



Focus on the Word

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B
Jeremiah 31.7-9; Hebrews 5.1-6; Mark 10.46-52

Almighty ever-living God, increase our faith, hope and charity, and make us love what you command, so that we may merit what you promise. Amen.

Parish week / Sunday, 24 Oct. 2021

Saturday, 23 Oct. / St. John of Capistrano, priest

- 8.00 am Mass: Int. Thanksgiving (Antony)
 11.30 am RCIC Baptism
 1.30 pm Memorial Mass: † Rosaria Oshinowo
 5.00 pm Mass: † Franz Xavier Kufer (Christa Hahn)

SUNDAY, 24 OCT. / 30-B

- Homilist: Fr. Edwin Galea
 - 2nd Collection: ShareLife, 3rd Offering Appeal
- 9.00 am Mass: Int. Thanksgiving (Lemos family)
 10.30 am Mass: † Agnes Diaz Tabora (Diaz family)
 - Presentation by Mr. Robert Noble
 12.00 pm Mass: † Jessie Colaco (Jennifer)
 7.00 pm Mass: Pro Populo

Monday, 25 Oct.

- 8.00 am Mass: † Dermont Fleming (Mary Faulkner)
 7.00 pm Mass: Int. Thanksgiving,
 80th Birthday of Cristeta Villanueva

Tuesday, 26 Oct.

- 8.00 am Mass: † Michael Woods (Alice Larkin)

Wednesday, 27 Oct.

- 8.00 am Mass: † Vince & Ricky Simone (family)

Thursday, 28 Oct. / Ss. Simon & Jude, apostles

- 8.00 am Mass: † Lalita D'Souza,
 2nd Anniversary of her death (Joseph)
 12.00 pm Funeral Mass: † Gerald Reardon

Friday, 29 Oct.

- 8.00 am Mass: † Randy Garcia (Vinah)
 1.00 pm Wedding: Kevin Turner & Rhea Fortuno

Saturday, 30 Oct.

- 8.00 am Mass: † Carmen Ramos (Xavier)
 10.00 am Memorial Mass: † Fely Sanchez
 12.00 pm Memorial Mass: † Henry Swietlik
 5.00 pm Mass: † Beatriz Remedios (family)

SUNDAY, 31 OCT. / 31-B

- Homilist: Fr. Elias Chachati
 - 2nd Collection: Maintenance
- 9.00 am Mass: † Lemos family
 10.30 am Mass: Int. Isabelle & † Mike Gracias (friends)
 12.00 pm Mass: Int. Fr. Elias (CWL)
 1.00 pm Catholic Women's League
 7.00 pm Mass: Pro Populo

Pray for the Deceased

Eduardo Concepcion

Noel Johnson

Catalina P. Manalili

Cynthia Maraya-Suico

The **130 victims** of the
prison gang violence in Ecuador



Visit of Mr. **Robert Noble**: 10.30 am Mass, 24 Oct.

Principal, ST. JOAN OF ARC CATHOLIC ACADEMY

St. Maria Goretti Parish is pleased to welcome Mr. Robert Noble to our Church at the 10.30 am Mass on Sunday, 24 October.

Mr. Noble is the Principal of St. Joan of Arc Catholic Academy. He will have information that would be of interest to parents to students nearing the end of their Elementary School studies.

United Nations: 76th Anniversary 24 October

The **United Nations** is an international organization founded on 24 October 1945 by 51 countries in order to maintain international peace and security; to develop friendly relations among nations; and to promote social progress, better living standards and human rights. See the website bulletin for more details.

24 October, ShareLife – 3rd Offering

On 24 October, the 2nd collection will be the Third Offering for our annual *ShareLife Appeal*, which raises funds for 33 Catholic agencies and 8 grant recipients, respecting the sanctity of all human life. This Offering was rescheduled due to the pandemic.

If you use one of the recycled envelopes marked “ShareLife,” remember to write your own Sunday envelope number on top.

