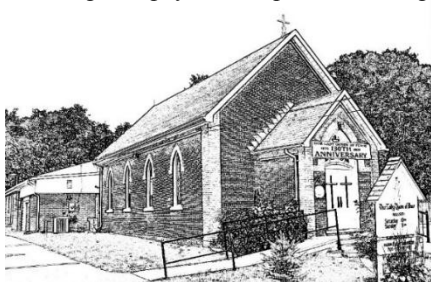


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Deacon Emeritus: Rev. Bill Steenburgh

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PARISH SERVICES:

Holy Mass:

Please refer to Page 2 of the Bulletin for mass time details.

Confessions:

Available 30 minutes prior to mass or after each mass.

Sacraments :

Please contact the Office regarding First Communion, First Reconciliation, Anointing of the Sick, Baptisms or Marriages



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Contact Nick Kapular 905-622-4969 or
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Sat. Oct 4 th	4:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	FF BC	Holy Mass † Lorraine Smith by Jim Smith & Family Holy Mass †
Sun. Oct 5 th	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	BC FF	Holy Mass † Holy Mass †
Wed. Oct 8 th	1:00 p.m.	BC	Holy Mass †
Thurs. Oct 9 th	9:00 a.m.	FF	Holy Mass †
Fri. Oct 10 th	9:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m.	FF BC	Holy Mass † Holy Mass †
Sat. Oct 11 th	4:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	FF BC	Holy Mass † Holy Mass †
Sun. Oct 12 th	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	BC FF	Holy Mass † Holy Mass † Agnes Petek Skulj by Joe Skulj & Family

**Let us remember in Our Prayers
all who are Sick**

Bobcaygeon – Paul Sirois, Lynn Lebel, Joseph Ehmann, Judith Dann, Helen Vozza, Barbara Gartner, Joan Carnevale, Jeff Armstrong, & Jose Foot

Fenelon Falls – P. McKeaveney, Pat Howards, Patrick White, Bob Smith, Erica Dutrieue, Jim Saigeon, Jeffrey Chin & Deacon Bill Steenburgh

Summary of Funds Collected Sept 22nd to 28th, 2025

OLQP	Sunday Offertory	\$1,223. ³⁵
	Canada Helps	\$ 96. ⁵⁰
	E-transfer	\$ 50. ⁰⁰
St. Aloysius	Sunday Offertory	\$1,461. ⁵²
	Canada Helps	\$ 48. ¹²
	E-transfer	\$ 0. ⁰⁰

From the Desk of the Pastor...

We all struggle in our faith and there is no harm or shame in admitting this. The followers of Jesus at least are humble and honest to admit it and ask Him, "Lord, increase our faith." The truth is that we are not angels. Every saint struggled in their faith. Every saint has a past and every sinner a future. A father or a mother who struggles to make a living for their family will struggle in their faith. Every son or daughter who experiences addiction will struggle in their faith. Any Catholic who keeps failing when battling against sinfulness constantly will struggle in their faith. A person who suffers due to cancer or an incurable illness will struggle in their faith. A married couple in the brink of separation will struggle in their faith. When we experience immense suffering, we will definitely go through a time of struggle in our faith. Every time you witness something bad happening in the church, you will struggle in your faith.

It is normal to question our faith in God. God is not offended by our doubts or struggle in faith. He is willing to reassure us, and to stand by us, and to strengthen us. Isaiah reassures us that the Lord will "strengthen the weak hands, and make firm the feeble knees" (Isaiah 35:3) We should know that when we struggle in our faith, it means that our Lord is providing us with the opportunity to stretch and grow in our faith. Most people are not aware that when they request the Lord to increase their faith, He will do so not by boosting our spiritual powers but providing us with the training ground to build and form stronger spiritual capacity. When we ask Him to increase our faith, we are literally asking Him to send us trials and tribulations. So, beware when you ask for more faith. Your prayers will certainly be answered but not in the way you expect it. Struggling in faith like the Apostles shows that we are on the right path. It is a sign of growing pain, of a faith which is alive and continues to burst out of its baby clothes. God will uphold your faith.

Following the Lord and living our Christian lives every day is no less easy or less demanding. An ample amount of endurance, perseverance and fidelity is absolutely needed. In other words, the righteous must live by faith. No wonder we heard the request, "Lord, increase our faith." May this be our constant deepest yearning.

