

August 17 - August 31, 2025 TWENTIETH TO TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY TO IN ORDINARY TIME

DIVINE INFANT PARISH

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INTENTIONS FOR AUGUST 16 ~ 31, 2025

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday, August 16

5:00pm†Patricia Featherstone by John Harder & family

Sunday, August 17

8:00am-Intentions of the Brammall family by Lori McCraw

9:30am†Joseph & Gertrude Lannin by Dale McCartney

†Manuel Malicsi (2nd anniv) by Imelda

†Natalia Faria by Tony & Fatima Duarte

†Rudy Lubin (1st anniv) by his wife

†Ann Marie Costello by Audrey & Tom Harps

11:15am-For all Divine Infant parishioners

5:00pm†Shirley & Tat Ng by Elaine Armstrong

Monday, August 18

7:00pm-Intentions of Paul Nwaeze on his 31st anniversary of priestly ordination by Mary Michel

Tuesday, August 19

7:00pm†Beatrice Brazeau by Anna

Wednesday, August 20 St. Bernard, Abbot

9:00am†Intentions of Paul Nwaeze on his 31st anniversary of priestly ordination by Nadia Lake

9:30am-Holy Hour with Benediction

7:00pm- The Presence, monthly Adoration with Benediction

Thursday, August 21 St. Pius X, Pope

9:00am†Claire Naud (1st anniv) by Monique Sutherland

Friday, August 22 The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

9:00am-Intentions of Deacon Jim & Merlie Schultz

-Intentions of Susan Atkinson by Mary Michel

-Intentions of Lucrecia & Abel & Simon Ferreira

-Intentions of Fr. Michael El-Nachef by Monique Sutherland

-Intentions of Anik for her birthday by Mariette Ledo

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday, August 23

5:00pm-Intentions of Lindsay LeBlanc

Sunday, August 24

8:00am†Edwin & Desmond Lake by Nadia Lake

†Maria & Antonio Correia by the Correia family

†Stanislav and Marie Vychytil

†Mrs. Mary Licari by Jacques & Debbie Drury

†Alexander Smyth by Joan Bisonette

9:30am†Rosa & Ben Ho by the Ho family

11:15am†Isabel Rada by Pureza Rada & family

†Abilo Mello by Frank & Edith Da Costa & family

†Cliff Trowell by his wife Perpetua

-Intentions of Pierre & Francilia Poirier on their 40th wedding anniversary

-Intentions of Marcelle & Edward on their 40th wedding Anniversary

5:00pm-For all Divine Infant parishioners

TWENTY-FIRST WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME (continued)

Monday, August 25

7:00pm†Cecile Soucy by Joan Legris

Tuesday, August 26

7:00pm†Olivia Neveah Kempt by James Lennon

Wednesday, August 27 St. Monica

9:00am-Intentions of John Andrades for his healing by Wilma DaCosta

9:30am-Holy Hour with Benediction

Thursday, August 28 St. Augustine, Bishop

9:00am†Philip Deblois

Friday, August 29 The Passion of St. John the Baptist

9:00am†Helen & Joseph Charron

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday, August 30

5:00pm-Intentions of Barb & Guy Savard by Diane & Charles Curran

Sunday, August 31

8:00am-For all Divine Infant parishioners

9:30am†Maria Aguiar by Maria Fatima & Tony

11:15am†Grazyna Siok by Stan Siok

5:00pm†Irene Russell (Tyshkewich) by Dale & Bev Ptycia & family

†Ann Marie & Vince Costello by their daughter

†Migeal by Divine Infant Clergy & staff

-Intentions of Sunil Madan by Paul & Pat Bourke

-Intentions of Emanuel Matsonicas by Deacon Moran McMahon

CONFESSIONS: Saturday and Sunday (4:15 - 4:45pm),
Weekdays (1/2 hr before Mass), Or by appt.

