

Mass Intentions

A Reflection about Mass Intentions

Giving a "Mass Card" to the family of someone who has died is a traditional, practical, and consoling custom among Catholic people. Arranging to have a Mass offered for the repose of someone's soul respects the mystery of death and pays attention to the truth that we will all be judged by God, mercifully but justly, for what we have done and for what we have failed to do.

When we die, life is changed, not ended. Do you think that everyone is ready for immediate welcome into the kingdom of heaven? Perhaps some are, perhaps very few. Upon his death, who had more prayers and Masses offered for him than Pope John Paul II? We all have need for divine mercy, and we can benefit from the prayers of our friends. When we die, we will be fortunate and blessed if we have a Mass of Christian Burial and if we have people pray for us at other Masses in the months and years to come

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Saturday, February 9th, 2019, 5:00PM

† Souls in Purgatory by Adeline Doyle

Sunday, February 10th, 2019, 10:30AM

Thanksgiving and Blessings for Jory Trabajada by the Trabajada Family..

Birthday Blessings for Escolastica Gonzales and †Santos Gonzales
by Gonzales and Austria Family

†Jose Palma, † Teresita Palma, and †Melchor Palma by Dylan Corpuz

Thanksgiving Mass for Blessings received by Burcena Family

Tuesday, February 12th, 2019, 10:30AM

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Wednesday, February 13th, 2019, 7:00PM

†Wendy Walker by Betty Luyten-Friedman..

Thursday, February 14th, 2019, 9:00AM

Thanksgiving and Blessings for Jory Trabajada by the Trabajada Family..

Friday, February 15th, 2019, 9:00AM

Wedding Anniversary Blessings for Melina Pasal and Angelito Quioco by the Quioco family

Saturday, February 16th, 2019, 5:00PM

†Auckland Edwards by Bernadette & Lincoln

Sunday, February 17th, 2019, 10:30AM

† Gordon James by Virginia Feledick and Betty Luyten -Friedman

Death Anniversary of †Jesus Bulseco & †Emilia Bulseco by Burcena Family

Healing Mass for Maria Salceda by Carole Wepruk

Thanksgiving Mass for Blessings received by Burcena Family

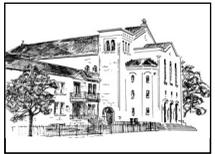
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February 10, 2019 — Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"You will catch people for the kingdom of God"

Meditation: Why did Jesus perform the miracle of the great catch of fish? No doubt the great crowd of people who had pressed upon Jesus had something to do with this miracle. They were very hungry for God and were eager to hear his word. Jesus wanted to use this occasion to teach his disciples an important lesson. Although Simon was wearied from a night of fruitless toil, he nonetheless did what the Lord Jesus told him to do: *At your word I will let down the nets*. When you meet disappointment and failure, do you press upon the Lord, like Simon, to hear his word and to receive his command?

God expects greater things than we can do by ourselves

This incident tells us an important truth about how God works in and through each of us for his glory. God expects of us greater things than we can do by ourselves. When we cooperate in *his* works, we accomplish far beyond what we can do on our own. Therese of Lisieux, a Carmelite nun who died of tuberculosis at the age of twenty-four, wrote to a friend: "Jesus has so incomprehensible a love for us that he wills that we have a share with him in the salvation of souls. He wills to do nothing without us. The Creator of the universe awaits the prayer of a poor little soul to save other souls redeemed like it at the price of all his Blood."

When God's word is spoken his kingdom is revealed and his power is released. When people respond to God's word with faith and obedience they are changed and made "a new creation" in Jesus Christ (2 Corinthians 5:17).

Witness the joy of the Gospel

God chooses ordinary people, like you and me, as his ambassadors and he uses the ordinary circumstances of our daily lives and work situations to draw others into his kingdom. Jesus speaks the same message to us today: we will "catch people" for the kingdom of God if we allow the light of Jesus Christ to shine through us. God wants others to see the light of Christ in us in the way we live, speak, and witness the joy of the Gospel. Paul the Apostle says, "*But thanks be to God, who in Christ Jesus always leads us in triumph, and through us spreads the fragrance of the knowledge of him everywhere. For we are the aroma of Christ to God among those who are being saved and among those who are perishing*" (2 Corinthians 2:15).

Do you witness to those around you the joy of the Gospel and do you pray for your neighbors, co-workers, and relatives that they may come to know the Lord Jesus Christ and grow in the knowledge of his love and truth?

<http://dailyscripture.servantsoftheword.org/readings/2019/feb10.htm>

Pastor
Fr. Gregory Nunez
Office Staff
Anastasia Wargachuk
Administration
January Flea Market—
\$2,193.00
Jan 19-20, 2019—
\$360.00
Jan 26-27, 2019—
\$821.60
February Flea Market—
\$2,045.00
Feb 2-3, 2018—
\$1,066.50

Mass Schedule
Saturday @ 5:00 pm
Sunday @ 10:30 am
(incl. Children's
Liturgy)
Tues @ 7:00 pm
(Rector)
Wed @ 7:00 pm
Thursday & Friday
(Rector)
@ 9:00 am
Adoration Fridays
9:30am to 11:30am
(Rector)
**Please note the Mass,
on Tuesday, Thursday
and Friday will be
held in the Rector**

Anniversary and
Birthday Blessings to
◇All who are celebrating
this week.
Happy Birthday to Jorge
Reginales, Guy Bougie,
and Virgil Rosal
Happy Anniversary to
Melina and
Angelito Quiocho

Thank you to
◇Mike, Ruth, Merly, Cora
and all the volunteers
who work at the Church,
in the Rector, in the
Soup Kitchen and at the
Flea Market.

