiness of parenting, the Spirit nudges me to pause and ponder the wonder-filled gifts my children truly are.

A little over eight years ago, my time as an Anglican priest came to a close. I continue my faith journey in the Catholic Church, supporting our schools as chaplain and teacher. My three daughters are teenagers now, and they seem to come up with new things for me to have to get my head around. So, in short, I'm still finding my way through parenting. But one thing at least is for certain; I will always find firm ground on the grace and joy that is at the heart of being a father.

Dr. Lance Dixon currently serves as Director of Campus Ministry at St. Mary's University. Formerly an Anglican priest in Toronto, Lance moved to Alberta with his wife and children when he became a Catholic educator with Christ the Redeemer School Division, and most recently with Calgary Catholic School District. He is passionate about the new evangelization of the Church for mission in today's world.

Faithful fathers inspire others

TIM LYNN

Which man of faith in the Diocese of Calgary inspires you in their vocation as husband and father?

Here is what Sean Lynn said:

"That would be my Dad – Tim Lynn. I was raised in the faith here in Calgary. I've watched him grow as a man always trying to do the right thing, and he's passed that on to me. One of the things he says that comes to mind is you have to look at yourself every morning when you shave in the mirror and like the guy that looks back. He's always taught me to try and do the right thing, and I've followed in his footsteps as a police officer. I've always looked at that as a vocation, sharing the faith quietly with my actions and how I treat people. No matter what happened in his life, he identified as being Catholic and no situation was going to change that. We all have our struggles in life and holding on to that identity helps us to stay strong. Faith allows us to increase our resiliency or have something to fall back on when going through rough waters. And the number one thing was family. Recently we had four generations of Lynn men going to Mass. I had a picture taken because I saw it as such a blessing to see this legacy of faith."



Sean Lynn is a husband and father of eight children. He's worked for the Calgary Police Service as a constable for 31 years. He attends St. Peter's Parish in Calgary and is co-founder and current president of God Squad Canada.

Sean Lynn (left) with his father, Tim Lynn (middle) and his family.

JAMES PELOSO

Which man of faith in the Diocese of Calgary inspires you in their vocation as husband and father?

Here is what Brian Doran shared:



James Peloso

"We have been gifted by so many great men in our diocese that it is very difficult to narrow it down to just one. However, the first one that came to mind was James Peloso. He is an inspiration to me as a husband and father regarding how he brings his faith into all aspects of his life. He is active in our parish, has a beautiful family, and is transforming the world around him by encouraging Christian principles in his own place of work. Although being a business owner is clearly a stressful endeavour, he exudes joy and optimism whenever I speak with him."



Brian Doran

Brian Doran attends St. James Parish in Okotoks with his wife and seven children. He works as a family physician and founded the Arcatheos Boys' Camp.

PHIL MORIN

Which man of faith in the Diocese of Calgary inspires you in their vocation as husband and father?

Here is what Mike MacKinnon shared:



Phil Morin

"In the last couple of years, I got to know Phil Morin through the men's group – Repairers of the Breach – and through doing Exodus 90 together. I admire his high expectations for himself in all he does. He really does excel for excellence in a lot of things he does, and that's also in his faith life. He doesn't make excuses for himself. He sets a very high bar, and he pushes himself to excel in holiness. I'm not saying he's excellent in holiness, but he strives for it. I think a lot of men can be too easy on themselves, be complacent and make excuses about why they cannot pursue holiness and that's not Phil. He really challenges himself. The other thing with Phil I admire is he's super humble. I think humility is just an awesome thing as a father to teach your children. When someone is humble they understand their greatness is not themselves, it's a gift from God, and if God chose to remove that, they would not have that greatness. People who are in tune with their greatness don't give glory to themselves; they give glory to God. I see those things in Phil, and they challenge and inspire me."



Michael MacKinnon

Mike MacKinnon attends St. Bonaventure and St. Patrick's Parish in Calgary with his wife and four children. He works in the oil and gas industry. He sits on the national board for Catholic Christian Outreach and is the founder of Repairers of the Breach, a faith formation group for fathers with young children.

FRANK THOLENAER

Which man of faith in the Diocese of Calgary inspires you in their vocation as husband and father?