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Please pray for our brothers and sisters who are sick...Lesley Brothers, Abigail Scott, Sherry McMahon, Irene SCHNARE, Jean-Luc St-Amour, Ron McGEE, Tye PAEZER, Jean EAGLES, Lillian LANE, Olivia TRAFICANTI, Carolyn SPADONI, Nkem NWAINE, Johnny FERGUSON, Bill GRIMSHAW, Gilles, Hudson Guy BOIVIN, Bruno ROMANO, Vera QUINN, Rachel McGEE, Paula FLETCHER, Sarah WARD, Jeff TOOLE, Ali HEERINGA, Brandon PEEL, Ron REYNOLDS, Danielle TOURANGEAU, Stephen HOLT, Lissa ROBINSON, Johanna BUCHANAN, Blake BURDIS, Frances CHICOT, Nancy ROBINSON, Casey LALONDE, Linda POTVIN, Bertha FONSEKA, Jurica BALEN, Lucas, Frank DaCOSTA, Emily CORCORAN, Marie-Madeline BEASON, Ida CARBONI, Jody KISH, Ethan LAVICTOIRE, Gianni BALESTRA, Fiorello QUARIN, Derek PERABO, Joan HURRY, Elizabeth TOBIN, Zikora OHANYERE, Rene TROTTIER, Les MISE, Elliott RODRIGUE, Yolande, Anne ESSIAMBRE, Kelly TREPANIER, Karen PRITCHARD, the Residents of the Promenade, Queenswood Villa, Forest Valley Terrace and Symphonie Senior Living and those whose names are entered in our Book of the Sick.

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

We, the people of Divine Infant Parish, are called through Baptism to celebrate the presence of Jesus Christ in Word and Sacrament. In the

- *Shaping our lives in the image of Christ through worship and prayer.*
- *Contributing to the growth of our parish by being faithful stewards of the Gospel by word, witness, action and evangelization.*
- *Lending support to the parish leadership and working together to fulfill the mission.*

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MINISTRY FAIR ~ SEPTEMBER 20 & 21

~ DEAR BEAUTIFUL PEOPLE ~

DO YOU NOT KNOW THAT YOU ARE
CHILDREN OF THE LIGHT?

JESUS TELLS US NOT TO HIDE OUR
LIGHT UNDER A BUSHEL.
WHERE ARE YOU CALLED, BY OUR LOVING JESUS, TO PUT
YOUR LIGHT STAND?

COME & DISCOVER OPPORTUNITIES
AT OUR MINISTRY FAIR ON SATURDAY & SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20 & 21
IN THE CHURCH HALL AFTER ALL MASSES.

"Put out into the deep..."



Luke 5:4.

"Blessing of coming to
Mass"

"For God's mercy"

"For the love of my family
and friends"

"What blessings did you catch today?"

Print your blessing on one of the fish in the foyer
and toss it into the net.



ANNUAL SILENT RETREAT

Sponsored by the Legion of Mary

Fri, Sept 19th at 7:30pm

&

Sun, Sept 21st at 1:00pm

**Centre de l'Amour Retreat
House**

Theme - The Blessed Virgin
Mary: Hope for our World

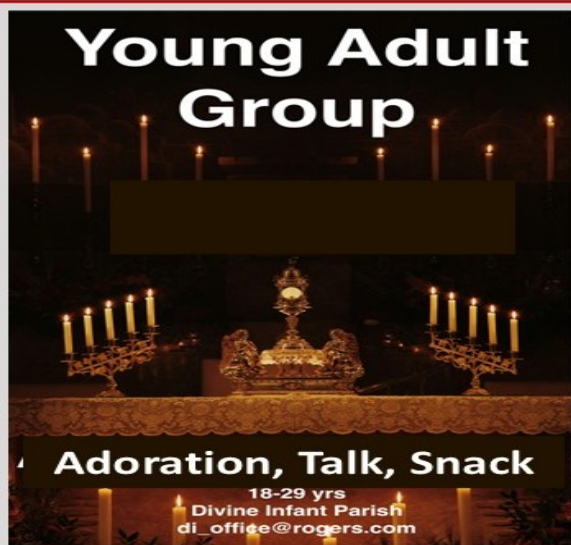
For information:
legionofmaryregia@gmail.com



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Friday, August 29th – 7 p.m.

Young Adult Group



Adoration, Talk, Snack

18-29 yrs
Divine Infant Parish
di_office@rogers.com

Young Adults 18-29 yrs

- Silent Adoration

- Talk + Q&A

- Snack

Topic:

**«Blessed Carlo Acutis and
his five Spiritual Practices»**

DIVINE INFANT YOUTH MINISTRY

Exciting News: Combined Junior and Senior Youth Ministry at Divine Infant Parish!

