

MASS SCHEDULE - Sacred Heart

Sat, Aug 29	Vigil of 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
SH 5:30 PM	For all Parishioners.
Sun, Aug 30	22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time.
SH 9:00AM	+Anita Whitney from Dolly Bolger.
12:00PM Latin	Intention of Tom and Siobhan Mockler
Mon, Aug 31	Mass at St. John the B. 8:00 AM
Tues, Sep 1	Ferial Weekday
SH 8:00AM	Intention of Aaron, Theresa and family from Bernard and Frances Ironside.
Wed, Sep 2	Mass at St. John the B. 8:00 AM
Thu, Sep 3	St. Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor
SH 8:00AM	+William Duffus from Family
Fri, Sep 4	Blessed Dina Belanger, Virgin
SH 8:00AM	+John Buckley from Bernard and Frances Ironside
SH 6:00PM	First Friday Mass.
Sat, Sep 5	First Saturday Mass.
SH 8:30AM	
Sat, Sep 5	Vigil of 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:30 PM	For all Parishioners.
Sun, Sep 6	23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
SH 9:00AM	Zdravko Bilic from Lac Family.
12:00PM Latin	Intention of Dan and Catherine Connell on their 35 th wedding anniversary from Mason family.

Weekend of August 16 th		
Mass	Attendance	Contributions
5:30pm Sat & 9:00am Sunday	25 104	\$ -
12pm Sun(Latin) Aug 16	120	\$ 806.75
Online donations:		\$ 224.00
Total	249	\$ 1030.75
Fuel and maintenance \$100		

PASTOR’S MESSAGE

Dear Parishioners,
Today’s Gospel is a continuation of the passage we heard last weekend. There are three parts: 1- Peter confesses that Jesus is the Messiah. 2- Peter rejects the mission of the Messiah. 3- Jesus’ teaching. At first, there is a parallel between Peter’s confession and Peter’s rejection. 1- The confession of Peter we can divided in: a) Peter confesses: *“You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God”* b) Jesus blesses Peter *“Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah.* c) Jesus gives the reason *“For flesh and blood has not*

revealed this to you, but my heavenly Father. Flesh and blood: a Semitic expression for human beings, especially in their weakness. d) Jesus gives him a new name: *“And so I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church”* 2- The rejection of Peter has its parallel: a) Peter rejects the mission of the Messiah *“Then Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, ‘God forbid, Lord! No such thing shall ever happen to you.’”* b) and d) Jesus rebukes Peter and calls him with the worst name *“He turned and said to Peter, ‘Get behind me, Satan! You are an obstacle to me.* c) Jesus gives the reason *You are thinking not as God does, but as human beings do.”* human beings instead of flesh and blood. There is something important to notice: even though Jesus severely rebukes Peter, He does not take away what He had given him. Peter is still the rock upon which Christ will build His Church. His weakness and misunderstanding do not cancel the mission and authority that Christ has given him. The final and third point is Jesus’ teaching. After Peter’s confession, the Gospel says: *“From that time on, Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer greatly... and be killed and on the third day be raised.”* Why does Jesus immediately speak about His suffering and death after revealing that He is the Messiah? Because this is the nature of His mission. There are two reasons: first, it is the will of the Father; and second, the prophecies of Scripture pointed toward it. But there is also something Jesus wants to teach His disciples: suffering comes before glory. The Cross comes before the Resurrection. Peter wants the glory without the suffering. And, many times, we may be like Peter. We confess Jesus to be our Lord and Savior. We love Him. We want to follow Him. But then, at a certain point, Jesus shows us the way - and it is not always the way we want. We like Jesus, but we do not always like His Cross. We want heaven, but we do not want the cross that leads us there. And Jesus tells us: *“Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me.”* So let us ask our Blessed Mother to obtain for us the grace to say with Saint Paul: *“May I never boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ.”*
Fr. Gaston Giacinti, IVE.

WEEKLY NEWS

Friday Adoration at Sacred Heart

Every Friday there is adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at Sacred Heart in reparation for the offences made to the Sacred Heart of Jesus from 1:00 to 6:00PM and confessions from 4:30 to 6:00PM.



Rosary Group

Please join the Rosary group which meets every Thursday at 1:00 to pray the rosary for the needs of the Universal Church.

Sacramental Preparation 2026–2027

The online pre-registration form for Sacramental Preparation is now available on our website! Classes begin in October.

First Reconciliation & First Communion: Saturdays

Confirmation: Thursdays

Visit <https://forms.gle/ksmtC5ymu7oHYF4h9>

St John the Baptist Bible Study Group

This Fall, St John the Baptist Bible Study Group will be starting a new Journey- an in-depth Study on the Most Holy Eucharist ‘The Source & Summit of the Christian life’. Classes will be every other Thursday from 7 pm – 8 pm. For more details contact Daniel Rozario @ 647 928 6414 / email- DanielRozario@live.com

DIOCESAN & OTHER NEWS

Ordination to the Transitional Diaconate

It is with great joy that we announce that Mr. Andrew Roelands will be ordained to the transitional diaconate on Friday, October 23rd, 2026, at 7:00 PM at the Cathedral of St. Peter-in-Chains! This is a major step towards Andrew’s future priestly ordination. Please keep Andrew in your prayers as the day approaches. All are welcome! Light reception to follow.

Still Considering Your School Options for September?

It’s not too late to explore Wayside Academy! Located in north Peterborough, Wayside offers private classical Catholic education for students

from Kindergarten through Grade 12, with small class sizes, strong academics, and a school culture rooted in the Catholic faith.Wayside is currently accepting applications for the 2026–27 school year, with limited space available in select grades. Families interested in learning more are invited to request a private tour and come see Wayside for themselves. Request a private tour at olwayside.ca/admissions2026

Douro Doings Labour Day September 7

Annual Douro event with lots of activities. Please see the bulletin board for details.

Retreats---Villa St. Joseph Cobourg

Retreats September through to December 2026 please see bulletin board for details.

GOSPEL Matthew 16.21-27 of Sun August 30

Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised.

And Peter took Jesus aside and began to rebuke him, saying, God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you. But he turned and said to Peter, Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are thinking not as God does, but as humans do.

Then Jesus told his disciples, If anyone wants to become my follower, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, and whoever loses their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit anyone to gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will anyone give in return for their life?

“For the Son of Man is to come with his Angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay each according to their work.”



Pro - life Corner

Mark your calendar!

Life Chain, Sunday, October4, 2026 from 2-3pm. More information to follow.