29th Sunday of Ordinary Time – October 17th – 18th, 2026
Fr. Emmanuel Mbam

Masses for the Week October 19th – 25th, 2026

Date	Time	Mass Intentions and Liturgical Events	Celebration
Monday 19		Personal Mass	St. Paul of the Cross
Tuesday 20	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament before Mass from 6:00pm until 7:00pm		
Tuesday 20	7:00pm	Intentions of Mary Frances Goodwin	
Wednesday 21	9:00am	Intentions of Jeannine Lebel	
Thursday 22	9:00am	†Joan Parker	St. John Paul II
Friday 23	9:00am	Divine Blessings for Andrew Roelands on his Ordination to the Transitional Diaconate - Andrea Galante	St. John of Capistrano
Friday 23	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 9:30am until 10:30am		
Saturday 24	9:00am	Intentions of Josh & Chrissy Sullivan	St. Anthony Mary Claret
Saturday 24	11:00am	Memorial Mass of Yvonne Kunkel	
Saturday 24	5:00pm	Intentions of John & Jill Davis	30th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday 25	9:00am	People of the Parish	
Sunday 25	10:30am	Eastholme –†David Howard	

St. Joseph's Church Calendar of Events for the weeks of October 19th – November 7th, 2026

Date	Event	Time	Place
Tuesdays	Study: Foundations of Faith: A Journey Through the Catechism of the Catholic Church	Following the 7pm Mass	St Joseph's Rectory
Thursdays	CLAY	6:30-8:00pm	St. Joseph's Parish Hall
Oct 21	R.C.I.A	7pm-8:30pm	St. Joseph's Parish Hall
Oct 23	Andrew Roelands' Ordination to the Transitional Diaconate	7:00pm	Cathedral of St Peter-In-Chains, Peterborough
Oct 25	Welcoming Rite of Confirmation Candidates	9am Mass	St Joseph's Church
Oct 26	Confirmation Lesson - Session 2	6:30pm-8pm	St. Joseph's Parish Hall
Nov 1	Daylight Saving Time Ends – **TURN BACK YOUR CLOCKS**		
Nov 1	Coffee Sunday	Following the 9am Mass	St Joseph's Church
Nov 7	Right to Life Dinner	Doors open at 5:00pm	Callander Legion Br 445

OFFERTORY-St. Joseph's & St John's – *Thank you*

October 10-11, 2026, St. Joseph's		
Collection	**AMOUNT**	**# Env**
Sunday Offertory	$ 1,085.35	28
Sunday Offertory E-Transfers	$ 450.00	3
Building Fund	$ 1,120.00	5
October 11, 2026, St. John's		
Sunday Offertory- St John's	$ 615.00	6
Sunday Offertory E-Transfers		
Building Fund	$ 40.00	1

OCTOBER ROSARY: October is the month of the Holy Rosary; therefore, we encourage all parishioners to pray the Holy Rosary for Peace in the World. Please, come earlier this month to join us in praying the Holy Rosary before each Mass. "The Family that Prays Together Stays Forever" ...a famous quote from the Holy Rosary Crusader Fr. Patrick Peyton, and to Padre Pio, the Rosary is the powerful weapon to attain peace in our hearts, homes and the world. Please, give it a try.

REMINDER that St John's, Alsace is closed for the winter and the Eastholme Mass is now Sunday at 10:30am.

TENTATIVE CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE FOR 2026:

Dec. 24: 5:00PM (St Joseph's Church, Powassan)
7:00PM (St John's Church, Alsace)
Dec. 25: 10:00AM (St Joseph's Church, Powassan)
1:30PM (Eastholme)
Dec. 26: 9:00AM (St Joseph's Church, Powassan)

We welcome your suggestions.

North Bay Right to Life/Pro-Vie Annual Dinner

Special guest speakers are Daryl and Jessica Sheppard. Their pro-life story, "SHEPPARDING PRO- LIFE" is tied to both personal loss and community support. Their commitment to the dignity of life and their strength through life's greatest trials are an inspiration to all.

Adults $40.00, Students $20.00, your choice of Roast Beef or Chicken Dinner, Sat. Nov 7, 2026, doors open at 5:00pm dinner served at 6:00pm.

Callander Legion Branch 445, 345 Lansdowne St Callander ON, For tickets call June Howard 705 845-5741, Pauline Guzik 705 724-5964 or Jeannine Lebel 705 724-3424.

Tuesday Evening Study: Please join us at St. Joseph's Powassan on Tuesday nights following the 7pm mass for a study of the **"Foundations of Faith: A Journey Through the Catechism of the Catholic Church".** It is an immersive exploration of the Church's teachings. Filmed across forty locations in eleven countries, this study brings you to the places where the Faith was explained and clarified by Church councils, the Church Fathers, and the Saints.

