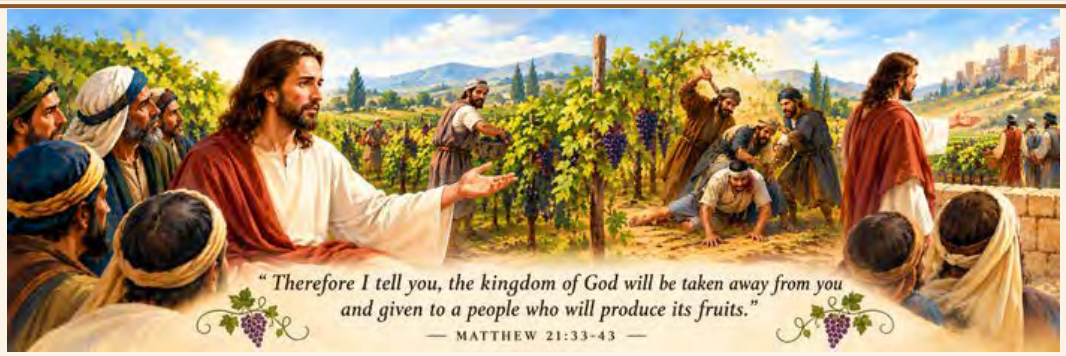
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MESSAGES FROM THE DCS

SAVE THE DATE! - Special Disciples Meeting: A Warm Welcome to Our CSL Global Representatives

We are pleased to announce and to welcome Erick & Rona Mendoza, CSL Mission, as they visit selected Canadian BLD Districts as part of their Pastoral Visit. They will be joining BLD Toronto for a **Special Disciples Meeting on Tuesday, October 6, 7:30 PM at OLA Hall.**

Please save the date and **inform your DLC as soon as possible if you will be attending, as a headcount is needed for food arrangements.** This is also a wonderful opportunity to meet our CSL Global representatives and ask any questions you may have. Additional details and the meeting agenda will be shared soon.

BLD Toronto 36th Anniversary - Thank you!

A warm thanks to all for joining us in the celebration of our 36th Anniversary! We are truly grateful for your presence, prayers, love, and joyful fellowship. Your support and service continue to make our community a beautiful expression of God's love.

We thank God for His faithfulness throughout these 36 years and for the blessing of having each one of you as part of our BLD family.

May we continue to journey together in faith, love, and service, keeping Christ at the centre of our lives.
Thank you and God bless us all! *(pls. see attached photos).*

Serve Like Jesus - Inter-District Recollection

Join the "Serve Like Jesus" one-day interactive recollection on November 7, 2026 at St. Peter Catholic School, Guelph. Rediscover Christ-centered service through love, humility, and reaching out to the last, the least, and the lost.

Love Offering: $30 per participant
Tickets: First-come, first-serve
Reserve: vivsaguil@gmail.com; or ereyes@ovc.uoguelph.ca

Hosted by OSG (BLD) Guelph DCS and the BLD Academy. Invite your family and friends!
(for complete announcement pls. see the flyer on our previous Broadcast and website).

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **First Friday Mass**
  October 2, 2026 at OLA Church 8pm
- **Special Disciples Meeting**
  Tuesday, October 6, 2026 at 7:30p in OLA Hall
- **Praise and Worship**
  Fridays, October 9, 16 & 23, 2026 at 8p in OLA Hall
- **Marriage Encounter No. 49**
  Saturday & Sunday, October 24 & 25, 2026
  Valley of the Mother of God Retreat Centre
- **Community Intercession**
  Friday, October 31, 2026 at 8p in OLA Hall

COMMUNITY WORD

God calls us to surrender to His will, bear witness to His love and live fruitful lives for His glory.

THEME

We are entrusted to produce lasting fruit for God's Kingdom.

PROMISE

"And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus." (Phil 4:7)

(Faithful Stewardship • Fruitfulness in Mission/ Faithfulness • Diligence • Responsibility)

ORDER

[None at this time].

DIRECTION

[None at this time].

CSL REFLECTION (ABRIDGED)

During the first week (Twenty-seven Sunday in Ordinary Time), we are reminded that we are entrusted to produce lasting fruit for God's Kingdom. God has entrusted each of us with gifts, responsibilities, and opportunities to participate in His saving mission. Like faithful stewards of His vineyard, we are called to cultivate lives marked by holiness, humility, obedience, perseverance, and loving service. Remaining rooted in Christ through prayer, the sacraments, and covenant life enables us to produce fruit that endures and brings glory to God. As we faithfully fulfill our stewardship, we confidently embrace His promise: "The peace of God that surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus" (Phil. 4:7) *(see p6 for Sunday readings).*

Reflection Guide Questions:

1. What gifts, responsibilities, or ministries has God entrusted to me, and how faithfully am I using them to be fruitful in service and mission?
2. In what areas of my life might I be rejecting Christ or neglecting His will?

