

# A Mother's Faith

Matthew 15:21-28

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## Welcome to Our Lady of Peace Parish

We welcome all new parishioners to our parish community.  
Please call the parish office for information about our  
parish or to register as a parishioner.

### LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

**WEEKDAY MASS:** Tuesday - Friday 9:00 AM

**WEEKEND MASS:** Saturday at 5:00 PM, Sunday at 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM

**ROSARY**- 20 mins before each Mass

**ADORATION** - First Friday of each month 9:30 AM - 12:00 PM

**RECONCILIATION** - Saturday's at: 4:30 PM & Sunday's at: 8:30 AM

All Masses may be viewed online at: <https://www.ourladyofpeaceregina.com/>

### WEEKLY OFFERINGS

May be dropped off at the parish, or call and we will gladly pick it up.

We also accept Email-transfers and Credit Card Donations.

Learn more on our website: <https://www.ourladyofpeaceregina.com/help--donate.html>

### STEWARDSHIP

*"For the gifts and the call of God are irrevocable." (Romans 11:29)*

God has a special mission in mind for each of us. He has given us the gifts we need to accomplish that mission. We are called to be good stewards by using those gifts to do the work that He has planned for each of us. If we deny our gifts or fail to use them as God calls us to use them, then some part of His work will be left undone.



### Please Pray For

Judith Lewis, Doris Frei, Cathy Chukwuma, Antonette Rothecker,  
Charles & Anne Gelowitz, Marion Danyliw, Raymond Vermett,  
Beverly Ratch, Clarence Capletto, Roger Bertrand, Madeline Daley,  
Betty Woytuik, Lloyd Stan, Diana Chowanec,  
Angel Faith, Barney Ozembloski & Cheryl Bell



## Ask Father James:

### Jesus replied; woman; "It is not right to take the children's bread and toss it to the dogs" (Matthew 15:26). Was this a hate speech from Jesus?

This quotation was Jesus' response to a Canaanite woman who was dogging Jesus relentlessly to heal her demon-possessed daughter. It was a situation of what do you do with a pushy Canaanite woman who won't back off? Jesus tries to ignore her and even tells her that; "he was sent only to the lost sheep of Israel." Jesus' disciples urge him to send her away. But the woman will not take a snub for no. She advances toward him, kneels down in the traditional suppliant position, and begs, "Lord, help me." Jesus then tells her; "It is not right to take the children's bread and toss it to the dogs" (v.26); to which she relies; "Even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table."

Some people think that this was a seemingly cold, harsh and derogatory remark to the woman; and even some dog lovers take offense too. The feminists also consider this as subversive of marginalized women in Scripture. But instead of getting offended, the woman admitted that she was a dog that was only asking to eat the crumbs that fall from their master's table. And hearing her response, Jesus applauded her faith and granted her request. (Matthew 15:27-28).

To "not give the children's bread to the dogs" is not about Jesus being insulting a woman but it was about breaking an intergenerational curse that was placed on the Canaanites. This text is about lifting the curse -the intergenerational curse. In Genesis 9:25, Noah cursed Canaan. The punishment that was placed upon the descendants of Canaan (the Canaanites; Genesis 9:18-28) was what the woman begged Christ to cure her daughter from and also asked for the curse to be lifted from all descendants. Christ had repeatedly been silent about the woman's request but he reversed his position immediately after the woman showed great faith in Christ's power to reverse the curse.

Before this encounter with Jesus, to the first-century Jewish ears, the designation "Canaanite" would have had uniformly negative connotations. The Canaanites were living under the spell of intergenerational curse and were to be subservient to the other siblings. This explained why upon Israel's return from the Exodus in Egypt, they had to be dispossessed of their land in taking up residence in the Promised Land. They believed they are hated by God, and Israel is charged with their destruction (Deut. 20:17; cf. Num. 21:1-3; Josh. 17:18; Judg. 1:1-4). All interaction with them is forbidden, lest close association with them tempt Israel to abandon their covenant with the Lord (Exod. 23:32-33, 34:11-16; Deut. 7:2b-4; Ezra 9:1; cf. Judg. 2:1-3).