Aligned with the mission of the Divine Infant Parish, we are thrilled to announce the formation of our **combined Junior and Senior Youth Ministry**. Our **Vision** is simple yet powerful:

**"Empowering the next generation to boldly follow Christ,
grow in faith, and transform their community with love and purpose."**

This is a wonderful opportunity for youth to unite in faith, deepen their relationship with Christ, and make a meaningful impact in both their lives and the community.

We are also deeply blessed to have **Fr. Martin Okwudiba** as our Spiritual Director. Please join us in welcoming Fr. Martin as a guide and leader in this exciting journey of faith and growth!

Why Combine the Junior and Senior Youth Ministries?

By bringing the two groups together, we create a stronger, more vibrant community. This change will enable:

- **Shared experiences:** Youth of all ages can learn from one another, fostering mentorship and friendship across grades.
- **Increased involvement in parish life:** Our combined ministry will have greater opportunities to participate in liturgical events, parish fundraisers, community service projects, and more.
- **Enhanced spiritual growth:** With a larger group, we can offer a richer diversity of experiences, deepening our faith through shared prayer, discussions, and activities.
- **A more cohesive youth community:** Unity fosters a stronger bond, where everyone—no matter their age—can contribute to the mission of the parish.

We're Now Accepting Registrations!

Junior Youths: Grades 5 to 8

Senior Youths: Grades 9 to 12

Volunteers: Adults who are passionate about guiding and supporting the youth

How to Register:

- **By Email:** Youth@DivineInfantParish.ca
- **In-Person:** Visit our table at the **Ministry Fair** on the weekend of **September 20 and 21** after all Masses. We'll be available to answer any questions and assist you with registration
- **Via WhatsApp:** Text us at **613-413-4347**

FRIDAYS STARTING OCTOBER 3 AT 7:00 PM

More details will be shared with registered participants via email and in the Parish Bulletin. Specific timing and information will be communicated soon.

Hey Youth - Save the Date!

Get ready to kick-off an amazing year!

Our **first official Welcome Session** is happening on **Friday, October 3, 2025** – and you won't want to miss it!



Meet new friends



Ignite your faith



Fun, food, music & more!

Whether you're in Grade 5 or Grade 12 or any grade in between, this is your time to **connect, grow, and be part of something bigger**.

Mark your calendars now – it all starts here!

We look forward to welcoming you to a **year of community, service, and growth in our Faith**. Together, we can strengthen our parish, share God's love, and transform our world, one step at a time.

God Bless!

Fiona Scerri Diacono - DI Youth Ministry Coordinator & Fr. Martin Okwudiba - Spiritual Director

DIVINE INFANT PARISH

Ministries of Interest



COUNTERS

We are looking for more adult volunteers to join the Sunday collection team. Devote two hours of your time, once a month, under the supervision of a team captain. For more information, please contact **Ray Ouimet 613-837-8502**.

ADULT CHOIR

Come join the Divine Infant choir! Sing beautiful, sacred music in a supportive, welcoming community. We are especially seeking additional male voices. No audition or experience necessary. For more information please email James and Jenny DeGurse at divineinfantchoir@gmail.com



BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY

The Bereavement Ministry offers confidential, comforting, enlightening services from coping strategies to social events as well as just a listening ear. Need to talk? Want to cry? Lonely? Just out of sorts? Even angry? Overwhelmed.....by special events like Christmas? There are coping strategies to help get you through the season of Christmas and grieving. You are not alone. We provide individual sessions (in person or telephone) as well as a 10 week group sessions in the fall and winter. Those joining come in as strangers and become good friends, socializing at our monthly dinners and/or weekly gatherings for coffee and other events. We remember and honour our loved ones during the All Souls Day liturgy with candles, and by participating in the Memorial Bereavement Stone Garden Liturgy and placing a stone in the garden in their memory. The receptions that follow provide good food and a sense of community/camaraderie. For more information, call **Diane at (613) 610-0980** or email at djem3380@gmail.com.



