

Mass Intentions

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

Saturday, January 28th, 2017, 5:00PM

†**John Carley** By Adeline Doyle

Sunday, January 29th 2017, 10:30 AM

†**Yvette Marchand** by her children

Birthday Blessings for Jessica Quiocho By Melina Pasal and Angelito Quiocho

Tuesday, January 31st 2017, 7:00PM

Pro Populo

Wednesday, February 1st, 2017, 7:00PM

†**Maximo Jun Castillo, †Rogelio Bonete, †Bobby Bitara and †Raymond Rodriguez..** By The Bolofer Family

Thursday, February 2nd, 2017, 9:00AM

Death anniversary of Areliou Eguia & Eufemia Eguia By Mr & Mrs Dindo Doblado

Friday, February 3rd, 2017, 9:00AM

†**Teresita, Jose & Melchor Palma** By The Family

Saturday, February 4th, 2017, 5:00PM

†**Souls in Purgatory** By Adeline Doyle

†**Marie Briffett** By David Briffett

We pray for the healing and peace of all our sick,

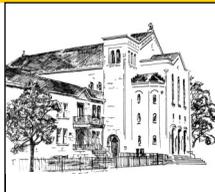
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January 29, 2017

The Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven"

Meditation: What is the good life which God intends for us? And how is it related with the ultimate end or purpose of life? Is it not our desire and longing for true *happiness*, which is none other than the complete good, the sum of all goods, leaving nothing more to be desired? Jesus addresses this question in his sermon on the mount. The heart of Jesus' message is that we can live a very happy life. The call to holiness, to be saints who joyfully pursue God's will for their lives, can be found in these eight beatitudes. Jesus' beatitudes sum up our calling or vocation - to live a life of the beatitudes. The word *beatitude* literally means "happiness" or "blessedness".

God gives us everything that leads to true happiness

What is the significance of Jesus' beatitudes, and why are they so central to his teaching? The beatitudes respond to the natural desire for happiness that God has placed in every heart. They teach us the final end to which God calls us, namely the coming of God's kingdom (Matthew 4:17), the vision of God (Matthew 5:8; 1 John 2:1), entering into the joy of the Lord (Matthew 25:21-23) and into his rest (Hebrews 4:7-11). Jesus' beatitudes also confront us with decisive choices concerning the life we pursue here on earth and the use we make of the goods he puts at our disposal.

Jesus' tells us that God alone can satisfy the deepest need and longing of our heart. Teresa of Avila's (1515-1582) prayer book contained a bookmark on which she wrote: *Let nothing disturb you, let nothing frighten you. All things pass - God never changes. Patience achieves all it strives for. Whoever has God lacks nothing - God alone suffices.* Is God enough for you? God offers us the greatest good possible - abundant life in Jesus Christ (John 10:10) and the promise of unending joy and happiness with God forever. Do you seek the *highest good*, the total good, which is above all else?

The beatitudes are a sign of contradiction to the world's way of happiness

The beatitudes which Jesus offers us are a sign of contradiction to the world's understanding of happiness and joy. How can one possibly find happiness in poverty, hunger, mourning, and persecution? Poverty of spirit finds ample room and joy in possessing God as the greatest treasure possible. Hunger of the spirit seeks nourishment and strength in God's word and Spirit. Sorrow and mourning over wasted life and sin leads to joyful freedom from the burden of guilt and spiritual oppression.

God reveals to the humble of heart the true source of abundant life and happiness. Jesus promises his disciples that the joys of heaven will more than compensate for the troubles and hardships they can expect in this world. Thomas Aquinas said: "*No one can live without joy. That is why a person deprived of spiritual joy goes after carnal pleasures.*" Do you know the happiness of hungering and thirsting for God alone?

"Lord Jesus, increase my hunger for you and show me the way that leads to everlasting peace and happiness.

May I desire you above all else and find perfect joy in doing your will."—copyright (c) 2017 Servants of the Word, source: www.dailyscripture.net, author [Don Schwager](#)

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

Pastor
Fr. Gregory Nunez
Office Staff
Anastasia Wargachuk
Administration

Flea Market, Jan 7, 2017—\$1,384.00
Jan 7-8, 2017—\$966.45
Jan 14-15, 2017 —\$952.85
Jan 21-22, 2017 —\$1,923.55

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 @ 9:00 am
Adoration Fridays 9:30am to 11:30am

Birthdays/Anniversaries Blessings to
◊all Parishioners who are celebrating this week.
◊Anniversary Blessings to Marilou and Nonong Comedero and to Beng & Jonas Bolofer

Thank you to
◊Mike and Ann who work for the rectory and the Church
◊Kyla, Lise, Christina and Sylvia for Children's Catechesis

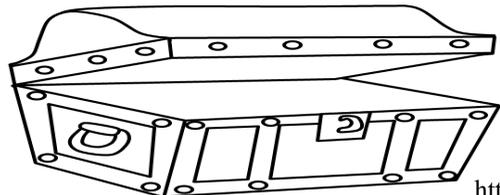
Thanks! To the person who has been making generous donations, thank you and God Bless you for your kindness.

