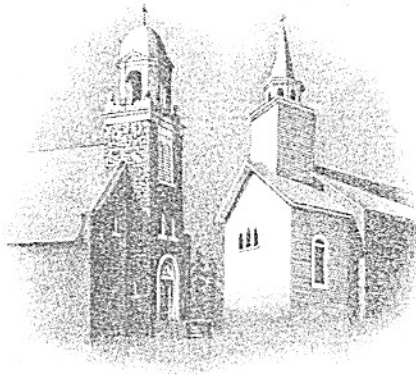


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**Sunday, February 23, 2014**  
Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

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**The Catholic  
Communities of  
St. John the Evangelist**

2540 Stagecoach Road, Osgoode 

and

**St. Brigid**

2015 River Road, Manotick 

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**FORGIVING LOVE**

Today's Gospel has to be taken with the utmost seriousness. The kind of love Jesus is asking of us has to be much deeper than a skin deep love. We can all love cute babies, or kind people, or those who love us. But as Jesus says, "ever sinners love those who love them". We've all seen or read stories where criminals, who kill other people, still love their own friends. There's nothing remarkable about that, is there? What is remarkable is to love those who have seriously injured you.

"Do to others as you would have them do to you". You will notice that Jesus does not say, "Do to others as they do to you". Returning evil for evil has no place in the life of a Christian. When we carry unforgiveness, hateful thoughts, wishes for revenge in our hearts, then we are carrying a burden that will end up harming us seriously in the long run. We will suffer from self-pity and from all the negative effects of unforgiveness.

The psalm that we prayed today is filled with God's forgiveness. God does not see us as filled with darkness and evil. God sees beyond our darkness. God looks on us with the utmost tenderness and love. Forgiveness and healing are the gifts that God continually offers us, with no questions asked. If we accept God's gift, we will let go of our negative, and allow God's life energy to move out of us towards others.

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**MASS INTENTIONS**

**St. John**

**Sunday, February 23 at 9:00 a.m.**  
Soul of Hilda Grace, by Bill & Betty Coxall

**Thursday, February 27 at 7:00 p.m.**  
Parishioners of St. John & St. Brigid

**Friday, February 28 at 9:00 a.m.**  
Parishioners of St. John & St. Brigid

**Sunday, March 2 at 9:00 a.m.**  
Soul of Jack Crawford, by Joe & Anne McLaughlin

**St. Brigid**

**Saturday, February 22 at 5:00 p.m.**  
Soul of Martin Van Riel, by Friends

**Sunday, February 23 at 10:30 a.m.**  
Soul of Lawrence Miron, by Audrey Miron

**Saturday, March 1 at 5:00 p.m.**  
Soul of Julia Clarke, by Angus MacDonald & Peggy Kelly

**Sunday, March 2 at 10:30 a.m.**  
Soul of Rose-Marie Latimer, by The family

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**Sacrament of Reconciliation  
(Confession):**

- Saturday at **St. Brigid** from 4:30 to 4:45 p.m.
  - Sundays at **St. John** from 8:30 to 8:45 a.m.
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## Parish News and Community Life

### REST IN PEACE

**MONIQUE ZANUTTA**, of St. John the Evangelist parish  
Dear mother of Bob, Tina and Toni

### ASH WEDNESDAY

A mass will be celebrated on **Wed., March 5, 7:00 p.m.** at St. John's church with the distribution of ashes. Ashes will not be distributed on Sunday.

### TAX RECEIPTS

Please remember to get your tax receipt at the entrance of the church, receipts are in alphabetic order.

### WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

The women of Egypt have written the Prayer Service "*Streams in the Desert*". Pray together and learn more about the culture and heritage of Egypt **Fri., March 7**, Canadian Martyrs Church, 100 Main St. Ottawa, 2 p.m. Refreshments follow. Info: 613-232-5347.

### "COME AND SEE" NAZARETH DAY

Learn more about Nazareth Summer Family Retreats for Catholic families, and meet other families who have attended retreats. **Sat., March 22, 9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.** at St. Martin de Porres Church, Mass at 10:00 a.m., cold pot-luck lunch. RSVP by **March 7**. Info: ([www.nazarethfamily.com](http://www.nazarethfamily.com)).

### CELEBRATION OF ST. PATRICK

The Catholic Women's League at Our Lady of Fatima parish hall, **Sat., March 8, 6:00 p.m.** Live Irish Music, song & dance with dinner for \$15. Advance tickets sales only, after all weekend Masses up to **March 2**. Info: Onagh Dooley (613-726-7583).

### RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD – ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER/CONCERT

Irish stew, colcannon, soda bread, Irish desserts. **March 15, 6:00 p.m.** Cash bar. Cost: \$15 (children 10 & under, free) Tickets on sale weekends of March 1/2 & 8/9; at parish office, Vi (613-733-3063).

### ST. PATRICK'S HOME - FOUNDATION LOTTERY

Funds raised will be directed to supporting the needs of residents. Lottery tickets are \$100 each. The deadline to purchase tickets is **February 24**. The draw will be on Mar. 7. Tickets: 613-260-2738; ([marleemccelligott@stpats.ca](mailto:marleemccelligott@stpats.ca)).

### PILGRIMAGE TO ROME WITH FR. SCOTT MCCAIG

Rome, Florence and Naples. **Sept. 22 – Oct. 3, 2014**. \$2995 USD per person/double occupancy. Daily Mass, walking tours. Info: 1-855-710-7663; ([www.takeapilgrimage.com](http://www.takeapilgrimage.com)).

### Last Sunday's Collection

St. Brigid: \$ 956.60

St. John: \$ 1,702.75

### Clothing Depot

Open Saturday mornings from 10 a.m. until 12 noon.  
Coordinator: Wilda Corcoran at 613-821-3730.

### Food Bank

Open Saturday mornings from 10 a.m. until 12 noon.  
Coordinators: Len or Denise Herbert at 613-821-1481.

### Hospitality

St. Brigid – if you know of a parishioner who is ill, or has suffered a loss, and would appreciate receiving a card, please call Sharon Van Schyndel at 613-489-0247.

### Baptisms

Upon Request. A baptism preparation course is required.

### Marriage

Please notify the parish office at least six months prior to the anticipated wedding date.

### Our St. Brigid Community

#### St. Brigid Parish Council\*

Deanna Kelly, Chair  
Maureen Goodspeed  
John Kelly

#### St. Brigid Cemetery

Mike Kelly 613-692-4293

### Our St. John Community

#### St. John Parish Council\*

Mark O'Neill, Co-Chair  
Dave Sandre, Co-Chair  
Sean Blanchfield  
Susan Phillips, Finance  
Al Hawco, Maintenance  
Len Herbert, Maintenance

#### St. John Cemetery

Leonard Lapensee  
613-821-3249

\*Please contact Parish Office for Council information.