BIBLE STUDY

Is reading the Bible on your spiritual bucket list? The Agape Bible Study Group will be studying the History of Salvation this Fall. *"Beginning with the opening chapters of the book of Genesis and continuing to the book of Revelation, God the Father reveals His plan of salvation and His loving desire to re-establish the broken relationship between Himself and man."* This study is not on DVD. Interested? Then contact me, **Lucille Surette** at lsurette81@gmail.com or 613-797-1959



THE CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE OF CANADA (CWL)

Are you looking to grow in your own **Faith**? Do you want to **Serve** others? Do you want to stand up for **Social Justice**? Then **Catholic Women's League of Canada** is the place for you. We meet the fourth Tuesday of the month in the parish hall after the 7PM mass. Your love, help and ideas are needed in the future of the sisterhood. For information, please contact cwlcommunicationsofficer@gmail.com

HOUSE BLESSINGS

Our Deacons are available to visit your home to bless it, typically on an evening or weekend. The people who live there must be present. Call or email the office to request a date.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Call for New Leader & Volunteers

The Children's Liturgy helps young children engage with the Liturgy of the Word in an age-appropriate way. We are currently looking for a new coordinator and additional volunteers to continue the program this year. If you are interested or would like to learn more, please contact the parish office.



DIVINE MERCY CENACLE

The Divine Mercy Cenacle is a weekly program of prayer, study and discussion of Scripture, the catechism and the Diary of St. Faustina. The Cenacle provides an opportunity for members to grow in their faith, develop a deeper understanding of the sacraments and apply the teachings in their daily lives by actually living the message of Divine Mercy. The Cenacle, in itself, has become an increasingly important Ministry at Divine Infant. In addition, some members have become inspired to play an active role in other parish ministries.

There are 2 Cenacle sessions held every Monday, at 1:00 pm in the memorial room, and following the 7:00pm Mass. Each session lasts 1.5 hours. They take place all year long due to popular demand. For more information, please contact:

Stan Siok at 841-1637 &

David Langedock at divineinfantcenacle@gmail.com



LECTOR MINISTRY

The Lectors ministry is made up of lay persons who read the Word of God at Mass. Those who have the privilege and honour of being a lector are thankful for having the opportunity to do so.

The lector team's membership is constantly changing as people move in and out of the Parish. As a result, the ministry is always looking for dedicated new members who wish to give of their talents to the Parish as a whole. So, please do join us! For more details please contact Sunita Gomes

gomes.sunita@gmail.com or 343.573.2223.



LEGION OF MARY

If you wish to increase your personal holiness through the imitation of the virtues of Mary, become a member of the Legion of Mary. Active members (both men and women) meet every Thursday following the morning Mass. The rosary, legion prayers, and spiritual readings are recited.

Each legionary is required to carry out a weekly apostolic work in the spirit of faith and in union with Mary. Under the direction of the parish priest and spiritual director, they participate in the life of the parish through the visitation of families, and the sick, both at nursing homes and hospitals. For more information, please contact **Mildred Walker at (613) 830-2796**.



Prayer Shawl Ministry

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Do you know of someone who would find physical, emotional or spiritual comfort from a handcrafted prayer shawl or lap blanket? Divine Infant parishioners pray for the recipient as they knit or crochet and the shawls are blessed before being gifted. The shawl brings physical warmth and serves to remind the recipient that they are being prayed for.

Please contact the parish office at di_office@rogers.com or (613) 824-6822 to request a shawl or to join this ministry.

DIVINE INFANT PARISH

Ministries of Interest

MOM'S MORNING OUT

Are you a mom to a little one (s) and looking for a break from the day to day routine; possibly a little something more? Then we are the group for you! At Mom's Morning Out we take the time to go a little deeper. Deeper in our friendships, deeper in our learning and deeper in our call to faith; all while letting our children run and play. We meet every Tuesday from 10:00am until noon in the parish hall from September until the end of June. We are currently having a blast exploring all the wonderful splash pads around Orleans. If you have been sitting on the fence about meeting up with us, just take the leap, you'll be so glad you did! The first meeting in September is yet to be determined. For more information, please contact **Michelle Gallagher at (613) 857-2245**.

We even have a Facebook group: **Divine Infant Friends - Mom's Morning Out**



LIBRARY

Divine Infant Parish library boasts a large collection of spiritual books, CDs and DVDs in the foyer of the church. There are biographies, books for children and young adults, books on prayer, Mary and Jesus, Papal documents, and much more.

