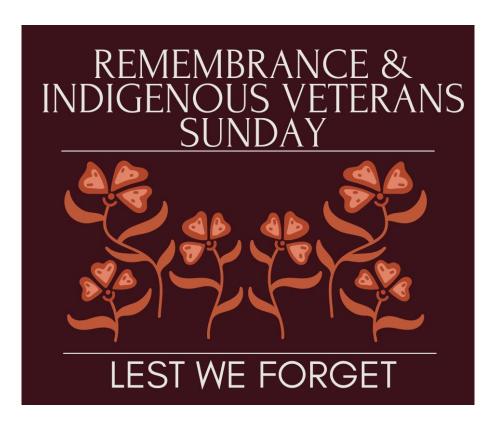
# TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



Honouring Indigenous, Métis, and Inuit Veterans (Nov 8) and All Who Served (Nov 11)

> November 9, 2025 10:30 am

Note: We are a Scent Free Facility for the health and comfort of those with allergies. Thank you for helping us care for one another.

"We must not be content with remembering the dead; we must be moved to change the systems that create the dead."

- Mairead Maguire (Nobel Peace Prize laureate from Northern Ireland), Speech, Peace People Rally, Belfast, 1976

All are warmly welcomed to our worship.

We ask visitors to introduce themselves and to join us for social hour after the service.

Kids Church is offered during the 10:30 am service. The children will leave for age appropriate activities part way through. Children are also welcome to stay at the activity table.

#### Welcome, Introduction & Invitation to Stillness

Presider We acknowledge with gratitude that we live and worship on the traditional, ancestral, and unceded lands of the kwikwaxam (Kwikwetlem) First Nation, shared historically with the qicəy (Katzie) and other Coast Salish Peoples.

We give thanks for their care of the land, waters and creatures through the generations, and we commit ourselves to walk gently upon this earth and to live as good neighbours.

#### Opening Acclamation

Presider Blessed be God, who was, and is, and is to come.

All Glory to God forever and ever.

Presider We are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses.

All Thanks be to God for their example and their prayers.

Presider Christ is Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end.

All To Christ be glory and honour for ever.

## Gathering Hymn - All Are Welcome (BB 422)

 Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safely live.
 A place where saints and children tell how hearts learn to forgive.
 Built of hopes and dreams and visions, rock of faith and vault of grace.
 Here the love of Christ shall end divisions:

#### Refrain:

All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

- 2. Let us build a house where prophets speak, and words are strong and true.

  Where all God's children dare to seek to dream God's reign anew.

  Here the cross shall stand as witness and as symbol of God's grace;

  Here as one we claim the faith of Jesus; *Refrain*
- 3. Let us build a house where love is found in water, wine and wheat;
  A banquet hall on holy ground, where peace and justice meet.
  Here the love of God, through Jesus, is revealed in time and space,
  As we share in Christ the feast that frees us; *Refrain*
- 4. Let us build a house where hands will reach beyond the wood and stone, to heal and strengthen, serve and teach, and live the Word they've known. Here the outcast and the stranger bears the image of God's face, Let us bring an end to fear and danger: *Refrain*
- 5. Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and visions heard and loved and treasured, taught and claimed as words within the Word. Built of tears and cries and laughter, prayers of faith and songs of grace. Let this house proclaim from floor to rafter: *Refrain*

Presider God be with you.

All: And also with you.

Presider Let us pray,

Faithful God,

All you have called us by name and gathered us here.

You see us as we are and love us still.

Lift our burdens, open our hearts,
and make us ready to worship you with joy and hope,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### Act of Remembrance

Presider Today we remember those who have served in times of war and conflict, and we hold in our prayers those who serve in dangerous places today.

We give particular thanks for Indigenous, Métis, and Inuit veterans, who served this country even when their service was not met with justice or equality.

We remember those who gave their lives, those who came home wounded in body or spirit, those who continue to live with the cost of conflict, and those who worked for peace.

We honour their courage and their sacrifice, and we commit ourselves to building a world where all people may live in peace.

## The Kohima Epitaph

Presider When you go home, tell them of us and say,

All For your tomorrow, we gave our today.

#### One Minute of Silence

Presider Let us keep a minute of silence to remember all who have served and suffered in war, and all who serve today in places of conflict and danger. (silence for 1 minute)

#### The National Anthem

Presider We sing *O Canada* mindful that this land's story holds both beauty and brokenness. We offer it as a prayer for healing, peace, and reconciliation - for the flourishing of all who call this land home.

(Please stand as you are able)

#### Anthem - O Canada

O Canada! Our home and native land! True patriot love in all of us command. With glowing hearts we see thee rise, The True North, strong and free! From far and wide, O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.

God keep our land glorious and free! O Canada, we stand on guard for thee. O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.

#### Act of Commitment

Presider Let us commit ourselves to follow the way of peace.

Will you strive for all that makes for peace?

All With God's help, we will.