COMING UP

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| 1 Nov, | Infant Baptism Parent/Godparent Meeting (7:40 pm) |
| 6 Nov. | Wedding: Bevilacqua – Keats (1:00 pm) |
| 7 Nov. | Infant Baptism (1.30 pm) |
| 14 Nov. | 2 nd Collection: Shepherds' Trust |
| 28 Nov. | 1st Sunday of Advent;
- 2 nd Collection: Maintenance |

Website stmariagoretti.archtoronto.org

We celebrate our Masses with a 127-person capacity limit, and all must wear a face mask. For more information on parish activities, including the Memorial Mass for HENRYK SWIETLIK on Saturday, 30 October, see page 4 in the website bulletin.

ShareLife 2021

Your gift will be matched!

The ongoing pandemic has made life even harder for those who are poor and marginalized. A couple that has supported *ShareLife* for many years felt so moved by this unprecedented crisis that they wanted to do more to help, and they are inviting **you** to join them.

For every dollar you give to *ShareLife*, **they will do the same**. From now through November 15, your gift will be matched, up to a total of \$750,000.

The needs are greater than ever. And now your gift will go even further towards making our communities more caring and compassionate.

24 October is the next *ShareLife* Sunday.

Please give generously during this special collection.

Thank you for supporting *ShareLife*!

Our Parish Goal

Our parish goal for 2021 is: \$ **41,000.00**

BY WAY OF COMPARISON:

1 liter of gasoline	\$	1.50
1 barrel of crude oil (158.978 liters)	\$	86.00
Swarovski crystal bath tub for your pet	\$	39,000.00
Hermes Birkin Ginza diamond handbag	\$	1,900,000.00

SPORTS CONTRACTS:

George Springer (<i>Blue Jays</i> , 2021-27)	\$	150,000,000.00
Lionel Messi (<i>FC Barcelona</i> , 2017-21)	\$	373,919,000.00

PERSONAL WEALTH (October 2021)

Mike Duffy	\$	15,700,000.00
Peter Gilgan	\$	3,500,000,000.00
Galen Weston	\$	8,300,000,000.00
Warren Buffett	\$	102,000,000,000.00
Bill Gates	\$	130,000,000,000.00
Elon Musk	\$	230,000,000,000.00

GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCTION (2021)

Burundi	\$	3,244,000,000.00
Sri Lanka	\$	84,532,000,000.00
Philippines	\$	402,000,000,000.00
Russia	\$	1,710,000,000,000.00
China	\$	16,642,000,000,000.00
USA	\$	22,675,000,000,000.00



4th Annual Parish Ministry Conference

With Burning Hearts

26-30 October 2021

Explore ways to become more vibrant Christians who know the faith and live it to the fullest.

Register online at:

www.archtoronto.org/conference

See website bulletin for more details.



Vaccination for Church Ministry

Vaccination status: Provincial guidelines now require that all **Clergy** and **Staff** submit their vaccination status to be retained confidentially at the Parish Office. Lay Ministers and Volunteers must also provide evidence of vaccination or weekly negative testing, with the exception of Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist, who must be vaccinated to continue their service. The Archdiocese will continue to provide direction as information becomes available.

Upcoming Weddings

Kevin Turner and Rhea Fortuno

29 October 2021, St. Maria Goretti Church

Ananth Mariathas and Darlene Pabitou

6 November 2021, St. Maria Goretti Church

Vittorio Bevilacqua and Sara Keats

6 November 2021, St. Maria Goretti Church

Chaitanya Moturi and Donita Mercado

20 November 2021, St. Maria Goretti Church



Flowers from the Wedding of Alfred Kattan and Julianna Valente.

1st Communion, Confirmation

Students in Grades 3 & 8, who should have received 1st HOLY COMMUNION and CONFIRMATION this past Easter Season, will have their appropriate Liturgies shortly.

The St. Maria Goretti School 1st Communion and Confirmation Masses will be scheduled as soon as they can be arranged.