Joe Woodard shared:



† Frank Tholenaer

“My archetype father is Frank Tholenaer. He’s the guy who with his friend Gordon built the adoration chapel at St. Anthony’s Church. He was a big-burly, hard-working, blue-collar Catholic, but he loved to read – novels! – and hated TV. He was a sheet metal worker who eventually worked as a heating and ventilation foreman. He went to St. Mary’s High School in the 40s. He didn’t mind getting into the occasional fist fight. But later in life he developed a very solid, charitable faith. He was incredibly generous with his time and talented with things like home renovations. In one case he moved in and built us a bedroom in our basement. He raised five kids with his wife, Carol. They met when he was working on his car, and a bucket of gasoline caught fire, and he ended up badly burned, and Carol was the nurse in the emergency ward. They met when he was all puffy and red from this flash gasoline fire. They had a long life together, built a beautiful house in Haysborough and basically to every degree possible dedicated themselves to their parish – St. Anthony’s. He was just always available. Anything that needed doing, Frank was always there doing it, and he attended daily Mass whenever possible. (Frank died peacefully on September 26, 2008, at 3 p.m. at the age of 80).”



Joe Woodard

Joe Woodard is a husband, a father of 10 and a grandfather of four (so far). He attends Sacred Heart Parish in Calgary. He has worked as an academic, journalist, citizen judge, and most recently an adjunct philosophy professor at Newman Theological College (Edmonton) and Latin teacher at St. John’s Choir Schola (Calgary).

FR. CRISTINO BOUVETTE

Which man of faith in the Diocese of Calgary inspires you in their vocation as husband and father?

Michael Chiasson shared his father figure:



Fr. Cristino Bouvette at One Rock

“This question immediately made me think of my dad, his role and place in my life....However, because my dad recently passed away, I also look at those father figures around. Fr. Cristino Bouvette inspires me. One thing that I’m super thankful for is his heart of prayer, his heart of obedience and his heart of openness. Those three things challenge me as a father because I see him as a young priest that is super faithful, willing to risk for the vocation he’s been entrusted, and it immediately makes me look in the mirror and ask: Am I a man of prayer? Am I obedient to who I’m being called to love? Am I dying to myself? I see that in him so much, and it’s beautifully attractive but scary because – would I be willing to do that? The final part is openness. Something that might not even be his style, (music for example) he sees the heart and how God would use that even though it might not be his specific way.”



Michael Chiasson

Michael Chiasson attends St. Michael Catholic Community with his wife and two children. He is a motivational speaker and founder of Access52 based in Calgary.

Canada & the World

This section compiles the top four news of interest to the Catholic community.



Tyler Orsburn, Catholic News Service | grandinmedia.ca

Filipino boy, Darwin Ramos, on the road to sainthood

The Congregation for Saints' Causes gave the Diocese of Cubao, Philippines, the green light to look into the life of Darwin Ramos, died in 2012 at 17. "He is closely united with Christ in his suffering and joy."



Romania June 2, 2019. Credit: Vatican Media

Pope Francis: Be witnesses to freedom and mercy

Declaring their beatification Sunday in Romania, Pope Francis said seven martyred Greek-Catholic bishops gave their lives for fidelity to the Church and in defense of the right to freedom of religion.



David Marcu on Unsplash

What running taught the 'Iron Nun' about aging

"What does it feel like to get old?" As an 88-year-old religious sister, I was 30 years his senior and still quite active. While I do not remember my answer to him, it is a question I think about quite often.



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5,000 km on foot: thanks be to God

Camille and Guillemette walked for over 7 months, from Paris to Jerusalem, without a penny in their pockets. A pilgrimage in search of God, made up of encounters, the discovery of others and of self.