Presider Will you seek to heal the wounds of war, in body,

mind, and spirit?

All With God's help, we will.

Presider Will you work for justice and reconciliation in this land,

especially with Indigenous, Métis, and Inuit peoples?

All With God's help, we will.

Presider Will you work for justice and peace among all nations

and peoples?

All With God's help, we will.

Collect of the Day (the special prayer which 'collects' the theme of the day)

Presider God of peace,

in whose hands are the living and the dead, we offer to you the fears in us that have not yet been cast out by love. Grant us courage to seek justice, mercy to forgive, and faith to hope in your kingdom of peace; through Jesus Christ, our risen Redeemer. Amen.

## Gathering of Children

Children and their leaders are invited to come forward for a prayer before heading to Kids Church. They will rejoin us in time for Communion. If your child prefers to stay in the service, they are welcome here, and activities are available at the table at the rear of the sanctuary during this time.

Presider Loving God,

All as we gather together, we pray for open hearts and minds. Help us all to grow in faith, love, and understanding. May your Spirit guide us, and may your love unite us, now and always. Amen.

Gloria - Glory to God - Mass of Renewal

Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to people of good will

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, We give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; You take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; You are seated at the right hand of the Father Have mercy on us.

For You alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, With the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father Amen, Amen

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#### **Proclamation of the Word**

## The Readings

Presider Let us prepare ourselves for the Word of God as it comes

to us through the reading of the Holy Scriptures.

All Our hearts and minds are open.

First Reading - Ruth 3:1-5, 4:13-17

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying.

All Thanks be to God.

## Psalm - Psalm 127 - We Long to See Your Face



- Unless God builds the house, their labour is in vain who build it. Unless God watches over the city, in vain the sentinel keeps vigil. *Refrain*
- It is in vain that you rise so early and go to bed so late; vain, too, to eat the bread of toil, for God's friends receive the gift of sleep.
   Children are a heritage from God, and the fruit of the womb is a gift. *Refrain*
- Like arrows in the hand of a warrior
  are the children of one's youth.
  Happy are those who have their quiver full of them!
  they shall not be put to shame
  when they contend with their enemies in the gate. *Refrain*

#### Second Reading - Hebrews 9:24-28

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying

All Thanks be to God

Please stand as you are able for the Gospel Reading

## Gospel Acclamation



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Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

according to Mark.

All Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel - Mark 12:38-44

Reader The Gospel of Christ.

All Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily - Rev. Philip Cochrane

Anthem - The Kontakion (by Rupert Lang)

## Affirming Our Faith

Presider Together, we declare the faith that holds us and the hope that leads us.

All We believe in God, the Source of Life, by whom every being in heaven and earth is created, named, and sustained.

We believe in God, the Living Word, who restores us to relationship and speaks to us through faith.

We believe in God, the Holy Spirit, who comforts, guides, and strengthens us to share the good news of grace.

We believe in God, one, holy, undivided Trinity: Source of Life, Living Word, Comforter: Mystery. Amen.

Prayers of the People

#### Confession & Absolution

Presider Christ calls us to live in faith, hope and love, yet we have not always lived as people of God's story hoarding what was meant to be shared and neglecting to live with gratitude and generosity.

Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sins in faith and hope.

We keep a moment of quiet for reflection

Presider God of all mercy,

All we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives.

We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created.

We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf.

Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Saviour Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

Presider Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**<sub>1</sub>

#### The Peace

Presider The peace of Christ is God's gift – reconciling us to one another, to the saints who have gone before us, and to the world Christ came to save.

Let us share that peace with one another.

The peace of Christ be always with you.

All And also with you.

(The congregation greets one another with a sign of peace.)

## Offertory

In gratitude for all we've received, we offer of ourselves back to God. Bread, wine, and money symbolize the fruits of our labour. If you give through Pre-Authorized Donations or e-transfer (office@saintlaurence.ca), you're welcome to use a blue card to represent your offering to the glory of God.

## Offertory Hymn - Give Us Your Peace (OCP 869)



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## Prayer over the Gifts

Presider God of peace,

All accept all we offer you this day,

and strengthen us in the service of your kingdom,

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### **Celebration of our Sacred Meal**

The Great Thanksgiving

Presider God is with you.

All And also with you.

Presider Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them up to God.

Presider Let us give thanks to God our Creator.

All We give our thanks and praise.

Presider Creator, you made our world - beautiful and good.
You made us to live in right relationship with you

and all creation. You sent Jesus to live among us

and show us what you are like.

We give all thanks and praise to you, our true and loving God. You laid the foundations of the earth and enclosed the seas. You brought forth all creatures and gave breath to humankind.

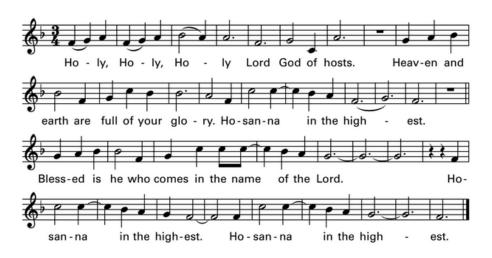
Wondrous are you, Holy One.

