

# Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 4th, 2018, 5:00PM

†John Doyle by Adeline Doyle

Sunday, August 5th, 2018, 10:30AM

†Escolastica Gonzales on her first death anniversary  
by the Austria and Gonzales family

Birthday Blessings for Yvonne Richard Wargachuk

Birthday Blessings for Maver Austria

by the Austria and Gonzales family

Birthday Blessings for Alfonso Reyes & Lilia Pardo by Enrique Reyes

Tuesday, August 7th, 2018, 7:00PM

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Wednesday, August 8th, 2018, 7:00PM

Birthday and Thanksgiving blessings for Nonong Comodero by the Comodero family..

Thursday, August 9th, 2018, 9:00AM

Anniversary Blessings for Flo and Richard Davies

Friday, August 10th, 2018, 9:00AM

†Francis Clement Dawson by Maureen Dawson and Family..

Saturday, August 11th, 2018, 5:00PM

†Souls in Purgatory by Adeline Doyle

Sunday, August 12th, 2018, 10:30AM

Anniversary Blessings for Fely and Pedro Quiocho

Birthday Blessings for Wenmar Comodero

An individual may ask a priest to offer a Mass for several reasons: for example, in thanksgiving, for the intentions of another person (such as on a birthday), or, as is most common, for the repose of the soul of someone who has died. One must never forget the infinite graces that flow from the Sacrifice of the Mass which benefit ones soul. Pope Leo XIII in his encyclical "*Mirae caritatis*" (1902) beautifully elaborated this point and emphasized the connection between the communion of saints with the Mass: "The grace of mutual love among the living, strengthened and increased by the sacrament of the Eucharist, flows, especially by virtue of the Sacrifice [of the Mass], to all who belong to the communion of saints. " —catholiceducation.org

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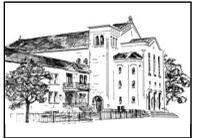
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## August 5, 2018—Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### "Lord, give us this bread always"

**Meditation:** Is there anything in this life that can truly satisfy our deepest hunger and longing? Many sought Jesus out because he offered them something no one else could give - bread from heaven from the very hand of God himself. When Jesus had performed the miracle of multiplying five loaves of bread and two fish to provide a refreshing and satisfying meal for more than 5000 people (see John 6:1-15), they wanted to make him their king - no doubt because they wanted more. When Jesus withdrew from the crowd and quietly returned to Capernaum to be with his twelve disciples, they ran to seek him there (John 6:24-25). Jesus met them with a probing question - are you looking for physical food that perishes or food that gives eternal life?

### *Jesus offers us the bread of heaven which produces spiritual life in us*

Do you hunger for the *bread of life*? The Jews had always regarded the manna in the wilderness as the *bread of God* (Psalm 78:24, Exodus 16:15). There was a strong Rabbinic belief that when the Messiah came he would give manna from heaven. This was the supreme work of Moses. Now the Jewish leaders were demanding that Jesus produce manna from heaven as proof to his claim to be the Messiah. Jesus responds by telling them that it was not Moses who gave the manna, but God. And the manna given to Moses and the people was not the real bread from heaven, but only a symbol of the bread to come.

Jesus makes the claim which only God can make: *I am the bread of life*. The bread which Jesus offers is none else than the very life of God. This is the true bread which can truly satisfy the hunger in our hearts. The manna from heaven prefigured the superabundance of the unique bread of the Eucharist or Lord's Supper which Jesus gave to his disciples on the eve of his sacrifice. The manna in the wilderness sustained the Israelites on their journey to the Promised Land. It could not produce eternal life for the Israelites.

### *Only Jesus can satisfy our deepest hunger for everlasting truth, life and love*

Jesus' question to the crowd, and to each one of us as well, echoes the words of the prophet Isaiah: "*Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy*" (Isaiah 55:2)? There are two fundamental types of hunger - physical and spiritual. Only the Lord Jesus can satisfy the deepest hunger in our heart - the hunger for everlasting truth, life, and love. Jesus alone can satisfy our hunger for truth - because in him alone is the Truth which is found in God. Jesus alone can satisfy our hunger for life - because he alone can give us abundant life - the supernatural life of God which transforms us now and lasts forever. Jesus alone can satisfy our deepest hunger for love - the love of God that knows no end, that never fails nor forsakes us, that outlasts sin and death. Jesus alone can satisfy the eternal hunger of our heart, mind, and spirit.