ShareLife 2021

Double your impact on *ShareLife* Sunday

ShareLife Sunday is a special day for our parish, as we join together in support of those who are poor and marginalized. And we now have an opportunity to make an even greater difference with our donations.

From now through November 15, our gifts to *ShareLife* will be matched by a generous donor up to a total of \$750,000.00.

As you know, the ongoing pandemic has made life even harder for those who are poor and marginalized. A couple in the Archdiocese that has supported *ShareLife* for many years felt so moved by this unprecedented crisis that they wanted to do more to help. They recognized how many vulnerable people are relying on the lifesaving programs and services offered by *ShareLife* agencies. They want to ensure this vital work can continue – and are inviting us to join them.

Here's how: for every dollar you give to *ShareLife*, they will do the same. That's doubling your investment!

From today through November 15, your gifts will be matched up to a total of \$750,000. That will mean \$1.5 million in support of those in greatest need, thanks to our combined efforts.

How do you take part? Simply donate using the *ShareLife* envelopes in your pew, or give during the *ShareLife* Sunday special collection next weekend. You can also donate anytime at sharelife.org.

The needs are greater than ever. And now your donation will go even further towards making our community more caring and compassionate.

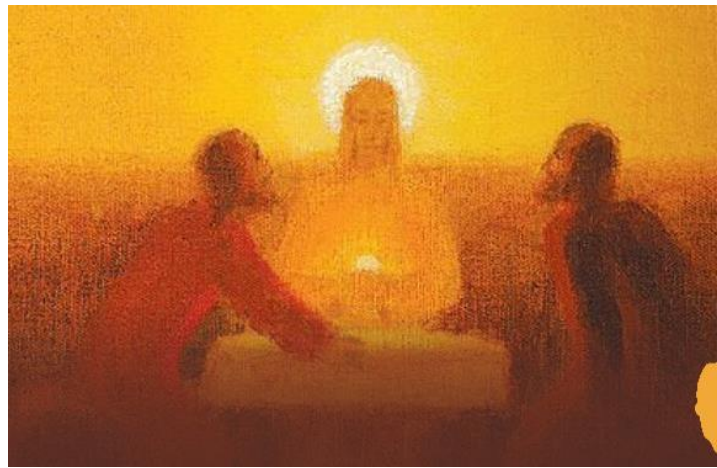
Please join us in this special opportunity to help our brothers and sisters in need.

24 October is the next *ShareLife* Sunday. Please give generously during this special collection.

Thank you for supporting *ShareLife*!

“Thank you to each and every person who showed solidarity with those who suffer by making a sacrificial gift.” – Cardinal Thomas Collins

Today is the final *ShareLife* Sunday of 2021. Please give generously.



4TH ANNUAL PARISH MINISTRY CONFERENCE

WITH BURNING HEARTS

OCTOBER 26-30, 2021

Explore ways to become more vibrant Christians who know the faith and live it to the fullest.

The account of the journey to Emmaus is one of accompaniment, recognition, and proclamation. The Risen Jesus walked with the two disciples, told them about Himself in the scriptures, and ate with them. *“They said to each other, ‘Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us...’”* (Luke 24:32) After they encountered Jesus, they went back quickly to tell the good news of Jesus to the others.

The new *Directory for Catechesis* asks us to do the same: to go out as those who ‘echo the faith,’ to engage with people of all ages and at all stages of life through our actions, giving witness to the Good News.