You are invited to view our Library Catalog online at divineinfant.on.ca for a list of books by subject, author or title, or find a list of some of the audio CDs and DVDs. Parishioners can browse book shelves each weekend following Mass or email request to pick up the following weekend.

We asked that borrowed and items books are signed out and kindly returned into the drop box placed near the library desk in the foyer.

Reserved items may be picked up from the parish office during regular office hours on **Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday from 9AM to 12:00 NOON or 1PM - 4PM**.

For more information, drop by the library desk or email dilibraryservices@gmail.com or contact the Parish Librarian NinaRegimbald@rogers.com (613-830-7482).



RELIGIOUS ARTICLES

The religious article ministry needs volunteers. If you are interested, please contact Monique or Mary. Our ministry has sales 3 times per year. Needed are volunteers for these sales. Parishioners can continue to contact **Monique Sutherland (613-824-3365) or Mary Michel (613-841-1867)** for items in the display case that they want to purchase.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS (RCIA)

RCIA weekly sessions for 2025/2026 will start on **Wednesday, September 10 at 7:00 PM** in the parish hall. If you know someone who wants to be baptized or received into full communion with the Catholic Church from other Christian communities, or is a baptized Catholic who has not received the other Sacraments of Initiation (Reconciliation, Confirmation, Eucharist), please encourage him or her to contact **Deacon Jeff at 613- 834-5039** for more information. RCIA sessions are free as are reading materials .

APOSTOLATE SPIRITUAL DIRECTION

Do you feel a call from God to deepen your love relationship with Him? Pray about an opportunity to dive into the spiritual exercises of St. Ignatius of Loyola with a prayer partner. Contact Joyce Rogers at joycemaryrogers@icloud.com



PASTORAL CARE MINISTRY

Pastoral Care is a ministry of outreach to those among us who find themselves housebound, either over the short or long term (due to illness, frailty, a weak immune system, reduced mobility, limited transportation, or receiving palliative care) and who wish to receive spiritual nourishment on a regular basis through the reception of the Holy Eucharist, the shared Word of God and/or prayer. Team members hope to bring our parish community's spirit of care and loving concern to those we serve, whether in their homes or in Seniors Residences. Home Visits most often include bringing the Holy Eucharist to the housebound, while visits to Seniors Residences might include leading a group rosary. All visits are done in pairs at mutually convenient times for both the client and the volunteers and are scheduled on a weekly, biweekly or monthly basis depending on the expressed preference/need of our clients. If you are a good listener, have a faith-filled desire to bring God's loving, caring Presence to those you serve, and are able to devote as little as an hour or two weekly/bi-weekly/monthly to this rewarding ministry, we would encourage you to consider becoming part of the Pastoral Care team. For more information, please contact us at: DI.PastoralCare@gmail.com



THE PRESENCE: MONTHLY ADORATION

THE PRESENCE is a monthly Adoration event with a reflection, worship music, Eucharistic Adoration and Confession available. ALL are welcome!

Wednesday, August 20, 2025 from 7-8pm

SACRAMENTS

Infant Baptisms Please call the parish office to set up a meeting with one of our priests to begin the process for baptisms.

Marriage Preparation

Deacon Mike and Josiane Seguin 613-824-6822 ext 221
At least six months notice required. No date can be set until a meeting with the couple has taken place.

Adult Sacramental Preparation (RCIA)

Deacon Jeff Le Bane 613-834-5039
Deacon Jim Schultz 613-845-0027
Deacon Phil Richards 613-301-6824

For adults seeking baptism or full communion with the Roman Catholic Church or adult Catholics seeking Confirmation. Meetings are weekly on Wednesday nights. We are always open to new inquiries.

School Age Sacramental Preparation

Nathalie Desjardins 613-824-6822 x229
For ALL (both Catholic school and public school) baptized Catholic children. The parish registration for reception of the Sacraments of First Communion (grade 2) and Confirmation (grade 6 +) will begin in the fall.
(<http://www.divineinfant.on.ca/>).

Anointing of the Sick

Are you or someone you know in need of this sacrament of healing? Anyone who has been diagnosed with a severe illness, is going for surgery or has reached old age is eligible to receive this sacrament. Please call the parish office or speak to a priest.

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