### *Doing the works of God*

Jesus spoke about the *works of God* and what we must do to be doing the *works of God*, namely to *believe in God's Son whom he has sent into the world*. The Lord Jesus offers a new relationship with God which issues in a new kind of life - a life of sacrificial love, selfless service, and the forgiveness of others which corresponds to God's mercy, goodness and loving kindness; a life of holiness, purity, and truth which corresponds to God's holiness; and a life of obedience and trust which corresponds to God's offer of abundant life, peace, and happiness. This is the work which Jesus directs us to and enables us to perform in the power of the Holy Spirit. Do you hunger for the bread which comes down from heaven and thirst for the words of everlasting life? —<http://dailyscripture.servantsoftheword.org/readings/2018/aug5.htm>

Pastor  
Fr. Gregory Nunez

Office Staff  
Anastasia Wargachuk  
*Administration*

Jun30-July 1, 2018—\$746.55  
Flea Market, July 2018—  
\$2,009.60  
July 7-8, 2018—\$885.30  
July 14-15, 2018—\$1,325.80  
July 21-22, 2018—\$616.50  
July 28-29, 2018—\$956.35

Mass Schedule

Saturday @ 5:00 pm

Sunday @ 10:30 am

(incl. Children's  
Liturgy)

Tues @ 7:00 pm (Rectory)

Wed @ 7:00 pm

Thursday & Friday (Rectory)

@ 9:00 am

Adoration Fridays

9:30am to 11:30am (Rectory)

**Please note the Mass, on  
Tuesday, Thursday and Fri-  
day will be held  
in the Rectory**

Anniversary and  
Birthday Blessings to

◇All celebrating this week  
Happy Birthday to Wenmar  
Comodero, Jolina Reginales and  
Maver Austria

Thank you to

◇Mike, Ann, Cora, Judith,  
and all who  
volunteer at the Church,  
the Rectory,  
◇the volunteers at the Flea Mar-  
ket, the vendors, the patrons and  
all who contributed to  
its success.

## History of St Willibrord's Parish... part 4....

A young altar server, one of about thirty who were active at that time, recalls how the curates picked up the slack when Father Stanford was ill and how so many from the pews came forward to help as the community pitched in to keep parish activities operating as always.

Following the loss of Father Stanford, the fifth St. Willibrord's Pastor sent by the Lord was the gifted, intellectual and deeply spiritual Father William Byrd. His ten years at St. Willibrord's were a challenge as the constant westward population movement began to diminish the Parish's numbers. Once again, the faith of the people shone through as the lay people of the parish, almost in anticipation of the days to come, pulled together to make up for the reduction in the number of the curates.

The Parish, though, maintained its vigor and again the community adjusted to the ever-changing demographics. When Father Byrd retired in 1963 due to ill health, Father George Thoms, ending a lengthy tenure at St. Gabriel's was appointed our Parish's sixth pastor.

Father Thoms was the first and, to date, the only Pastor of St. Willibrord's to have been born and schooled in the Parish. Father Thoms' decade of service was a demanding one, both for him as he battled health problems, and for the people, as many changes were being brought about by the reforms of Vatican II. Many in the community were disquieted by a church in transition. Still, that spirit took over and they soon set about to take on the challenges of greater responsibilities now given to the laity as a result of Vatican II. This responsibility took on a new dimension as Father Thoms' health worsened, forcing him to retire. Once again, the inherent spirit of St. Willibrord's rose up as the laity filled in until the seventh Pastor could be appointed..... *To be continued...*

<http://www.stwillibrordparish.org/history9.html>

## ST. WILLIBRORD ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

**MARRIAGE BANNS** ROBERTO LUIS GARABATOS son of HIPOLITO GARABATOS and WANDA JURAK GARABATOS and KERRY CARTY daughter of JAMES CARTY and ETHNA MCGEOWN, both of VERDUN, QC, their intent is to have their marriage ceremony celebrated, here, at St Willibrord Parish, on Aug 18, 2018, at 2:00PM

**Invitation to Community Social Gathering**

There will be a B.B.Q.-Social Gathering, sponsored by PREX, on Sunday, August 19, 2018 after the 10:30am mass. It will be a Potluck. The Church will be providing the chicken, pork and spaghetti)

So that we can plan ahead for the food and the number of people attending, ***we would ask you to please confirm your attendance and what food you would be willing to bring.***

If you can't bring any food, please come anyway, we would love to have your presence.

You may call the rectory to confirm your presence, etc. at 514-769-9678

Reminder... For one year, every evening, at 6:00PM, wherever we may be, as one community, praying for the intentions of our parishioners, let us pause for some moments and pray "3" Hail Mary's.

**Hail Mary**

Hail Mary, full of grace,  
the Lord is with you.

Blessed are you among women,  
and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus.

Holy Mary, Mother of God,

pray for us sinners,

now and at the hour of our death. Amen.



**Dates for Faith Formation and Formation for Lay People**

**Thursday Bible Study and Catholicism** Every Thursday, Bible Study at 6:30PM, in Rectory,

**Lectors, Lay Ministers Meeting and Choir Members:** On September 9, 2018, following the 10:30AM Mass on Sunday,

**Acolytes:** In the rectory, the following meeting will be on September 8, 2018, at 9:00AM.

**Faith in the family:** The next faith in the family to be announced at a later date

**Date(s) to Remember**

**Flea Market:** Saturday, September 8, 2018, 9:00AM to 3:00PM

**Mass in Cameron Hall:** Saturday, August 11, 2018, 5:00PM, followed by a light meal

**CONFESSIONS** will be heard 15 minutes before each Mass ~ weekdays, as well as on week-ends.

**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, as it is important to reserve the church before the Hall.