- Fr. Erwin



Fr. Erwin kindly invites parishioners to consider donating flowers from their gardens or homes to adorn our altars. As we approach Thanksgiving, a time of praise, prayer and gratitude to God, the giver of all good gifts, we hope to decorate the altar and church with mums. For OLQP parishioners, if you would like to donate a small potted mum (any colour), you may leave it in the kitchen on either Friday or Saturday, Oct. 3rd & 4th, between 12:30–1:30 p.m. At St. Aloysius please place flowers at the back of the church. If at anytime you are able to contribute, please contact Lucy in Bobcaygeon or Kerrin in Fenelon Falls. These offerings help reduce the need for purchased arrangements while bringing the beauty of God's creation into our churches.

OLQP

Food Bank: Starting next week will be collecting; stove top stuffing, canned vegetables, canned turkey gravy, canned cranberries in preparation for Thanksgiving. Items collected at the Church will be dropped off the week before Thanksgiving to the Foodbank. Thank you for your continued support! Donations can be dropped off at the church, the local grocery stores or at 55 Main Street, Bobcaygeon on Wednesdays between 9:30 a.m. -11:00 a.m.

Support Our Parishes' Monthly Collection


**CORNERSTONE
CAMPAIGN**


THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO SUPPORTED THE SECOND COLLECTION FOR THE CORNERSTON CAMPAIGN.

The funds will be used to maintain and improve our church buildings. All funds raised will go directly toward essential improvements and repairs at both parishes.

To date we have collected the following amounts:

Our Lady Queen of Peace \$ 2,275.¹⁰

St. Aloysius \$ 4,129.⁸⁸

We invite you to prayerfully consider making a monthly contribution to this important initiative. Your generosity will help ensure that our churches remain welcoming, safe and beautiful places of worship for years to come.

Next Collection Date: TBA

Let us work together to preserve our faith communities — every gift makes a difference.

Thank you for your continued support and commitment to the future of our parishes. Add your donation to the collection basket using the green envelopes provided at each parish. Include your personal information to receive a donation receipt.


**INDIGENOUS RECONCILIATION FUND
Round 4 from Sept 22 to Oct 31, 2025**

The IRF supports Indigenous-led and managed projects in one or more of these areas:

- Healing for communities and families,
- Culture and language revitalization,
- Knowledge-sharing, heritage & traditions and community building; and
- Dialogues for promoting Indigenous spirituality and culture.

Let your Indigenous friends know about Round 4 funding of IRF Indigenous-led and managed projects, and check out the projects that were funded in Rounds 1, 2, and 3.

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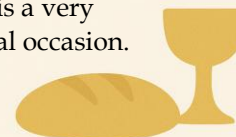
THANK YOU!

Fr. Erwin would like to extend his heartfelt thanks to everyone who attended the 'Welcome Luncheon' on Sunday.

It was a joy for him to meet more of our parish family and to experience the kindness and warmth expressed by so many.

It was wonderful to see our parish community come together in fellowship, sharing food, laughter and celebration.

Your presence and support made this a very special occasion.



With gratitude,
Fr. Erin

Prayer for Those Recovering from Natural Disasters

Merciful God,
The natural world is both wondrous and terrifying.
It can tear away homes and neighborhoods
and leave lost and bereft those whose lives have been upended.
Such is the case now.
Throughout the ages, people have turned to you
in times of devastation and heartbreak.
You turned your heart towards them and did not abandon them.
Let your presence now be known by those who have lost so much
in the face of this natural disaster.
Bring them comfort and relief
and offer consolation in the midst of desolation.
Make those of us untouched by this disaster
mindful of their needs and generous in our response.
In the rebuilding that must take place, draw us together
in mutual love and support.
In your gracious name, we pray.
Amen.

🙏 Stay Engaged in Your Faith! 🙏

Be active in your spiritual journey by participating in Church services and parish life.

🙏 Join Us for the Rosary

Everyone is encouraged to pray the Rosary 30 minutes before every weekday and weekend Mass.

✚ Sacrament of Confession

Confessions are available 30 minutes before or after Masses at both parishes.

❤️ First Friday Devotion

Come celebrate Mass with Father on the First Friday of every month, followed by a Holy Hour of Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Blessed Sacrament.

Let us grow in faith together as a parish family!

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