Guided by trusted Catholic presenters including Dr. Edward Sri, Jeff Cavins, Dr. Marcellino D'Ambrosio, and Fr. Mike Schmitz.

Contact Paul Long at powassanbiblestudy@gmail.com or the parish office for more information.

CLAY! - a fun, catechetical program for kids in Jk- Grade 5, at 6:30 to 8pm on Thursday nights at St. Joseph's Parish Hall, Powassan. This program includes a time of games, crafts, memorization, prayer and teaching. Please contact the parish office for more details or Jessica Sheppard at 705-497-6219.

Coffee Sunday Convener: We are still looking for a convener for Coffee Sundays, which are held once a month. Duties include making up a volunteer schedule twice a year and purchasing supplies when needed. Training will be provided. We are also in need of more volunteers to assist with Coffee Sundays. Please contact Laurie in the office if you are interested in this hospitality ministry, 705-724-2118, or email the office at: office@stjosephspowassan.ca

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Young women discernment weekend in Quebec at the monastery of Abbey of Sainte-Marie des Deux-Montagnes on Nov 6-9, 2026.

The purpose of the weekend will be to expose young women to an experience of contemplative life and to take some time away with God to discern His will. We will join the Benedictine sisters for the sung hours of prayer (in Gregorian chant). We will have some teachings on contemplative prayer, silence and discerning God's will. There will be daily mass and confession available, with the possibility of spiritual direction. We will also include a visit to the Queenship of Mary Sisters in Ottawa to learn about the active religious life and how these young women discerned their vocation.

There is limited space available (everyone will receive their own private room), so we will take registrations at a first-come first served basis. The cost is $150 for the weekend. We will coordinate rides together. We will drive down the Friday morning and return the Sunday night. Registration link: https://forms.gle/x68GazntkBvfkAgM9

PRAYER FOR THE POPE'S HEALING:

The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops invites all the faithful to pray for the healing of the Holy Father, Leo XIV, by reciting this prayer to Our Lady offered by the pope himself:

> **Sweet Mother** do not part from me.
> Turn not your eyes away from me.
> Walk with me at every moment and never leave me alone. You who always protect me as a true Mother, obtain for me the blessing of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

Catholic Mom's Group- We meet Friday mornings around Powassan, bringing babies, toddlers and homeschooled children, as we strive for edifying conversation and prayer amidst the chaos. Contact Mary-Kate Long- 705-358-9964 for details.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY AND ANNIVERSARY FROM YOUR PARISH FAMILY	
The following people are having a birthday and anniversary this week of Oct 18– Oct 25	
Birthdays	**No Anniversaries to report**
Gail Young Oct 25	

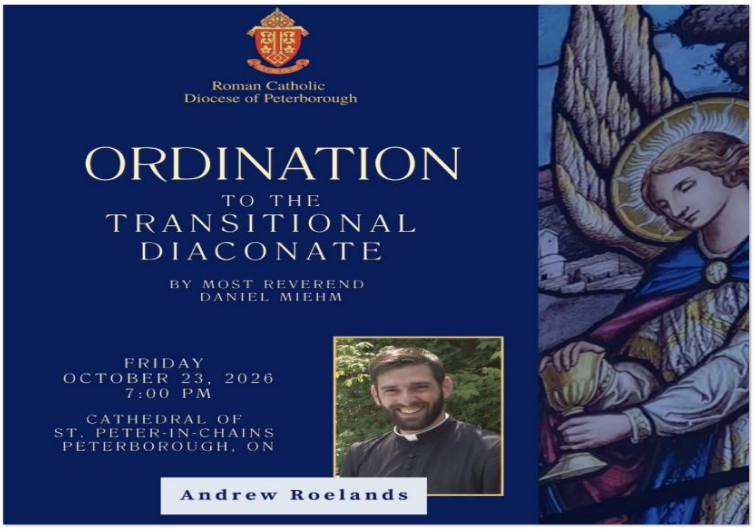
If you would like to have your birthday or anniversary included, please send Laurie your name and dates to the office.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH ESPECIALLY: Judy Conto, Fay Pigeau, Peter Gartner, Janet Hogan, Verna Giesler, Patti Bester, Barb Eckensviller, Steve Lawrence, Elaine Beaton, Wendy Beekman, Alex Beaton, Diane Blastorah, Ken Rich, Peter Blastorah, Auggie Sheppard, Laura Gauthier, Quinn Hargrave, Mark Hogan, & Elva Way.

†Eternal Rest be granted to Yvonne Kunkel

LAURIE'S OFFICE HOURS FOR NEXT WEEK: **Wed & Thurs 9:00am-5:00pm.**

Quote of the Week: "You will never be happy if your happiness depends on getting solely what you want. Change the focus. Get a new center. Will what God wills, and your joy no man shall take from you."

~ Blessed Fulton Sheen

Have a great week! ~ God bless, Love Laurie