

TWENTY—SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY

PASTOR'S CORNER



Why do you gossip...about me too? I ask this question simply to catch your attention. So try to pay attention to what is important in this reflection. Sometimes we talk too much about others behind their backs, because we fail to remember that gossip can kill, at least our heart, mind and soul. Gossip is often defined as defamation, because when we gossip, we destroy the good name of another person. Classically, there are two kinds of defamation:

1. Detraction or slander is the unjust or unfair revelation of another person's real but hidden or secret faults. If I tell my friends about the past secrets of a friend of mine too, that's slander.
2. Calumny is the untruthful imputing of some faults to another person which he or she did not actually commit.

St. Thomas Aquinas wrote, *"It is a serious matter to gossip and take away the good name of another, because among our temporal possessions nothing is more precious than our good name. If we do not have a good name, we are prevented from doing many good things. Therefore, it said: take care of your good name, for this will be a more lasting possession than a thousand valuable and precious treasures. Therefore, detraction or gossip is grievously sinful."*

Modern psychologists go a step further and say that there are three kinds of gossip:

1. The first is angry gossip. Suppressed anger is one of the most common causes of malicious gossip. People cannot admit to themselves that they are angry nor can they express their anger directly and still keep their dignity, so they let their anger out through malicious gossip.
2. The second biggest cause of gossip is envy. When we have feelings of discontent and ill-will because of other people's advantages or possessions, we are showing signs of envy. Envious people often resort to envious gossip with the clear intention of damaging the other person's name or reputation. Their very act of gossiping only serves to increase their feelings of self-hatred. Actually, they want to be like them but they are not free.
3. The last one is insecure gossip. Those people have an obsession to be liked. So for them, this is the only way to feel safe. Basically, they gossip only to be admired and their gossip is really just a kind of compensation for their low self-esteem.

P.S. If you struggle with this vice, keep in mind this short prayer: "Lord, save me from myself and deliver me from ego when I open my mouth. Amen."



Fr. Slawek

OCTOBER 6, 2024



MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday, October 8

9 a.m. Repose of the soul of Pelagia T Diapera req. by Anibilla Diapera.

Wednesday, October 9

9 a.m. Private Intentions.

Thursday, October 10

9 a.m. Repose of the soul of Lois Larocque req. by the Larocque family.

Friday, October 11

9 a.m. Intentions of Triston Popescu.

Saturday, October 12

4:30p.m. Intentions of all Parishioners.

Sunday, October 13

9 a.m. Repose of the soul of Avelino Constantino req. by Maria Valerio.

11 a.m. Feast of Our Lady of Pillar.



COFFEE & TEA SOCIAL

Wednesday, October 9, 2024

After the 9 a.m. Mass in the Parish



ARE YOU MOVING? OR HAVE YOU ALREADY MOVED?

Please contact the parish office so your records can be updated. Thank you.



Children's Liturgy will be during the 9 am mass.



It's only
God's
opinion
of you that
really matters

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HOLY SPIRIT PARISH INCOME/EXPENSE

Diocesan Assessment for January—June 2024:
\$ 31, 289.00—5 installment payments

SEPTEMBER 22, 2024

Ordinary Income

Regular Envelope Offering	\$ 3, 112.00
Loose offering	\$ 152.00
Parking Rental	\$ 770.00
Votive Candles	\$ 310.00
Donate Now (online donation)	\$ 1, 935.29
PAG (preauthorized giving monthly)	\$ 4, 713.16
Total	\$10, 992.45

Ordinary Expense

Church Expense:	\$14, 538.73	(Payroll incl.)
Assessment payment: 5 of 5	\$ 6, 257.80	
Total	\$20, 796.53	

SEPTEMBER 29, 2024

Ordinary Income

Regular Envelope	\$ 3, 385.00
Offering Loose offering	\$ 160.00
Votive Candles	\$ 357.00
Needs of Canadian Church	\$ 1, 770.00
Total	\$ 5, 672.00

Ordinary Expense

Church Expense:	\$ 2, 770.93
Property Insurance	\$ 7, 636.59
Needs of Canadian Church	\$ 1, 770.00
Total	\$12, 177.52

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATIONS SESSIONS FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR 2024 -2025

First Communion and Confirmation **deadline** to submit complete registration forms is on **October 20, 2024** after the 9 and 11 am Masses. **Please note: No registration form will be accepted after the deadline.**

The start of both First Communion and Confirmation classes will be on Sunday, October 27 at 10 a.m.

Sunday, November. 3 - Enrollment Mass at 9 a.m. Mass for First Communion and the Enrollment Mass at 11 a.m. for Confirmation.



THE SOCIETY OF SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL HOLY SPIRIT CONFERENCE

We are called to follow Jesus, by being of service to others with humility, gentleness, compassion and love. We can be true followers of Jesus' message by reaching out to the people who ask us for help, people who depend on us for their material and spiritual needs—our neighbour in-need.

As a community, let us commit ourselves to reach out to those in need.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS!