

**Welcome on this 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
to the parishes of St. Jerome's, St. Alphonsus  
and Holy Angels**

**Mass Intentions for the week of  
September 23rd - 29th**

Tuesday, Sept. 24th, 9:00AM, St. Alphonsus, Wooler  
**Int. of Carol Dailey by Teresa Plue**

Wednesday, Sept. 25th, 9:00AM, St. Jerome, Warkworth  
**+Bill & Maureen O'Grady by the Estate**

Thursday, Sept. 26th, 9:00AM, Holy Angels, Brighton  
**+Edward Flannigan by Donna Flannigan**

Saturday, Sept. 28th, 4:00PM, St. Jerome's, Warkworth  
**+Edward Luck by Merlina Luck**

Saturday, Sept. 28th, 6:00PM, Holy Angel's, Brighton  
**+Fabrizio D'Antonio by Rita D'Antonio**

Sunday, September 29th, 9:00AM, St. Alphonsus, Wooler  
**Int. of the Living & Deceased Members of  
the Plue Family by Teresa Plue**

Sunday, September 29th, 11:00AM, Holy Angels, Brighton  
**+Paul Lynam by the Sheehan Family**

**Let us remember them all in our prayers**

"The world will not be destroyed by those who do evil, but by those who watch them without doing anything."  
*Albert Einstein*



**Fort Hope / CWL  
Outreach Project /**

Our three parishes have twined with Fort Hope, in northern Ontario, with the intention of providing aide in the form of School Supplies. Their school was lost to a fire. Please check the entrances of your church for a list of items they need. Deadline for collection will be the end of September. Thank you for your support.

"In the final analysis, the questions of why bad things happen to good people transmutes itself into some very different questions, no longer asking why something happened, but asking how we will respond, what we intend to do now that it happened. Above all trust in the slow work of God. Only God could say what this new spirit gradually forming within you will be. Give our Lord the benefit of believing that His hand is leading you, and accept the anxiety of feeling yourself in suspense and incomplete."  
*Pierre Teilhard de Chardin*

**Mass Intentions /** To help the office, when you wish to have a mass offered for a loved one, would you please indicate the parish where you would like the mass, the time, and if using a cheque, please indicate the parish where you attend. Thank you

**Weekend Offertory  
September 14th/15th**

St. Jerome's	\$ 235.00
St. Alphonsus	\$1,554.05
Holy Angels	\$1,870.00

Your continued kindness to your parishes, helps all of us in our worship and ability to reach out to others. Thank you for your generosity of time, talent and resources. We may never know the difference we make, when we give and share. Peace

"The fruit and purpose of prayer is to be oned with and like God in all things"

*Julian of Norwich*



"If you want peace, work for justice.  
If you want justice, defend life.  
If you want life, embrace truth."

*St. Pope John Paul II*

**Considering a Liturgical Ministry /** Perhaps in the past you were part of a liturgical ministry and since COVID, have been hesitant about returning to a ministry. I hope that you would reconsider. Perhaps you are new, and would like to join a ministry. In either case, drop a line to the office or Fr. Paul, and we will get you connected. Thank you for your time and consideration.

is the social justice branch of the Canadian Catholic church. They address the root causes of poverty, oppression, and inequality by working with partners in the Global South and by mobilizing Canadians in the common struggle for justice and dignity. They champion women and social movements as key agents of lasting change. If you are interested in becoming part of the parish D&P team, please let Fr. Paul know. Thank you.

**Muffin Sunday Success /** A huge thank you to the Knights of Columbus of our parishes, who provided some delightful and tasty treats on this past Muffin Sunday. It was wonderful to see so many parishioners coming together to celebrate one another. There were a number of visitors to our parish, who also appreciated your hospitality. Well done to you, and thank you.



**Congratulations St. Alphonsus Wooler, CWL 85th Anniversary /** On behalf of the CWL Wooler planning committee, they wish to thank you all. There was a wonderful turnout both for the mass and for the continued celebration in the Parish Hall. It all went well from start to finish, with a great buffet breakfast, insightful guest speakers, and most importantly, it was simply a wonderful opportunity for those who gathered to celebrate one another and to keep the flame of faith and community alive and thriving. Well done and peace to you all.

**Praying for our Friends and Family**

Let us call to mind and include in our prayers, those in need of our prayers, especially, **Robert Donaldson & Marty Opsteen.**

Let us also remember those who have recently died, especially **Marie Vickers & Maria Kasala.**

May we remember them, and their families and care givers. May our prayers and acts of compassion be a comfort to them.



“Be like the sun for grace and mercy. Be like the night to cover others' faults. Be like running water for generosity. Be like death for rage and anger. Be like the Earth for modesty. Appear as you are. Be as you appear.” Rumi

“You are rewarded not according to your work or your time but according to the measure of your love. Preach the Truth as if you had a million voices. It is silence that kills the world.”

