

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 one's 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, July 29th, 2017, 5:00PM

†9th year Death Anniversary of Mr Wenifredo "Totoy" M. Hosana
By Nene Rissa, Julia, Jun and Hosana Family

Sunday, July 30th, 2017, 10:30AM

†9th year Death Anniversary of Mr Wenifredo "Totoy" M. Hosana
By Nene Rissa, Julia, Jun and Hosana Family
†Death Anniversary Prisca Odavar Apan By Cora A. Garlando
For the Intentions of Janis Carlin By Carole Wepruk
Birthday Blessings for Joe Brisindi

Tuesday, August 1st, 2017, 7:00PM

Pro Populo

Wednesday, August 2nd, 2017, 7:00PM

Healing and Peace for Cora Garlando..

Thursday, August 3rd, 2017, 9:00AM

† Precy Zoniga By Maria Garcia..

Friday, August 4th, 2017, 9:00AM

Thanksgiving Mass By Ruth & Alex Laxina..

Saturday, August 5th, 2017, 5:00PM

†John (Jack) Doyle By Adeline Doyle
For the Intentions of Nikki Cyr

Sunday, August 6th, 2017, 10:30AM

For the Intentions of Janis Carlin By Carole Wepruk

We pray for the healing and peace of all our sick

Flo Davies, Adeline Doyle, Adrienne Coombs, Sterling Smith, Joe Brisindi, Dan Boyer, Rita Riley, Beverly Fender, Marie-Paul, Rickie Walsh, Muriel Boutin, Joey Walsh, Johnny Palisoc, Myrna Bolofer Go, Jennifer Parsons, Carmen Al Fudhaili. Temperence Miriam Browning, Bernard Fournier, John & Wendy Keating, Peggy & Eddy Wargachuk, Carmen Lapello, Eddie Rodgers, Terry & Liz McHugh, Dale Flood, Isabel McKeever, Virginia Feledick, Charlene Poirier, Gordon Parsons.

God is with you always.

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July 30, 2017

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Meditation: What do you treasure the most and how do you keep it from being lost or stolen? In a peasant community the best safe was often the earth. The man in the parable (Matthew 13:44) "went in his joy" to sell everything. Why? Because he found a treasure worth possessing above all else he had. He did not, however, have enough to buy the treasure. Fortunately, he only needed enough to buy the field. In a similar fashion, God offers his kingdom of righteousness, peace, and joy (Romans 14:17) as incomparable treasure at a price we can afford! We can't pay the full price for the life which God gives us; but when we exchange our life for the life which God offers, we receive a treasure beyond compare.

Obtaining the greatest possible treasure

The pearl of great price also tells us a similar lesson. Pearls in the ancient world came to represent the supremely valuable. Jesus remarked that one should not cast pearls before swine (Matthew 7:6). Why would a merchant sell everything for a peerless pearl? No doubt because he was attracted to what he thought was the greatest treasure he could possess. Discovering God's kingdom is like stumbling across hidden treasure or finding the one pearl of great price.

When we discover the kingdom of God we receive the greatest possible treasure - the Lord himself. Selling all that we have to obtain this incomparable treasure could mean many things - our friends, job, our "style of life", what we do with our free time. Treasure has a special connection to the heart, the place of desire and longing, the place of will and focus. The thing we most set our heart on is our highest treasure. In this parable what does the treasure of the kingdom refer to? It certainly refers to the kingdom of God in all its aspects. But in a special way, the Lord himself is the treasure we seek for. *If the Almighty is your gold and your precious silver, then you will delight yourself in the Almighty* (Job 22:22- 23). Is the Lord the treasure and delight of your heart?

God draws us into his kingdom

What can a story of a dragnet and a great catch of fish tell us about God's kingdom? The two most common ways of fishing in Jesus' time was with a casting-net (or hand-net) which was thrown from the shore and the drag-net or trawl which was let down or cast into the waters from a boat. As the boat moved through the waters the drag-net was drawn into the shape of a great cone which indiscriminately took in all kinds of fish and flotsam and jetsam swept in its path. It usually took several men to haul such a net to shore.

What is Jesus' point here? Just as a drag-net catches every kind of fish in the sea, so the church acts as God's instrument for gathering in all who will come. Just as the drag-net does not or cannot discriminate, so the church does not discriminate between the good and the bad, the useless and the useful. God's kingdom is open to all who will accept and believe. But there will come a time of separation, at the *close of the age*, when the angels will send the good and the bad to their respective destinations. Our task is to gather in all who will come. God, in the end, will give the good (those who accept and follow Christ) and the bad (those who refuse Christ) the reward they deserve. God offers the treasure of his kingdom to all who believe in Christ. Do you hunger for God and for his kingdom of righteousness, peace, and joy? **Training for God's kingdom**

When Jesus had finished speaking about his parables, he turned to his disciples and asked them, "Have you understood all this?" (Matthew 13:52). Jesus asks us the same question. If we want to understand the meaning and significance of the parables for our daily lives, then we must reflect and think through what the Lord is saying to us through his instruction. The Holy Spirit is our guide and teacher who helps us to grow in understanding of God's word in the Scriptures.