This month, The Lord invites us to deepen our covenant commitment by letting His love guide our hearts and actions. As we live our faith through obedience, service, forgiveness, generosity, and evangelization, we reflect Christ's compassion, bear lasting spiritual fruit, glorify God, and draw others closer to Him. (CSL)

ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE MINISTRIES

DISCIPLING

Teaching schedule for October:

Saturday, October 17, 12p at OLA:
Room 3: Christian Community including Body and Blood of Christ
Room 4: Christian Discipline and Christian Service

Saturday, October 31, 12p at OLA:
Room 3: TBD
Room 4: Shepherd's Training

FAMILY LIFE

From Family Life Ministry. The wait is over!
Congratulations to the lucky winners of the FE25 Sponsorship Raffle!
3rd prize - $100 - Belen Rueles
2nd prize - $250 - Sylvia Taton
Grand prize - $500 Roger and Norma Panerio - parents of Arnie/Oliver

A sincere thank you to everyone who participated and supported this initiative. Your enthusiasm and engagement brought energy, excitement, and a strong sense of community to the event, helping make it a tremendous success. We appreciate your support and look forward to creating more memorable experiences together.

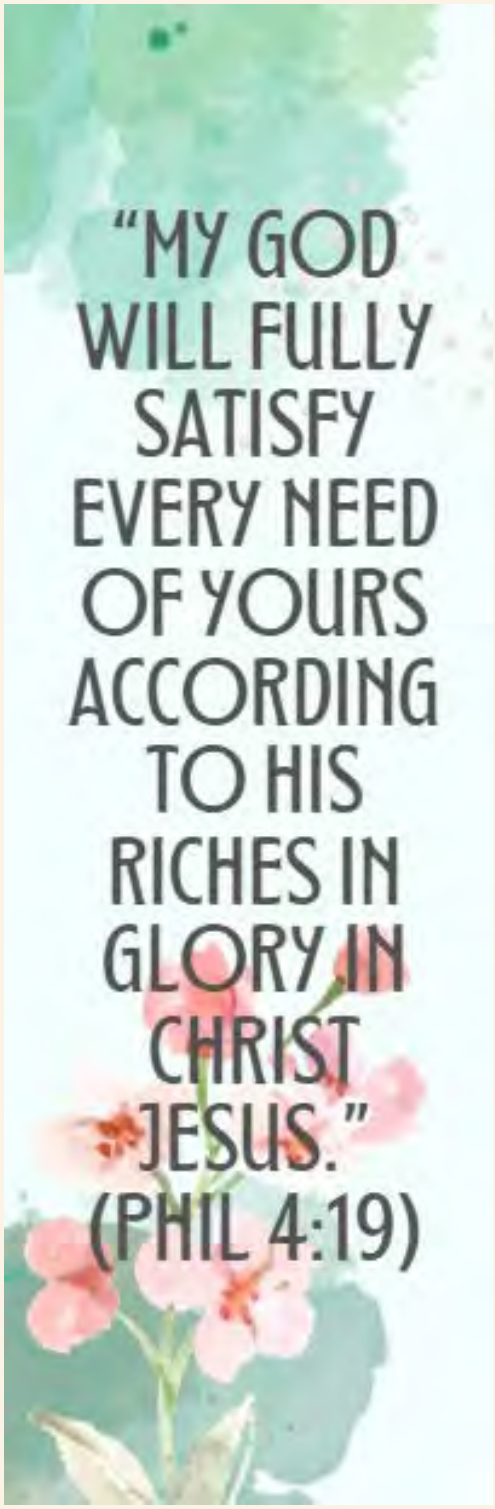
MISSION

- The **Winnipeg Prayer Group - Heartfelt Thanks**

  To all the graduates of Winnipeg Prayer Group ME #3, congratulations on completing this blessed journey. May the lessons, friendships, and graces you have received continue to strengthen your faith and enrich your married life.