*St. Catherine of Sienna*

**What might be the most challenging virtue?**

*pah*

The most challenging virtue, might be the one each of us finds the most difficult to practice. For some, it might be forgiveness, another generosity, yet for others it might be to love unconditionally. I wonder if St. Augustin captured it well when he wrote, “*Humility is the foundation of all the other virtues hence, in the soul in which this virtue does not exist there cannot be any other virtue except in mere appearance.*” Perhaps the reason for this is that by nature, humility unmasks any and all pretense and insincere motivation in our intentions and actions. This happens whenever we are under pressure or when there is no audience.

The word humility comes from the Latin “humilitas” meaning, grounded or from the earth. Humus, is disintegrated solids that is reduced to simplified organic matter. In other words, it is what was once simple, became complicated, and then at some point, for some reason, returns to its first simpler form.

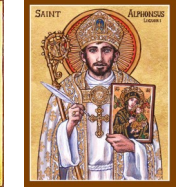
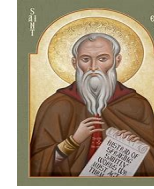
One might consider the virtue of humility to be just that: we were once quite simple and uncomplicated, as we accepted the image and likeness of God as who we are. However, for some reason, we complicated ourselves, moving further away from our original being and becoming imbalanced. If we allow ourselves to feel this discomfort, we realize we have been living someone else’s life. We have the choice to either uncomplacate ourselves and return to that which is essentially who we are by embracing humility, or not.

Out of the Ground of our Being, emerges humility, and from here, all other virtues spring forward and flourish. The result is that our kindness, generosity, understanding, mercy and love, among the many other virtues, are all uncomplicated by the unmasking of ulterior motives. The result is, that all we say and do, now comes from a place that has only one purpose and drive which is for the good and wellbeing of the other, since it is coming from the good and wellbeing that dwells within us. Humility unites us & grounds us.

**Monthly Meetings, Services and Activities**

K. of C., Brighton	(all 3 parishes)	1st Wednesday	7:00PM	Parish Hall
C.W.L, Brighton	Executive	1st Tuesday	1:00PM	Parish Hall
	General	2nd Tuesday	1:00PM	Parish Hall
C.W.L. Wooler		1st Tuesday	Following Mass	Parish Hall
St. Vincent de Paul - 613-827-6040		2nd Wednesday	3:00PM	Parish Hall/Brighton
<b>Wooler/Warkworth Parish Council</b>		<b>Tuesday, September 24th, 6:30PM</b>		<b>Parish Hall/Wooler</b>
<b>Holy Angels Parish Council</b>		<b>Thursday, September 26th, 9:45AM</b>		<b>Parish Hall/Brighton</b>
<b>Cemetery Board Meeting</b>		<b>Tuesday, October 8th, 6:30PM</b>		<b>Parish Hall/Wooler</b>

St. Jerome’s, Warkworth,  
Holy Angels, Brighton,  
&  
St. Alphonsus, Wooler Parishes



Welcome you to  
pray and grow  
with & in God.  
Peace

**Weekend Mass Schedule**

Saturday, 4:00PM St. Jerome’s  
Saturday, 6:00PM Holy Angels  
Sunday, 9:00AM St. Alphonsus  
Sunday, 11:00AM Holy Angels

**Weekday Mass Schedule /** May be found within bulletin

**Wishing To Receive Sacraments /**

Please contact the office in Wooler well in advance.

**Anointing of the Sick & Communion to the sick and shut-ins,** please call the office in Wooler.

**Exposition & Adoration,** First Fridays, following Mass in Brighton.

**Confessions** at each church, 20 minutes before weekend mass or upon request.

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**Who is the greatest among us?**

*pah*

The questions we ask are a reflection of who we are in that moment. In today’s gospel, upon again hearing Jesus share with them about his future death and resurrection to new life, what is the most important question on their minds, “who among them is the greatest?” Not, ‘why Jesus would this happen to you’, or ‘what do you ask of us’, or even ‘Jesus can you please help us to understand and to follow you more faithfully and lovingly.’ No, they are looking out for themselves, and who will sit at Jesus’ right hand in his new kingdom when he is resurrected to new life.

We are told they remained silent about what they were arguing about, yet Jesus was able to intuit it. He does not rebuke them, but provides them with a teaching that they will need to understand and hopefully put into practice.

He says, “Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all.” This teaching stings and strikes at the heart of our ego and sense of self-importance. It sounds like he maybe saying to them, and to us, that we are to be a no-body and un-remarkable. Not to lay claims to rights or privileges. We are to be an after thought for others, or not at all. For Jesus, is this being the greatest? Who among them, or us, would want to become this? Jesus did. He lived this way, he would die this way, and he would resurrect in this same manner.