All you create is a sign of hope for our journey. And so, we join with the heavenly beings

and all of creation as we sing:

and all of creation as we sing

## Sanctus - Holy - Mass of Renewal



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Presider Glory and honour are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent.

Of your grace, you sent Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign, and to give himself for us.

Through Jesus Christ you have reconciled us to you and restored the glory you intended for us.

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On the night before he died, Jesus ate supper with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks, broke it, and gave it to them, saying:

"Take and eat. This is my very self given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup of wine, again he gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying:

"Drink it all of you. This cup is a new covenant poured out for you and all people.

Do this for the remembrance of me."

And so, we remember: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, and, longing for Christ's coming again in glory, we present these gifts to you.

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts, so that we who share this bread and wine may be a people of hope, justice and love.

Draw us together in Christ, and, in the fullness of time, gather us with all your people into the joy of your eternal home.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator and give you our unending praise. **Amen.** 

#### Lord's Prayer



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## The Breaking of the Bread

The celebrant breaks the consecrated bread.

Presider We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

All Though we are many, we are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

#### Lamb of God



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#### The Invitation

Presider This is the table of Christ, set in the midst of God's people across every time and place. Come – for all is ready, and all are welcome

Presider The gifts of God for the people of God.

All Thanks be to God.

#### The Distribution

At St. Laurence, everyone is invited to the table. You may receive only the bread or both bread and wine. Non-fermented grape juice is available in the ceramic chalice, and gluten-free wafers are offered—just ask at the distribution. If you prefer a blessing, simply cross your arms across your chest.

## Communion Hymn - The Peace of the Earth (HGSP 798)



Text: Traditional Guatemalan; trans. by Christine Carson
Tune: Traditional Guatemalan; arr. by John L. Bell, b.1949
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#### Communion Hymn - Dona Nobis Pacem (OCP 164)



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#### Moment of Silence

Take a moment to be still and know God. Let the world's noise fade as you listen for the deep stillness beneath it all. The silence begins and ends with the ringing of a bell.

#### Prayer after Communion

Presider God of hope,

All you have nourished us at your table.

Keep us faithful in remembrance, steadfast in peace, and strong in hope, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Presider Glory to God,

All whose power, working in us,

can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine.

Glory to God from generation to generation,

in the Church and in Christ Jesus

for ever and ever. Amen.

#### **Announcements**

## **Blessing**

Presider May the God who holds all history bless you.

May Christ, the ruler of nations, guide you in truth and love.

May the Holy Spirit keep you steadfast in faith

and strong in hope.

And the blessing of the holy and undivided Trinity,

one God, be with you and remain with you always. Amen.

## Closing Hymn - For the Healing of the Nations (CP 576)



Catholic Book of Worship III, 503 Text: Fred Kaan; Copyright © 1968 Hope Publishing Company, Carol Stream, IL 60188. All rights reserved. Used by Permission. Tune (WESTMINSTER ABBEY 87 87): adapted from an anthem of Henry Purcell, c. 1659-1695

Minister Go in peace, remembering those who gave their lives for peace. Work for justice, heal the wounds of war, and build the world they hoped for.

#### All Thanks be to God.

The flowers on the altar this morning are given in loving memory of family members who have passed, in particular Nigel, and Julie's parents, Arthur and Aurora Quinn.

'Resting in the palm of God's hand'.

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#### **NEWS & NOTES**

## Wednesday Morning Gathering - 9:00 am

From silence to laughter, scripture to table - wrestling with faith, in good company.

Join us midweek for Communion, scripture, and honest conversation. A safe space to share questions, explore diverse perspectives, and deepen fellowship. Start your day nourished in spirit and community.

## **Quality Fair**

Please feel free to bring and drop off your items for Quality fair, following both services (9:00 & 10:30 am)

Sundays - November 9 & 16 - in the Hall

If you would like to drop items off during the week, please contact the church office to make arrangements.

#### **Book Club**

The Book Club meets from 2:00-4:00 pm

#### **ZOOM MEETING ONLY this month**

Next Meeting - November 11, 2025

New members are always welcome!.

Contact the church office if you are not on the Book Club list and would like to be included



Phoenix Friends Tuesday, November 25, 2025

## Luncheon- 11:30 am

Dinikas Mediterranean Grill 2020 Oxford Connector, Port Coquitlam

Mark your calendars - ALL WOMEN are welcome.

Be sure to let Susan Burkett or the Office know before <u>Friday</u>, <u>November 21</u>, if you are coming

# In Flanders Fields

In Flanders fields the poppies blow Between the crosses, row on row, That mark our place; and in the sky The larks, still bravely singing, fly Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved, and were loved, and now we lie
In Flanders Fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders Fields.

John McCrae