  Our sincere gratitude also goes to all the volunteers, working team, and the Pastoral Team who generously shared their time, talent, and treasure to make the ME #3 Weekend a meaningful and successful experience. Your dedication, sacrifices, prayers, and loving service were truly a reflection of God's presence among us.

  Thank you for being instruments of His love and for helping build a stronger and faith-filled community. May God abundantly bless each one of you and your families.



ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE MINISTRIES *cont'd.*

- The **Kitchener Prayer Group** is inviting everyone to attend their **Praise and Worship on Saturday, October 24, 2026 at 6pm** to be held at the **Parish Hall of St. Mark Catholic Parish at 55 Driftwood Drive, Kitchener**, ON N2N 3A2. Please come early at 3:00pm to assist in the setup and praise practice. The regular monthly Praise and Worship is every 4th Saturday of the month.
- The **Mission Ministry** is experiencing an encouraging increase in the number of volunteers to serve meal to the homeless at the **Good Shepherd Ministries**. There are enough volunteers for the remaining months of the year. If you are interested to volunteer, please coordinate with Sam & Joy Talattad or with Tito & Dora Bacungan.

MARRIAGE LIFE

🙏 We are humbly appealing to our community to help recruit and encourage couples to join the BLD **ME No. 49 on October 24 to 25, 2026** at the Valley of the Mother of God.

The ME#49 sponsors are now accepting registrants. Contact Willie & Annette Guillermo and Felix & Linda Fullante for details. See also our website and attached ME flyer and Registration Form. Thank you for helping build strong, Christ-centered marriages.



COMMUNITY PRAYER

Lord Jesus, You said that all will know
we are Your disciples by our love for one another.
You prayed that your disciples
may all be one, just as You and the Father are one.
We ask, Lord, to grant us
that same unity of heart and mind
so that, in You, we may also be one with the Father.

Lord, we have a covenant with You
to follow Your commandments, especially
loving one another and living in unity.
Let your Holy Spirit flow freely into our hearts
and minds, so that
we may share in that mutual love
between You and the Father.

Let harmony reign in our community life
and activities, and may we always accept
one another, forgive each other,
and see each other with Your eyes, Lord Jesus.
Then, we will truly experience the fruits
of unity and merit in our midst,
Your amazing presence.

Help us to be holy as You are holy,
to sincerely love one another as You have loved us.
Remind us always to lift our hearts in prayer.
Nourish us by Your word and strengthen us
through the Sacraments.
Make us one, Lord Jesus, for it is good
and pleasant when we dwell as one, and there
You will lavish blessings upon us.
In Your Mighty Name, we pray. Amen.

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, we trust in your love.
Immaculate Heart of Mary, pray for us.
St. Joseph, pray for us.

GENERAL INFORMATION

DCS

- In response to the request raised at the last Disciples meeting, we have prepared a summary of free and confidential support available to help our members navigate the practical, legal, and emotional challenges that can follow the loss of a loved one. This brief guide highlights no-cost or low-cost services in Toronto that BLD members can refer to on for both (1) clear steps to take after the passing of a spouse—including estate administration and access to brief legal advice—and (2) counselling and grief-support options. A quick 'how to use' notes and direct source links are included to make it easy for anyone to find the help they need. This information is uploaded on our website for access.
- Our community continues to grow, and your voice matters. We've created a new email where you can share your thoughts, ideas, and feedback: bldtorontosuggestionbox@gmail.com You may include your name or remain anonymous—though adding your name helps us follow up when needed. All submissions will be kept confidential. For those who prefer the traditional method, our physical Suggestion Box remains at the hall entrance. Let's work together to build a stronger, more connected community.

INTERCESSORY

Everyone is invited to our Community Intercession every Monday evening at 7:30 PM via Zoom, except on the 1st Monday of the month and on holidays.

Pls. see below for Zoom details note that we have new Passcode:
Meeting ID: 812 7532 6147
Passcode: 2026357
Please write clearly on your petition forms, especially names, so that the intercessors can read your handwriting.

SECRETARIAT

Please remember to scan your ID before Praise and Worship each week or sign in on the attendance sheet. This helps ensure the safety and security of all members and provides important records in case of an emergency, we kindly ask that all guests register at the entrance hall using the attendance sheet provided upon arrival.

If you know of any member who is not receiving the weekly DCS broadcasts, please notify the Secretariat by emailing bldtorontosecretariat01@gmail.com.

Your assistance helps us keep all members informed about community events and important announcements.