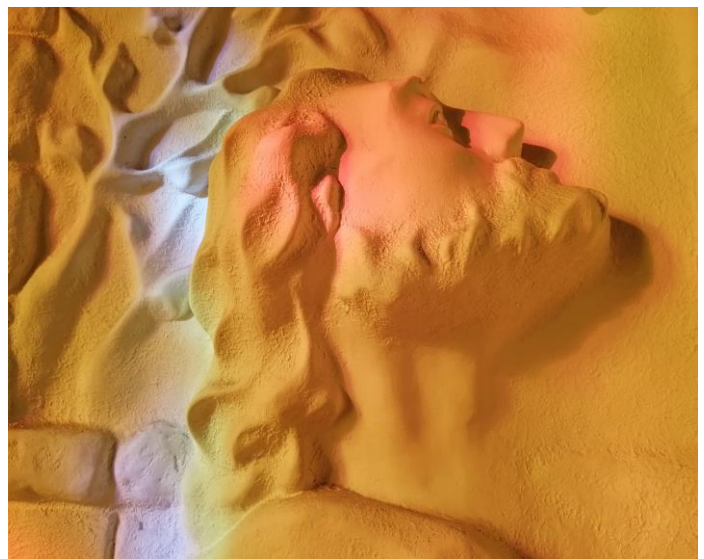
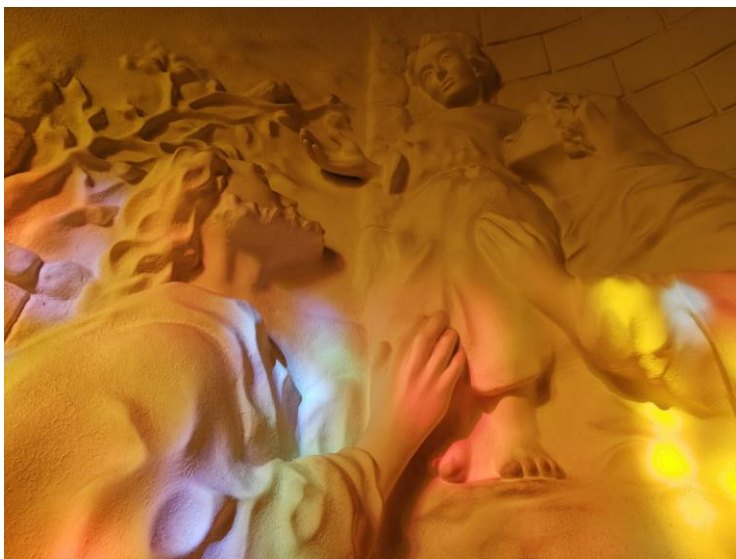
The 2021 Parish Ministry Conference is a virtual, interactive place where all in parish ministry can gather to pray, learn, and be refreshed in understanding how every parish ministry is catechetical, and how we might go forward in the pandemic and post-pandemic context. With two engaging keynote sessions and speakers in four practical sessions, we will explore ways to help parishioners become more vibrant Christians who know their faith and live it to the fullest. The conference will feature ongoing ministry formation, networking, and *Lectio Divina* with **Cardinal Thomas Collins**.

Henryk Swietlik

Born 19 January 1956, in Złotow, Poland

Died 17 August 2021 in Washington, D.C.

Memorial Mass in St. Maria Goretti Church:
12.00 pm, Saturday, 30 October 2021



The United Nations

As World War II was about to end in 1945, nations were in ruins, and the world wanted peace. Delegates of 50 countries gathered at the United Nations Conference on International Organization in San Francisco, CA, 25 April to 26 June 1945. For the next two months, they drafted and then sign the UN Charter, which created a new international organization, the United Nations, which, it was hoped, would prevent another world war like the one they had just lived through.

Four months after the San Francisco Conference ended, the United Nations Organization officially began to function, on **24 October 1945**, when it came into existence after its Charter had been ratified by China, France, the Soviet Union, the United Kingdom, the United States and by a majority of other signatories.

Now, more than 75 years later, the United Nations is still working to maintain international peace and security, give humanitarian assistance to those in need, protect human rights, and uphold international law.

At the same time, the United Nations is doing new work not envisioned for it in 1945 by the founding nations. The United Nations Member States have agreed to **climate action** to limit global warming. The United Nations is looking to the future, to new goals. The history of the United Nations is still being written.

