

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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July 19, 2015

16th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Announced Masses

Saturday July 18

† **Bill Coombs**

By Adrienne Coombs

† **Alice Barnes**

By Patricia & Allan Kennedy

Sunday July 19

† **Alan Wokes**

By Adrienne Coombs

† **Alice McCambridge**

By Dorothy Harper-Harrison
& Dan Boyer

† **Alice Barnes**

By Patricia & Allan Kennedy

**For the Intentions of the
Families of Salinggawi**

By Salinggawi

Tuesday July 21

PRO POPULO

Wednesday July 22

† **Alice McCambridge**

By Dorothy Harper-Harrison
& Dan Boyer

Thursday July 23

**For the Intentions of the
Families of Salinggawi**

By Salinggawi

Friday July 24

Saturday July 25

† **Iris Mason**

By Adrienne Coombs

Sunday July 26

† **Yves Lamontagne**

By Wepruk Family

† **Alice McCambridge**

By Beverly Fender

Meditation: What does the image of a shepherd tell us about God's care for us? Shepherding was one of the oldest of callings in Israel, even before farming, since the Chosen People had traveled from place to place, living in tents, and driving their flocks from one pasture to another. Looking after sheep was no easy calling. It required great skill and courage. Herds were often quite large, thousands or even ten thousands of sheep. The flocks spent a good part of the year in the open country. Watching over them required a great deal of attention and care.

Stray sheep must be brought back lest they die

Sheep who strayed from the flock had to be sought out and brought back by the shepherd. Since hyenas, jackals, wolves, and even bear were common and fed on sheep, the shepherds often had to do battle with these wild and dangerous beasts. A shepherd literally had to put his life on the line in defending his sheep. The sheep and their shepherds continually lived together. Their life was so intimately bound together that individual sheep, even when mixed with other flocks, could recognize the voice of their own shepherd and would come immediately when called by name.

God himself leads us like a good shepherd

The Old Testament often spoke of God as shepherd of his people, Israel. *The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want* (Psalm 23:1). *He will feed his flock like a shepherd, he will gather the lambs in his arms* (Isaiah 40:11). Jesus told his disciples that he was the Good Shepherd who was willing to lay down his life for his sheep (Matthew 18:12, Luke 15:4, John 10). When he saw the multitude of people in need of protection and care, he was moved to respond with compassionate concern.

Jesus is the Shepherd and Guardian of our souls

Peter the apostle called Jesus the *Shepherd and Guardian of our souls* (1 Peter 2:25). Do you know the peace and security of a life freely submitted to Jesus, the Good Shepherd? In the person of the Lord Jesus we see the unceasing vigilance and patience of God's love. In our battle against sin and evil, Jesus is ever ready to give us help, strength, and refuge. Do you trust in his grace and help at all times?

"Lord Jesus, you guard and protect us from all evil. Help me to stand firm in your word and to trust in your help in all circumstances. May I always find rest and refuge in the shelter of your presence."

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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.

ST. WILLIBRORD ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Fr. Gregory Nunez

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Marcellina Daniel
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Jonathan Trabajada

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Yvonne Pelling (mat. leave)
Administration
Terrel Joseph
Adult Faith Formation
Julian Paparella
Administration and PCL

Let us pray for the Immediate recovery of:

Joe Brisindi, Rosemary Fox, Dan Boyer, and Margaret Hall

UPCOMING EVENTS

PREX IV IS ON ITS WAY!!!

The organizing team is already meeting to plan our next PREX Retreat! Join us for our upcoming Parish Renewal Experience, happening on three consecutive Saturdays:

August 15th, 22nd, and 29th!!!

Don't miss out on this beautiful opportunity to be nourished in your faith and unite as a parish family.

PREX includes talks and sharing by fellow parishioners, music, meals, friendship, and fun. Pray about it! We look forward to having you with us!



IS JESUS GOD OR A LIAR???

This **Sunday, July 19th** immediately following the **10:30 Mass** Terrel will be leading us in an engaging discussion about whether Jesus is or a liar! What a question! There will be fun activities for children offered at the same time! **LUNCH TO FOLLOW.** See you there!

Thank you:

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

Thank you to **Evelyn Gilchrist** for cleaning the church!

Thank you to **Arthur Gilchrist** for his furniture pick-ups!

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

THANK YOU!!!

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!!!

Warmest wishes and birthday blessings to **STASI WARGACHUK!!!**

Thank you for all you do for the life of our parish!



First Friday Mass and Spirituality – starting August 7th!!!

Join us for our very first "First Friday Mass and Spirituality"! All parishioners are invited to join us for Mass at 7pm followed by a spiritual talk or meditation. A wonderful way to begin each month with our Lord. Join us Friday, August 7th at 7pm! Stay tuned for more details.

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!