Lost & Found: A ring was turned into the office. If you have lost your ring, please contact the rectory at 514-769-9678

The Sermon on the Mount
The Sermon on the Mount opens with the beatitudes—eight statements beginning with the word *blessed*. [1] This word affirms a state of blessing that already exists. Each beatitude declares that a group of people usually regarded as afflicted is actually blessed. Those blessed do not have to do anything to attain this blessing. Jesus simply declares that they have already been blessed. Thus the beatitudes are first of all declarations of God's grace. They are not conditions of salvation or roadmaps to earn entry to God's kingdom.
Those who belong to each blessed group experience God's grace because the kingdom of heaven has come near. Consider the second beatitude, "Blessed are those who mourn" ([Matt. 5:4](#)). People do not normally think of mourning as a blessing. It is a sorrow. But with the coming of the kingdom of heaven, mourning becomes a blessing because the mourners "will be comforted." The implication is that God himself will do the comforting. The affliction of mourning becomes the blessing of profound relationship with God. That is a blessing indeed!
Although the primary purpose of the beatitudes is to declare the blessings given by God's kingdom, most scholars also regard them as painting a picture of the character of that kingdom. [2] As we step into God's kingdom, we hope to become more like those named as blessed—more meek, more merciful, more hungry for righteousness, more apt to make peace, and so on. This gives the beatitudes a moral imperative. Later, when Jesus says, "Make disciples of all nations" ([Matt. 28:19](#)), the beatitudes describe the character these disciples are meant to take on.
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Sermon on the Mount Word Search

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ST. WILLIBRORD ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

Resurrection Angel Candidates
The bond between a mother and son is strong and unbreakable, and the first person a boy would turn to would be his mother. This bond/relationship between mother and son forms the bases of the belief of *Salubong* which is that the first person Jesus did visit upon his resurrection was the Blessed Mother.
The following candidates will be raising money for St Willibrord Parish by canvassing for sponsors which is 2\$ per ticket and the child who raises the most money will have the honor of lifting the veil of sorrows from Mary when Jesus first appears to her, **Jazlyn Rose Kawaling, Joe Anthony Luis Carrillo, Spencer William Fabia Poquiz, Jolina Sheloh Reginales, Jessica Jane Quiocho, Glyness Joy Tecson, Rex Alexander Ansagay, Vincent Fournier, Auraya Altares Low and Fredrick Kay Mananasala.**
This re-enactment of the meeting between Jesus and His Mother, the Blessed Virgin, will take place on Easter Sunday and it is a great honor for the child to be the angel who lifts the veil, enabling Mary to see Jesus, clearly for the first time since his crucifixion.

Salubong Souvenir Book
To commemorate this event, a Salubong souvenir booklet will be made available. This Souvenir booklet is a way in which we can fundraise and show our delight in the gifts and blessings that we have received, our family, our friends, our work, the committees and organizations for which we work...
If you would like to announce or advertise your company (work) or your achievements, please complete the advertisement form and present it to the rectory by the March 5, 2017. Pictures can, also, be submitted by email or brought in on a USB drive.
There will be a Special Donors Acknowledgement page for those who contribute \$10 or more
Tax receipts are available for donations over \$20.

Important dates to mark on your calendar!
Every Thursday: Bible Study at 6:30pm followed by **Catholicism** at 7:30pm
PREX (Parish Renewal Experience) January 27th, 28th & 29th, 2017
Flea Market: Saturday, February 4, 2017, 9:00am to 3:00pm
St Valentine's Dinner/Dance: Saturday, February 11, 2017, at 6:00PM, in Cameron Hall.
The suggested donation is 15\$ per ticket

Update the Parishioners list, Please confirm the correct spelling if your name and contact information by completing the small form and placing it in the collection basket.
If you know of any former parishioners who would like to receive the bulletins, updates or to be contacted by the parish, please contact the rectory at 514-769-9678.

Dates for faith formation and Formation for lay people
Faith in the family (incl Preparation for First Communion and Confirmation): Feb 5, 2017 at 9:00AM
Lectors: Feb 5, 2017, following the 10:30AM Mass, at the rectory
Acolytes: Feb 4, 2017, at 9:00 AM, at the rectory

PREX VIII Welcome to the parishioners of the Filipino Catholic Mission, who are here to journey with us as they participate in a Parish Renewal Experience. Keep them in your prayers
O, God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit, did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and ever enjoy His consolations, Through Christ Our Lord, Amen.