JULY 2019

Liturgical Calendar

2018-2019 Year - C Series I

(S) Solemnity, (F) Feast, (M) Memorial,
(M>OM) Memorial reduced to an Optional Memorial
(OM) Optional Memorial
(*) no assigned rank
Lect., Wkday, A/B: *Lectionary: Weekday, A (1993) or B (1994)*
Lect., S&S: *Lectionary: Sunday and Solemnities (2009)*
~ an event or collection ~

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30 13 th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Readings: no. 99, p. 693; BG, p. 387 1st Reading: 1 Kings 19:16b, 19-21 2nd Reading: Galatians 5:1, 13-18 Gospel: Luke 9:51-62	1 ferial Readings: no. 377, p. 1034 1st Reading: Genesis 18:16-33 Gospel: Matthew 8:18-22 OR: Canada Day	2 ferial Readings: no. 378, p. 1037 1st Reading: Genesis 19:15-29 Gospel: Matthew 8:23-27	3 ST. THOMAS (F) Readings: Lect. Wkday B, no. 593, p. 1799 1st Reading: Ephesians 2:19-22 Gospel: John 20:24-29	4 ferial Readings: no. 380, p. 1042 1st Reading: Genesis 22:1-19 Gospel: Matthew 9:1-8 OM: St. Elizabeth of Portugal	5 ferial Readings: no. 381, p. 1045 1st Reading: Genesis 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67 Gospel: Matthew 9:9-13 OM: St. Anthony Zaccaria	6 ferial Readings: no. 382, p. 1048 1st Reading: Genesis 27:1-5, 9-10, 15-29++ Gospel: Matthew 9:14-17 OM: St. Maria Goretti OM: Our Lady's Saturday
7 14 th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Readings: no. 102, p. 696; BG, p. 388 1st Reading: Isaiah 66:10-14 2nd Reading: Galatians 6:14-18 Gospel (longer): Luke 10:1-12, 17-20 or Gospel (shorter): Luke 10:1-9	8 ferial Readings: no. 383, p. 1051 1st Reading: Genesis 28:10-22a Gospel: Matthew 9:18-26 ~ <i>Canada Day</i> ~	9 ferial Readings: no. 384, p. 1053 1st Reading: Genesis 32:22-32 Gospel: Matthew 9:32-38 OM: St. Augustine Zhao Rong and Companions	10 ferial Readings: no. 385, p. 1056 1st Reading: Genesis 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24 Gospel: Matthew 10:1-7	11 ST. BENEDICT (M) Readings: no. 386, p. 1058, or no. 597, p. 1801 1st Reading: Genesis 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5 Gospel: Matthew 10:7-15	12 ferial Readings: no. 387, p. 1061 1st Reading: Genesis 46:1-7, 28-30 Gospel: Matthew 10:16-23	13 ferial Readings: no. 388, p. 1064 1st Reading: Genesis 49:29-31, 33; 50:15-26++ Gospel: Matthew 10:24-33 OM: St. Henry OM: Our Lady's Saturday