What is Stewardship? Father Francis Hoffman The Catholic Answer

The Catechism of the Catholic Church uses the words “steward” and “stewardship” in several ways: No. 859, “[The Apostles are] ‘stewards of the mysteries of God’”; 893, “The bishop is the steward of the grace”; 952, “A Christian is a steward of the Lord’s goods”; 1117, “The Church . . . is the faithful steward of God’s mysteries”; 2238, “God has made [those in authority] stewards of his gifts”; 2280, “We are stewards, not owners, of the life God has entrusted to us”; and Nos. 373, 2042, 2404, 2417 and 2457 all deal with taking care of the planet as entrusted by God to man. Merriam-Webster defines stewardship as: “The careful and responsible management of something entrusted to one’s care.”

When it comes to stewardship, then, it would be wise for us to remember that no one is an absolute owner of anything, not even his or her own self. Everything we have in life comes from God, so everything is a blessing and everything is on loan. We are stewards of temporal realities: our time, our talent, and our treasure.

A simple rule of thumb could be helpful: the more you give, the happier you are; the more you serve, the holier you become.

In the Old Testament, the Israelites were commanded by God to tithe — that is, to give 10 percent of their earnings to God for the service of the Temple. I encourage all people to follow this blessed custom, and I encourage parents to train their children in the practice of tithing from a very young age. The reality is simple: you cannot out-give God. You cannot out-do God in generosity.

There are many inspiring stories of generosity in the New Testament: the young boy who gave everything he had (five loaves and two fishes), thereby jeopardizing his family’s welfare for the day. With that donation Jesus worked a grand miracle and fed thousands of hungry souls. At the end of the day, the boy went home with a hundred times more than he had given. Then there’s the story of the woman who had a jar of precious ointment, worth close to \$15,000 in today’s currency, and she splurged and used it all to anoint Jesus. The only one who complained was Judas.

When we give sacrificially, our joy increases and our freedom expands. The less you have, the fewer worries you experience. In fact, that’s the spirit of the Sermon on the Mount: Jesus teaches us to trust in God, not in mammon, and not to worry.

So when it comes to your time, try to give 10 percent of it to God directly each day. When it comes to treasure, try to give 10 percent of it to God each year. When it comes to talent, try to use at least 10 percent in the direct service of God and His holy Church. Above all, try to give 100 percent of yourself to God because everything we do can and should be for the glory of God. You will be very happy, very free and very blessed if you do so.

<https://www.osv.com/MyFaith/Stewardship/Article/TabId/689/ArtMID/13732/ArticleID/18066/What-is-Stewardship.aspx>

ST. WILLIBRORD ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

Collection Envelopes for 2019
Collection Envelopes are available at the back of the Church. **Please pickup your box.** If you are interested in receiving envelopes, please contact the rectory, or place your name, address and telephone number in the collection basket.

Weekly Offering - The weekly offering(collection) is to the parish what your paycheck is for your family. This is how the bills get paid:: utility bills, insurance, salaries, and all the other line items you see in the annual or quarterly financial reports. Envelopes are a great way to support your parish, keeping it open and able to continue to offer out-reach programs with the added benefit of receiving a tax receipt at the end of the year.

DATES FOR FAITH FORMATION AND FORMATION FOR LAY PEOPLE

Thursday Bible Study:
Will be held on Thursday, at 6:30PM, in Rector
Meeting for Lectors, Lay Ministers and Choir Members:
will be held on Sunday, February 10, 2019, following the 10:30AM Mass
and the next meeting will be on February 24, 2019

Choir Practice
will be held on Sunday, February 10, 2019, following the 10:30AM Mass
and the next meeting will be on February 24, 2019

Acolytes:
Meeting will be held in the rectory, on March 9, 2019, at 9:00AM.

Faith in the family:
The next faith in the family will be on February 10, 2019, at 9:00AM, in Cameron Hall
and the next meeting will be on February 24, 2019

DATE(S) TO REMEMBER

Flea Market:
Saturday, March 2, 2019, 9:00AM to 3:00PM

Mass in Cameron Hall
Saturday, March 9, 2019, 5:00PM, followed by a light meal

Zumba
The next Zumba class will be held on Sundays following the 10:30AM Mass. (approx. 12:00AM)
we will be gathering downstairs to exercise.

Volunteers
Thank you for expressing an interest in volunteering at St Willibrord’s Parish. We will be contacting you shortly to arrange meetings. If you have not given your name and contact information but wish to learn about the volunteering opportunities, please contact the rectory.

CONFESSIONS will be heard 15 minutes before each Mass weekdays and 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, as it is important to reserve the church before the Hall.