

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time – August 25, 2019

Saturday, Aug. 24	5:00 pm	St. Carthagh's	Evelyn LaVallée
Sunday, Aug. 25 (21 st Sunday in Ordinary Time)	9:00 am 11:00 am	St. Edmund's St. Carthagh's	Members of the Parish Edwin Champagne
Monday, Aug. 26	9:00 am	St. Carthagh's	Evelyn LaVallée
Tuesday, Aug. 27	9:00 am	St. Carthagh's	No Intention
Wednesday, Aug. 28	9:00 am	St. Carthagh's	No Intention
Thursday, Aug. 29	6:30 pm	St. Edmund's	No Intention
Friday, Aug. 30	9:00 am	St. Carthagh's	No Intention
Saturday, Aug. 31	5:00 pm	St. Carthagh's	Evelyn LaVallée
Sunday, Sept. 1 (22 nd Sunday in Ordinary Time)	9:00 am 11:00 am	St. Edmund's St. Carthagh's	Members of the Parish Patricia Mulroney

Please Remember in Your Prayers: All those who are sick, including: F. Boomhour, Paul Hulsman, Neive Alderson, Norene Ruffilli, Amanda Lake, Ginger Kehoe, Margaret Dupuis-Ives, Sharon Butler, Leonard Kehoe, Terry Horrigan, Elinor McKenzie, Catherine Ligon, Debbie LaCroix, Presley Noble, Rob Montgomery, Germaine Wannamaker, Margaret-Rose Wood, Jack Tweedy, Janice Tracey, Michelle Fobert, and Joan Cassidy.

Please let us know at the office if you would like to add to or remove a name from the list of the sick.

Offertory Collections:

St. Carthagh's	August 17 & 18	Regular Sunday	\$997
St. Edmund's	August 18	Regular Sunday	\$1,024

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS OFFERING TO OUR CHURCHES

	<u>LECTORS</u>	<u>EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION</u>	<u>CHILDREN'S LITURGY</u>
St. Carthagh's	W = WELCOME		
Saturday, Aug. 31	W – Karen LaVallée Sheila Toner	Arthur Allore, Maria Cockburn, Sheila Scott	
Sunday, Sept. 1	W – Dan Dafoe Olivia Dafoe	Bob & Sharon Eros, Carol Badluk, Lori Robinson	No Children's Liturgy during July & August
St. Edmund's	<u>LECTORS</u>	<u>USHERS</u>	
Sunday, Sept. 1	Cecilia Maines Patti Marlin	Vince Cassidy Jerry Cassidy	

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Bible Study will resume on **Tuesday, September 10** from 3:00 to 4:00 pm.

On September 4, 2019, the priests have an all-day working session in Kingston beginning at 8:00 am. The usual morning Mass will be cancelled for that day.

Separated/Divorced/Bereaved? Consider participating in the annual retreat for those experiencing LOSS through separation/divorce or death of a loved one. The 'Grief Journey Retreat: A Safe Caring and Nurturing Time' is designed to provide insight, hope and support as you journey to transform your grief. Facilitator is Anna Racine, from Mount Carmel Spiritual Centre, Niagara Falls. Time and Place is Friday evening/Saturday, **October 25 – 26**, 2019 at Providence Spirituality Centre, 1200 Princess St. Kingston. For further info and/or to register, contact Sr. Lucy Kearney, Family Ministry Office, 613-548-4461 ext.113 or e-mail: family@romancatholic.kingston.on.ca.

Pilgrimage to mark the 400th Anniversary of the Birth of Saint Marguerite Bourgeoys: **September 24-25**. Shrine of Saint Marguerite Bourgeoys – Historic Farm established by Marguerite Bourgeoys, and to the Shrine of Saint Kateri Tekakwitha. Chaplain: Father John Hibbard. Foley Bus Lines; Accommodation: Holiday Inn. For more information and to register, contact Sheila Alexander at sia412@gmail.com or at 613-962-1623.