14 15 th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Readings: no. 105, p. 700; BG, p. 390 1st Reading: Deuteronomy 30:10-14 2nd Reading: Colossians 1:15-20 Gospel: Luke 10:25-37	15 ST. BONAVENTURE (M) Readings: no. 389, p. 1067, or no. 600, p. 1801 1st Reading: Song 1:8-14, 22 Gospel: Matthew 10:34 - 11:1	16 ferial Readings: no. 390, p. 1069 1st Reading: Exodus 2:1-15a Gospel: Matthew 11:20-24 OM: Our Lady of Mount Carmel	17 ferial Readings: no. 391, p. 1072 1st Reading: Exodus 3:1-6, 9-12 Gospel: Matthew 11:25-27	18 ferial Readings: no. 392, p. 1074 1st Reading: Exodus 3:13-20 Gospel: Matthew 11:28-30	19 ferial Readings: no. 393, p. 1077 1st Reading: Exodus 11:10 - 12:14 Gospel: Matthew 12:1-8	20 ferial Readings: no. 394, p. 1079 1st Reading: Exodus 12:37-42 Gospel: Matthew 12:14-21 OM: St. Apollinaris OM: Our Lady's Saturday
21 16 th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Readings: no. 108, p. 704; BG, p. 392 1st Reading: Genesis 18:1-10a 2nd Reading: Colossians 1:24-28 Gospel: Luke 10:38-42	22 ST. MARY MAGDALENE (F) Readings: no. 603, p. 1802 1st Reading: Song of Song 3:1-4a or 1st Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:14-17 Gospel: John 20:1, 11-18	23 ferial Readings: no. 396, p. 1084 1st Reading: Exodus 14:21 - 15:1, 20-21++ Gospel: Matthew 12:46, 48-50++ OM: St. Bridget	24 ferial Readings: no. 397, p. 1087 1st Reading: Exodus 16:1-5, 9-15 Gospel: Matthew 13:1-9 OM: St. Sharbel Makhluf	25 ST. JAMES (F) Readings: no. 605, p. 1805 1st Reading: 2 Corinthians 4:7-15 Gospel: Matthew 20:20-28	26 ST. ANNE and ST. JOACHIM (F) Readings: no. 606, p. 1807 1st Reading: Sirach 44:1, 8, 10-15 Gospel: Matthew 13:16-17	27 ferial Readings: no. 400, p. 1094 1st Reading: Exodus 24:3-8 Gospel: Matthew 13:24-30 OM: Our Lady's Saturday
28 17 th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Readings: no. 111, p. 707; BG, p. 393 1st Reading: Genesis 18:20-32 2nd Reading: Colossians 2:12-14 Gospel: Luke 11:1-13	29 ST. MARTHA (M) Readings: no. 401, p. 1094 (Gospel no. 607), or no. 607, p. 1809 1st Reading: Exodus 32:15-24, 30-34 Gospel (no. 742(28)), p. 2100: John 11, 17-21 OR Gospel (no. 742(20)), p. 2095): Luke 10:38-42	30 ferial Readings: no. 402, p. 1100 1st Reading: Exodus 33:7-11; 34:4b-9, 28 Gospel: Matthew 13:36-43 OM: St. Peter Chrysologus	31 ST. IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA (M) Readings: no. 403, p. 1103, or no. 609, p. 1809 1st Reading: Exodus 34:29-35 Gospel: Matthew 13:44-46	Lectionary: Weekdays references will change upon publication of the revised Lectionary for Weekdays. Given delays at the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments, as of June 2018, there is no estimated date for the publication of the revised Lectionary.		