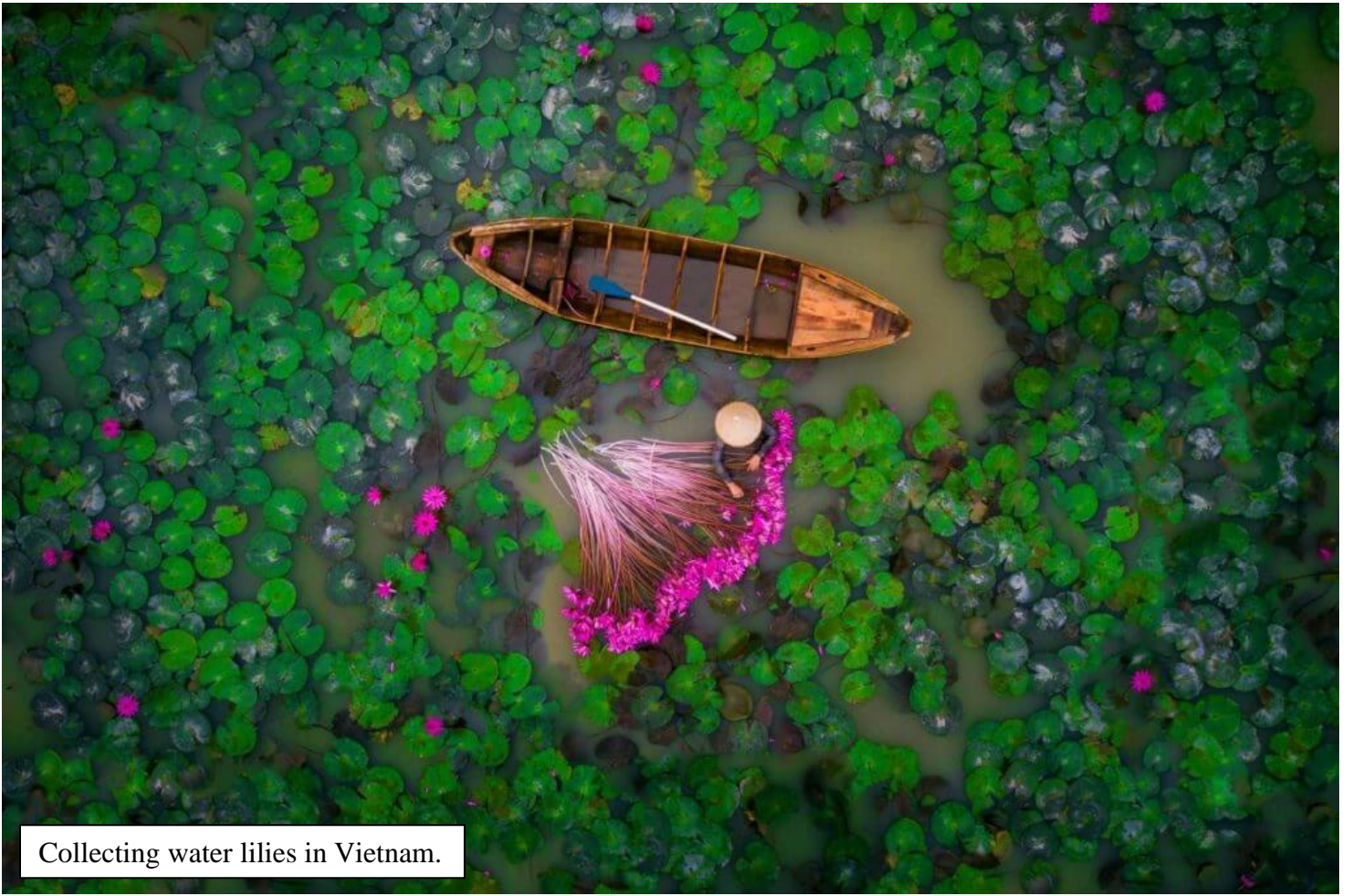


Above: Geneva offices. Below: General Assembly, New York.