TREASURY

To set up an Interac e-transfer for their love offerings, please see the information below:
Email: bldtorontotreasury@yahoo.com

Security Question: who is my first teacher?
Answer/Password: Jesus1

Once Jojie Abellanosa (Treasurer) receives your e-transfer, expect a confirmation email coming from her (not from your bank), otherwise please email her at the above-noted email address.

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SUNDAY READINGS*

October 4, 2026 (Cycle A) – 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

FIRST READING (Isaiah 5.1-7)

"My beloved had a vineyard on a very fertile hill. He dug it and cleared it of stones, and planted it with choice vines; he built a watchtower in the midst of it, and hewed out a wine vat in it; he expected it to yield grapes, but it yielded wild grapes.

"And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and people of Judah, judge between me and my vineyard. What more was there to do for my vineyard that I have not done in it? When I expected it to yield grapes, why did it yield wild grapes?

"And now I will tell you what I will do to my vineyard. I will remove its hedge, and it shall be devoured; I will break down its wall, and it shall be trampled down. I will make it a waste; it shall not be pruned or hoed, and it shall be overgrown with briers and thorns; I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it. For the vineyard of the Lord of hosts is the house of Israel, and the people of Judah are his pleasant planting; he expected justice, but saw bloodshed; righteousness, but heard a cry!"

PSALM 80

R: The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel.

You brought a vine out of Egypt; you drove out the nations and planted it. It sent out its branches to the sea, and its shoots to the River. **R.**

Why then have you broken down its walls, so that all who pass along the way pluck its fruit? The boar from the forest ravages it, and all that move in the field feed on it. **R.**

Turn again, O God of hosts; look down from heaven, and see; have regard for this vine, the stock that your right hand planted. **R.**

Then we will never turn back from you; give us life, and we will call on your name. Restore us, O Lord God of hosts; let your face shine, that we may be saved. **R**.

SECOND READING (Philippians 4.6-9)

Brothers and sisters: Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is honourable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

GOSPEL (Matthew 21.33-43)

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people: "Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watchtower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country.

"When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way.

"Finally he sent his son to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.' But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance.' So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him.

"Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?" They said to him, "He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time."

Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the Scriptures: 'The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord's doing, and it is amazing in our eyes'?

"Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom."

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CSL WSC REFLECTION GUIDE

October 4, 2026 (Cycle A) – 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reflection

ThIn today's Gospel, Jesus tells the parable of the tenants who were entrusted with a vineyard. Despite the owner's care and generosity, the tenants failed to fulfill their responsibilities. They rejected the servants sent to collect the harvest and eventually killed the owner's son, hoping to take possession of the vineyard. Through this parable, Jesus reminds us that everything we have comes from God and that we are accountable for how we use His gifts.

As followers of Christ, we too are entrusted with God's vineyard. Our faith, talents, relationships, ministries, and leadership responsibilities are gifts that we are called to nurture and use for His Kingdom. God expects us not merely to receive His blessings but to bear fruit through a life of holiness, obedience, generosity, and loving service. Our commitment in community directs us to be faithful stewards, always seeking God's will rather than our own interests.

Jesus also warns us of the consequences of rejecting Him. In Matthew 21:42-43, He identifies Himself as the stone rejected by the builders, which has become the cornerstone. He further declares that the Kingdom of God will be taken away from those who fail to produce its fruits. When we ignore Christ, neglect our responsibilities, or allow pride, selfishness, and complacency to govern our actions, we risk losing sight of our mission. We may be active in ministry yet fail to bear the spiritual fruits that God desires.

This is a call to examine our lives and renew our commitment to Christ, the cornerstone of our faith. We must be willing to surrender our personal ambitions, repent of our shortcomings, and faithfully fulfill the responsibilities entrusted to us. Through prayer, the sacraments, and our life in community, we draw strength from God to persevere and become fruitful disciples.

St. Paul reminds us to bring everything to God in prayer and thanksgiving. When we trust in His providence and faithfully carry out our mission, we are assured that: ***"The peace of God that surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus."*** (Phil 4:7). May we become faithful stewards who produce lasting fruit, bringing glory to God and making His love visible to others.

Prayer

Heavenly Father, thank You for entrusting us with Your gifts and calling us to serve in Your vineyard. Forgive us for the times we have neglected our responsibilities, pursued our own interests, or failed to recognize Christ as the cornerstone of our lives. Grant us humble and obedient hearts, that we may faithfully fulfill our covenant commitment and bear lasting fruit for Your Kingdom. May Your peace guide us as we surrender to Your will and serve others with love. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.