From this perspective, the fact that Jesus, when followed by a Canaanite woman shouting for him to heal her daughter, "did not answer her at all" (Matt. 15:23) demonstrates exactly the sort of behaviour one would expect from a pious Jew. Accepting the implied insult that she was like a dog, the Canaanite woman immediately agreed, "Yes, Lord; for the dogs also eat of the crumbs that fall from the table of masters." Jesus reversed himself, and acclaimed her faith. The Canaanite woman, though outside of the covenant, called Jesus Lord (kyrious) thus brought about repentance for her ancestral lineage by turning herself over to Jesus. The strength of her faith and intercession, believing that Jesus is Lord and has the power and his blessings shall overflow and give healing to her daughter and all Canaanites, living under the spell of the intergenerational curse. Jesus is deeply moved by the depth of that faith. "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish" (v. 28).

***Do you have a faith question? Email Father James: [frjowolagba@gmail.com](mailto:frjowolagba@gmail.com)***

#### **Recovering Together: Collection for Development & Peace (D&P) – August 29th & 30th**

As Canada begins to recover from COVID-19, those in the Global South are experiencing the worst of its impacts. The most vulnerable are at increased risk of poverty, hunger, conflict and human rights violations. On August 29-30th, parishes are invited to hold a special collection to help cope with the devastating impacts of the pandemic. Watch this [video](#) to learn more about the actions of D&P. Give online at [www.devp.org](http://www.devp.org), T:1.888.234.8533, by cheque to:1425 René-Lévesque Blvd W., 3rd Floor, Montreal, QC, H3G 1T7 Thank you for support and solidarity.

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August 20th

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Charity  
Does Not  
Justify  
Compromise

Pope St. Pius X

**Mass Readings, Feast Days, SOLEMNITIES, Saints Days & Intentions**

To request a Mass intention please call or email parish office.

<b>Mass Date &amp; Time</b> <i><u>SOLEMNITIES</u>, Feast Days &amp; Memorials</i>	<b>Readings</b>	<b>Mass Intentions</b>
<b>Monday, August 17 - NO MASS</b> <i>St Hyacinth</i>	Ezekiel 24.15-24 <i>If you wish to be perfect, sell what you have, and you will have treasure in heaven</i> Matthew 19.16-22	
<b>Tuesday, August 18 - 9:00 AM</b>	Ezekiel 28.1-10 <i>It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than a rich person to enter the kingdom of God</i> Matthew 19.23-30	<i>Nicole Brodner</i> By <i>Alphonse Sr. &amp; Valerie Brodner</i>
<b>Wednesday August 19 - 9:00 AM</b> <i>St John Eudes, Priest</i>	Ezekiel 34.1-11 <i>Are you envious because I am generous?</i> Matthew 20.1-16a	<i>Alphonse Jr. &amp; Yoko Brodner</i> By <i>Alphonse Sr. &amp; Valerie Brodner</i>
<b>Thursday, August 20 - 9:00 AM</b> <i>St Bernard, Doctor</i>	Ezekiel 36.23-28 <i>Invite everyone you find to the wedding feast</i> Matthew 22.1-14	<i>Joseph A Eckel</i> By <i>Yolanda Eckel</i>
<b>Friday, August 21 - 9:00 AM</b> <i>St Pius X, Pope</i>	Ezekiel 37.1-14 <i>Love the Lord your God, and you neighbour as yourself</i> Matthew 22.34-40	† <i>Mary Horvath</i> By <i>Yolanda Eckel</i>
<b>Saturday, August 22 - 5:00 PM</b> <i>Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	Ezekiel 43.1-7a <i>The scribes and Pharisees do not practice what they preach</i> Matthew 23.1-12	<i>Dr. Dave, Cathleen &amp; Dr. Amanda Devraj-healing from illness</i> By <i>Burlock Family</i>
21st Sunday of Ordinary Time <b>Sunday, August 23 - 9:00AM</b> <b>Sunday, August 23 - 11:00AM</b>	Isaiah 22.15, 1-23 <i>You are Peter, I will give you the keys of the Kingdom of heaven</i> Romans 11.33-36 Matthew 16.13-20	All Parishioners <i>Missa pro populo</i>

**BINGO'S BACK?**

**I'M SO HAPPY!**

**BINGO**

**BIG BINGO ANNOUNCEMENT**

The Parish Bingo Team will be offering new ways of helping—stay tuned for the big news in next week's bulletin!

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*will gather in joy and thanksgiving for the Ordination of*

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10:30 AM  
Saturday, August 15, 2020  
Holy Rosary Cathedral  
Livestreamed  
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**Knit & Chat**

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August 19th

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