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2018-2019 Year - C Series I

(S) Solemnity, (F) Feast, (M) Memorial, (M>OM) Memorial reduced to an Optional Memorial (OM) Optional Memorial
 (*) no assigned rank
 Lect., Wkday, A/B: *Lectionary, Weekday, A (1993) or B (1994)*
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 ~ an event or collection ~

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>4 18th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Readings: no. 114, p. 711; BG, p. 395 1st Reading: Ecclesiastes 1:2, 2:21-23 2nd Reading: Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11 Gospel: Luke 12:13-21</p>	<p>5 ferial Readings: no. 407, p. 1113 1st Reading: Numbers 11:4b-15 Gospel (Years B, C): Matthew 14:13-21 OM: Blessed Frédéric Janssoone OM: Dedication of St. Mary Major</p>	<p>6 THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD (F) Readings: Lect. Wkday B, no. 614, p. 1812 1st Reading: Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14 or 1st Reading: 2 Peter 1:16-19 Gospel (Year C): Luke 9:28-36</p>	<p>7 ferial Readings: no. 409, p. 1120 1st Reading: Numbers 13:1-2, 25-33; 14:1-2b, 26-29, 34-35+ Gospel: Matthew 15:21-28 OM: St. Sixtus II and Companions OM: St. Cajetan</p>	<p>1 ST. ALPHONSUS LIGUORI (M) Readings: no. 404, p. 1105, or no. 610, p. 1810 1st Reading: Exodus 40:16-21, 34-38 Gospel: Matthew 13:47-52</p>	<p>2 ferial Readings: no. 405, p. 1107 1st Reading: Leviticus 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37 Gospel: Matthew 13:54-58 OM: St. Eusebius of Vercelli OM: St. Peter Julian Eymard</p>	<p>3 ferial Readings: no. 406, p. 1110 1st Reading: Leviticus 25:1, 8-17 Gospel: Matthew 14:1-12 OM: Our Lady's Saturday</p>
<p>11 19th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Readings: no. 117, p. 714; BG, p. 396 1st Reading: Wisdom 18:6-9 2nd Reading (longer): Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19 or 2nd Reading (shorter): Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-12 Gospel (longer): Luke 12:32-48 or Gospel (shorter): Luke 12:35-40</p>	<p>12 ferial Readings: no. 413, p. 1131 1st Reading: Deuteronomy 10:12-22 Gospel: Matthew 17:22-27 OM: St. Jane Frances de Chantal</p>	<p>13 ferial Readings: no. 414, p. 1133 1st Reading: Deuteronomy 31:1-8 Gospel: Matthew 18:1-5, 10, 12-14 OM: St. Pontian and St. Hippolytus</p>	<p>14 ST. MAXIMILIAN MARY KOLBE (M) Readings: no. 415, p. 1135, or no. 620A, p. 1819 1st Reading: Deuteronomy 34:1-12 Gospel: Matthew 18:15-20 Vigil of the Assumption Readings: Lect. S&S, no. 621, p. 804</p>	<p>15 THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY (S) Readings: Lect. S&S, no. 622, p. 806 1st Reading: Revelation 11:19a, 12:1-6a, 10ab 2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:20-26 Gospel: Luke 1:39-56</p>	<p>9 ferial Readings: no. 411, p. 1126 1st Reading: Deuteronomy 4:32-40 Gospel: Matthew 16:24-28 OM: St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross</p>	<p>10 ST. LAWRENCE (F) Readings: Lect. Wkday B, no. 618, p. 1817 1st Reading: 2 Corinthians 9:6-10 Gospel: John 12:24-26</p>
<p>18 20th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Readings: no. 120, p. 718; BG, p. 398 1st Reading: Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10 2nd Reading: Hebrews 12:1-4 Gospel: Luke 12:49-53</p>	<p>19 ferial Readings: no. 419, p. 1147 1st Reading: Judges 2:11-19 Gospel: Matthew 19:16-22 OM: St. John Euades</p>	<p>20 ST. BERNARD (M) Readings: no. 420, p. 1149, or no. 625, p. 1825 1st Reading: Judges 6:11-24a Gospel: Matthew 19:23-30</p>	<p>21 ST. PIUS X (M) Readings: no. 421, p. 1152, or no. 626, p. 1825 1st Reading: Judges 9:6-15 Gospel: Matthew 20:1-16a</p>	<p>22 THE QUEENSHIP OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY (M) Readings: no. 422, p. 1155, or no. 627, p. 1825 1st Reading: Judges 11:29-39a Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14</p>	<p>16 ferial Readings: no. 417, p. 1141 1st Reading: Joshua 24:1-13 Gospel: Matthew 19:3-12 OM: St. Stephen of Hungary</p>	<p>17 ferial Readings: no. 418, p. 1144 1st Reading: Joshua 24:14-29 Gospel: Matthew 19:13-15 OM: Our Lady's Saturday</p>
<p>25 21st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Readings: no. 123, p. 721; BG, p. 399 1st Reading: Isaiah 66:18-21 2nd Reading: Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13 Gospel: Luke 13:22-30</p>	<p>26 ferial Readings: no. 425, p. 1164 1st Reading: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5, 8b-10 Gospel: Matthew 23:13-22</p>	<p>27 ST. MONICA (M) Readings: no. 426, p. 1166, or no. 632, p. 1828 1st Reading: 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8 Gospel: Matthew 23:23-26</p>	<p>28 ST. AUGUSTINE (M) Readings: no. 427, p. 1168, or no. 633, p. 1828 1st Reading: 1 Thessalonians 2:9-13 Gospel: Matthew 23:27-32</p>	<p>29 THE PASSION OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST (M) Readings: Lect. Wkday B, no. 634, p. 1828 1st Reading: Jeremiah 1:17-19 Gospel: Mark 6:17-29</p>	<p>23 ferial Readings: no. 423, p. 1158 1st Reading: Ruth 1:1-2ab, 3-6, 14b-16, 22+ Gospel: Matthew 22:34-40 OM: St. Rose of Lima</p>	<p>24 ST. BARTHOLOMEW (F) Readings: no. 629, p. 1826 1st Reading: Revelation 21:9b-14 Gospel: John 1:45-51</p>
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