

MASS TIMES

Saturday @ 5:00 pm

Sunday @ 10:30 am

(incl. Children's Liturgy)

Tues @ 7:00 pm (Rectory)

Wed @ 9:00 am & 7:00 pm

Thursday & Friday

@ 9:00 am

Adoration Fridays 9:30-11:30

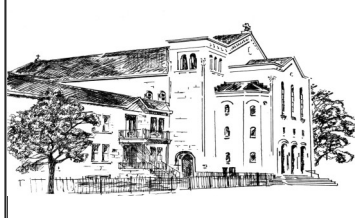
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August 16, 2015

20th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Announced Masses

Saturday August 15

Ramon Alfaro Caspe

Pastora Caspe

Rafel & Auria Allado

Consejo Comodero

Thanksgiving Mass

By Comodero Family

Sunday August 16

For the Families of Salinggawi

By Salinggawi

Lapello Family

By Carmen Lapello

For Favour Received

Shirley Reith

Tuesday August 18

† **Lilianne Wepruk**

By the Wepruk Family

PRO POPULO

Wednesday August 19

9:00 am **Lapello Family**

By Carmen Lapello

7:00 pm † **Cynthia Ordon**

By Oscar Ordon

Thursday August 20

† **James Austin**

By Gloria Lee

Friday August 21

† **Alice Barnes**

By Ann Parr

Saturday August 22

† **Alice Barnes**

By Adeline Doyle

Sunday August 23

† **James Austin**

By Evelyn and Arthur Gilchrist

The Lapello Family

By Carmen Lapello

Meditation: Why did Jesus offer himself as "food and drink"? The Jews were scandalized and the disciples were divided when Jesus said "*unless you eat my flesh and drink my blood, you have no life in you.*" What a hard saying, unless you understand who Jesus is and why he calls himself the *bread of life*. The miracle of the multiplication of the loaves (John 6:3-13), when Jesus said the blessing, broke and distributed the loaves through his disciples to feed the multitude, is a sign that prefigured the superabundance of the unique bread of the Eucharist, or Lord's Supper. The Gospel of John has no account of the Last Supper meal (just the foot washing ceremony and Jesus' farewell discourse). Instead, John quotes extensively from Jesus' teaching on the bread of life.

In the Old Covenant bread and wine were offered in a thanksgiving sacrifice as a sign of grateful acknowledgment to the Creator as the giver and sustainer of life. Melchizedek, who was both a priest and king (Genesis 14:18; Hebrews 7:1-4), offered a sacrifice of bread and wine. His offering prefigured the offering made by Jesus, our high priest and king (Hebrews 7:26; 9:11; 10:12). The remembrance of the manna in the wilderness recalled to the people of Israel that they live - not by earthly bread alone - but by the bread of the Word of God (Deuteronomy 8:3).

At the last supper when Jesus blessed the cup of wine, he gave it to his disciples saying, "*Drink of it, all of you, for this is my blood of the covenant, poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins*" (Matthew 26:28). Jesus was pointing to the sacrifice he was about to make on the cross, when he would shed his blood for us - thus pouring himself out and giving himself to us - as an atoning sacrifice for our sins and the sins of the world. His death on the cross fulfilled the sacrifice of the paschal (passover) lamb whose blood spared the Israelites from death in Egypt.

Paul the Apostle tells us that "Christ, our paschal lamb, has been sacrificed" (1 Corinthians 5:7). Paul echoes the words of John the Baptist who called Jesus the "*Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world*" (John 1:29). Jesus made himself an offering and sacrifice, a gift that was truly pleasing to the Father. He "*offered himself without blemish to God*" (Hebrews 9:14) and "*gave himself as a sacrifice to God*" (Ephesians 5:2).

Jesus chose the time of the Jewish Feast of Passover to fulfill what he had announced at Capernaum - giving his disciples his body and his blood as the true bread of heaven. Jesus' passing over to his Father by his death and resurrection - the new passover - is anticipated in the Last Supper and celebrated in the Eucharist or Lord's Supper, which fulfills the Jewish Passover and anticipates the final Passover of the church in the glory of God's kingdom. When the Lord Jesus commands his disciples to eat his flesh and drink his blood, he invites us to take his life into the very center of our being. That life which he offers is the very life of God himself. Do you hunger for the *bread of life*?

"Lord Jesus, you nourish and sustain us with your very own presence and life-giving word. You are the bread of life - the heavenly food that sustains us now and that produces everlasting life within us. May I always hunger for you and be satisfied in you alone."
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CONFESSIONS will be heard 15 minutes before each Mass ~ weekdays, as well as on weekends.

BAPTISM Parents wishing to have their child baptized are asked to contact the Parish Office at 514-769-9678. A meeting with Parents and Godparents is a pre-requisite. Godparents must be baptized and confirmed in the Catholic Church.

MARRIAGE Please contact the Parish Office or Father Gregory well in advance.

Pastor
Fr. Gregory Nunez

Board of Wardens

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Julian Paparella
Administration and PCL

**Let us pray for the
Immediate recovery of:**
Joe Brisindi and Dan
Boyer

Thank you:

Thank you to **Mike**
for all his work
around the parish!

Thank you to
**Arthur and Evelyn
Gilchrist** for
cleaning the church
and to **Arthur** for
the furniture pick-
ups!

Thank you to **Ruth
Laxina** for cleaning
the Rectory

Thank you to **all
those preparing for
PREX IV!!!**

THANK YOU!!!

ST. WILLIBRORD ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

UPCOMING EVENTS

PREX IV IS HERE

We had our first day of Retreat yesterday!

We have two remaining Saturdays:

August 22nd, and 29th!!!

PREX includes talks and sharing by fellow parishioners, music, meals, friendship, and fun. Pray about it!

We look forward to having you with us at our next one in September. Think about it.



On Sunday, September 13, 2015 we will have the Welcoming Mass and Annual Blessing of the children's school bags

We are planning on holding a healing Mass on September 20, 2015 In. Cameron Hall. In order for this to be a success, we would need volunteers to clean, set up, dismantle and clean again.

***THANK YOU TO JONAS BOLOFER & PEDRO
QUIOCHO FOR
RENOVATING THE SIDE
ENTRANCE TO THE RECTORY.***



**FAMILY POOL OUTINGS EVERY
FRIDAY OF SUMMER**

Parents, bring your kids Fridays throughout the summer for swimming at the Therrien Pool (LaSalle Blvd. and de l'Eglise, next to the Auditorium)!!! We'll meet at St. Willibrord's at 1:30 each Friday then arrive at Pool at approximately 2:00!

SEE YOU AT THE POOL!!!



First Friday Mass and Spirituality – NEXT SEPTEMBER!!!

Our next "First Friday Mass and Spirituality Talk" will take place on September 4/15! Johanne Patry will be having a TAIZE service, so we will be praying and singing. What a wonderful way to begin each month with our Lord. See you next month. We also have available at the rectory the Living Faith daily prayer booklet at a cost of \$2 to help nourish us.

Bible Study Thursdays with Father Gregory

This Thursday we continue our Bible Study with Father Gregory at 6:30 p.m. in the Rectory. Join us to learn more about Scripture!