Flags of the United Nations - Drapeaux des Nations Unies



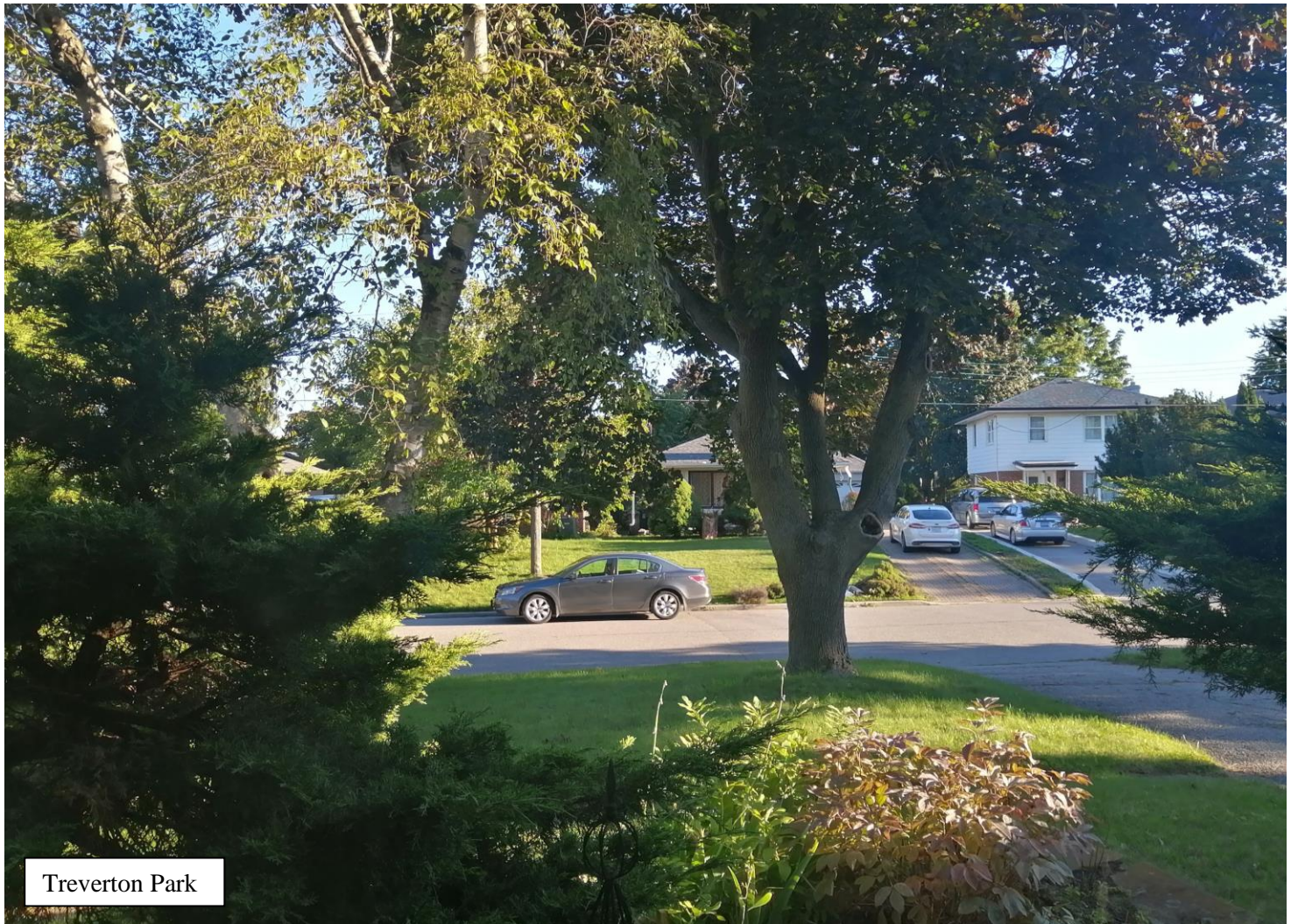


Collecting water lilies in Vietnam.



Orchids

Fort Boutlange, Netherlands



Treverton Park