In the Gospel of this weekend, Jesus is on a journey “through one town and village after another, teaching as he made his way to Jerusalem.” A journey always implies a destination. Jerusalem is Jesus’ destination. The Evangelist Luke rarely tells us about the places through which Jesus passes. He only mentions the beginning of the journey in Lk 9:51, the middle of the journey in Lk 17:11 and of course, the end of the journey in Lk 18:35; 19:1. In this way, Luke describes the momentum and progression of Jesus’ journey, his clarity of focus, and his resolve and determination to get to the end.

What life lesson does Luke want to teach us? Most likely, he is suggesting to us that the objective of our life should be clear, and we should decidedly assume it like Jesus did. Nobody ever knows tomorrow. So as we set out on the journey of life, the places, situations, circumstances we go through are not always clear and definitive. However, what is certain is our ultimate objective, namely, Jerusalem our happy home! This is what Jesus considers most important and therefore commands us to “strive to enter through the narrow door.” The narrow character of the door of salvation calls for self-control and self-discipline on our part: “Therefore lift your drooping hands and strengthen your weak knees, and make straight paths for your feet, so that what is lame may not be put out of joint, but rather be healed.”

The icing on the cake is God’s vision for the world as the prophet Isaiah envisions. God’s plan is to gather all nations and tongues together to see his glory. So, will only a few be saved? By no means! To Timothy, St. Paul wrote: “God desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth” (1Tim 2:4). It is for this reason that God sent Jesus Christ his only begotten Son, “that whoever believes in him should not perish but have everlasting life” (Jn. 3:16). If you truly believe, why not thank God for the gift of your personal Savior, Jesus Christ!

The Parish Website Committee held its first meeting on Tuesday, August 20. It was edifying to learn that Arthur Allore has already accomplished much, thus giving a significant shape to the website. We are thankful to him for the sacrifice of his time, knowledge and skills. The suggested domain name for the website is www.carthagedmund.org. Several suggestions were made. Some require a bit of researching, writing and editing. We still need about one month of hard and coordinated work before we can launch the website. We are looking at October 2019 as a tentative target date to take off. One of the suggestions made was to have a Mission statement. Please, find here one I have written:

MISSION STATEMENT

We, the parishioners of St. Carthagh’s and St. Edmund’s parishes, have historical and cultural differences. Yet, we hold firmly that God is gracious, and we all come from Him. With grateful hearts for God’s grace of one faith, one baptism, one hope and one Lord Jesus Christ, the Good News of God’s unconditional love for each and all, we stand together, united, as the community of God’s people in this part of the Archdiocese of Kingston. Conscious of our equality in God’s eyes and His personal love for us; and imbued with the evangelical zeal of our patrons and Mary, the Mother of the Church, we, in turn, aim to reflect God’s goodness in our community and in our dealings with others. Above all, guided by the Spirit and assisted by prayer and the Sacraments, we strive to deepen our personal relationship with Christ Jesus so as to effectively share him with others.

Suggestions for improvement are always welcome. The number to contact is 613-478-2000.

Duc In Altum 2019-20 Info Night

Calling all young adults in their 20’s & 30’s! We invite you to attend an **info night** about an awesome opportunity in our archdiocese for young adults: “**Duc In Altum**” (Latin for “Put Out Into the Deep”). This experience consists of an opening & closing retreat weekend away and 6 Saturday sessions once a month throughout the year. We invite you to journey with other Catholic young adults in faith and fun! Join us for our info night on **Tuesday, September 17th at 7pm** at the Diocesan Centre (390 Palace Road, Kingston). For more info contact Nadia Gundert at youth@romancatholic.kingston.on.ca or call 613-484-2446.

Tweed Community Dinner: All are welcome to join us on **Thurs., Sept. 19**, 5 – 6 pm at the White Building. This is a ‘pay what you can’ dinner, with this month’s receipts going to pay for next month’s dinner. September’s main course is pulled pork on a bun. Reserve your place by calling Lynda at [613-478-3181](tel:613-478-3181), leaving your name, phone #, and the number attending. Cut-off date for **reservations is Sept. 12**. These dinners are sponsored by the Tweed Area Churches and THAS.