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Anastasia Wargachuk
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June 24-25, 2017—
\$671.60
July 1-2, 2017—\$1,240.50
Flea Market July —
\$1,957.00
July 8-9, 2017—\$1,029.80
July 15-16, 2017—
\$867.70
July 22-23, 2017 —
\$701.65

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/Anniversary Blessings to
all Parishioners who are celebrating this week.
Happy Birthday to Kimberly Quiocho, Jolina Reginales and Valarie Gold

Thank You to
◊Mike, Merly, Ruth, Cora, Judith and Ann all the volunteer who worked in the work in the rectory, Church,

FRATERNAL LIFE IN COMMUNITY
"Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor"
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c) *From Church animated by charisms to the charismatic dimension of religious community*
Religious community is a living organism of fraternal communion, called to live as animated by the foundational charism. It is part of the organic communion of the whole Church, which is continuously enriched by the Spirit with a variety of ministries and charisms.
Those who enter into such communities must have the particular grace of a vocation. In practice, the members of a religious community are seen to be bound by *a common calling from God* in continuity with the *foundational charism*, by a characteristically common ecclesial consecration, and by a common response in sharing that "experience of the Spirit" lived and handed on by the founder and in his or her mission within the Church.(5)
The Church also wishes to receive with gratitude "the more simple and widely diffused" charisms (6) which God distributes among her members for the good of the entire Body. Religious community exists for the Church, to signify her and enrich her,(7) to render her better able to carry out her mission.
d) *From Church as Sacrament of unity to the apostolic dimension of religious community*
The purpose of apostolate is to bring humanity back to union with God and to unity among itself, through divine charity. Fraternal life in common, as an expression of the union effected by God's love, in addition to being an essential witness for evangelization, has great significance for apostolic activity and for its ultimate purpose. It is from this that the fraternal communion of religious community derives its vigour as sign and instrument. In fact, fraternal communion is at both the beginning and the end of apostolate.
The Magisterium, since the time of the Council, has deepened and enriched the renewed vision of religious community with fresh insights.(8)
Canonical development
3. The Code of Canon Law (1983) specifies and defines the Council's determinations concerning community life.
When it speaks of "common life", it is necessary to distinguish clearly two aspects.
While the 1917 Code(9) could have given the impression of concentrating on exterior elements and uniformity of life-style, Vatican II(10) and the new Code(11) insist explicitly on the spiritual dimension and on the bond of fraternity which must unite all members in charity. The new Code has synthesised these two elements in speaking of "living a fraternal life in common".(12)
Thus, in community life, two elements of union and of unity among the members can be distinguished:

- one, the more spiritual: "fraternity" or "fraternal communion", which arises from hearts animated by charity. It underlines "communion of life" and interpersonal relationships; (13)
- the other, more visible: "life in common" or "community life", which consists of "living in one's own lawfully constituted religious house" and in "leading a common life" through fidelity to the same norms, taking part in common acts, and collaboration in common services.(14)
All of this is lived "in their own special manner"(15) in the various communities, according to the charism and proper law of the institute.(16) From this arises the importance of proper law which must apply to community life the patrimony of every institute and the means for doing this.(17)
It is clear that "fraternal life" will not automatically be achieved by observance of the norms which regulate common life; but it is evident that common life is designed to favour fraternal life greatly.

It can be found at http://www.vatican.va/roman_curia/congregations/ccsrlife/documents/

ST. WILLIBRORD ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

St Willibrord Parish Mission Statement

That we be a people who desire to grow: in our understanding of the Church, in our love for Christ, in our love of & service to our sisters and brothers. That we nurture diversities, give people the opportunity to discover Gospel values in everyday life. That we be a Church where all feel welcome to participate at their own will.

Dates for faith formation and Formation for lay people

Faith in the family: The next faith in the family will resume on Sunday, November 5, 2017, at 9:00AM
Lectors Meeting: To be determined, please contact Stasi with your availability to meet.
Acolytes: The next meeting will be on August 12, 2017

Dates to Remember

Thursday Bible Study and Catholicism Every Thursday, Bible Study at 6:30PM, in Rectory, followed by Catholicism 7:15PM
Bible Study: Every Saturday, at 4:00pm and Every Sunday, Session 1 at 9:30am, Session 2 at 12:00pm (following the 10:30am Mass)
If you are interested in attending a particular session, please speak with either Carole or Stasi.
Flea Market: Saturday, August 5, 2017, 9:00AM to 3:00PM
Healing Mass: Sunday August 20, 2017, 10:30AM in Cameron Hall, followed by a light lunch.
PREX 9: will be held on Sept 29, 30 and Oct 1, 2017, for more information, or to register, please contact the rectory or speak with Carole or Stasi.



Healing Mass Sunday, August 20, 2017, 10:30AM, in Cameron Hall (church basement)

It is important to know that *...All masses are healing masses, for God wants to heal you through the powerful sacrament of the Eucharist. It is His gift to the Church*; but several times a year we have a Mass celebrated in the basement of the Church in order to allow all to participate, even parishioners with limited mobility or are unable to climb the stairs, can attend. A light lunch will follow the mass. If you are interested in attending this Mass and need transportation, please call the rectory. If you have a vehicle and are able to transport a parishioner, please contact the rectory at 514-769-9678.

Donation for Food Bank

The food bank is in need of nonperishable foods such as canned goods: soup, tuna, canned meat, spaghetti sauce, beans, and pasta, cereal, peanut butter...etc.
For your convenience, there is a basket placed at the back of the Church where the donation can be placed.



Do you have any questions about your faith and are looking for answers?

Ask Father...
Papers have been placed at the back of the Church for you to ask the questions that you have always wanted to ask, concerning the Church and your faith. The answers will appear in subsequent bulletins. A blue box has been placed at the back of the Church to collect your questions. Please continue to write down your questions and they will all be answered. Keep your questions coming.

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.