

MASS TIMES

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-11:30am

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June 12, 2016

Eleventh Sunday In Ordinary Time

Announced Masses

Saturday June 11th

†**Marites Bulseco Quibol**

†**Roy Chamberlain** By Roger, Kim & Noah Chamberlain

†**Leonard Burke** By Roger, Kim & Noah Chamberlain

For courage for Arthur & Evelyn Gilchrist & their family

By Susan Charlebois

Sunday June 12th

†**Benita Meirelles**

By Francisco Meirelles

†**Stephen Antenucci**

By Beverly Fender

Int of Francisco Meirelles

†**Mrs Eileen Ressler Goldman**

By Aida Baldesco

Tuesday June 14th

Pro Populo

Wednesday, June 15th

†**Stephen Antenucci**

By Beverly Fender

Thursday, June 16th

†**Georgette Durcharme**

By Delia Lopez

Friday, June 17th

†**Benita Meirelles**

By Francisco Meirelles

Saturday, June 18th

†**Jacob Friedman**

By Betty Luyten-Friedman

†**Marites Bulseco Quibol**

56th Wedding Anniversary for Evelyn & Arthur Gilchrist Sr

"Which will love him more?"

Meditation: What fuels the love that surpasses all other loves? Unbounding gratitude for sure! No one who met Jesus could do so with indifference. They were either attracted to him or repelled by him. Why did a Pharisee invite Jesus to his house for dinner and then treat him discourteously by neglecting to give him the customary signs of respect and honor? [This account has some similarities to the account of Simon the leper in Matthew 26:6-13 and Mark 14:3, as well as the account in John 12:1-8.] Simon was very likely a collector of celebrities. He patronized Jesus because of his popularity with the crowds. Why did he criticize Jesus' compassionate treatment of a woman of ill repute - most likely a prostitute? The Pharisees shunned the company of public sinners and in so doing they neglected to give them the help they needed to find healing and wholeness.

The power of extravagant love and gratitude

Why did a woman with a bad reputation approach Jesus and anoint him with her tears and costly perfume at the risk of ridicule and abuse by others? The woman's action was motivated by one thing, and one thing only, namely, her love for Jesus - she loved greatly out of gratitude for the kindness and forgiveness she had received from Jesus. She did something a Jewish woman would never do in public. She loosened her hair and anointed Jesus with her tears. It was customary for a woman on her wedding day to bind her hair. For a married woman to loosen her hair in public was a sign of grave immodesty. This woman was oblivious to all around her, except for Jesus.

Love gives all - the best we have

She also did something which only love can do. She took the most precious thing she had and spent it all on Jesus. Her love was not calculated but extravagant. In a spirit of humility and heart-felt repentance, she lavishly served the one who showed her the mercy and kindness of God. Jesus, in his customary fashion, never lost the opportunity to draw a lesson from such a deed.

The debt of gratitude for mercy and forgiveness

Why did Jesus put the parable of the two debtors before his learned host, a religious Jew who was well versed in the Jewish Scriptures and who would have rigorously followed the letter of the Law of Moses? This parable is similar to the parable of the unforgiving official (see Matthew 18:23-35) in which the man who was forgiven much showed himself merciless and unforgiving. Jesus makes clear that great love springs from a heart forgiven and cleansed. Peter the Apostle tells us that "love covers a multitude of sins" (1 Peter 4:8). It was love that motivated the Father in heaven to send his only begotten Son, the Lord Jesus, to offer up his life on the cross as the atoning sacrifice for our sins. The woman's lavish expression of love was an offering of gratitude for the great forgiveness, kindness, and mercy Jesus had shown to her.

The stark contrast of attitudes between Simon and the woman of ill-repute demonstrates how we can either accept or reject God's mercy and forgiveness. Simon, who regarded himself as an upright Pharisee, did not feel any particular need for pardon and mercy. His self-sufficiency kept him from acknowledging his need for God's grace - his gracious gift of favor, help, and mercy. Are you grateful for God's mercy and pardon? -rc.net

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

Pastor

Fr. Gregory Nunez
Office Staff
Anastasia Wargachuk
Administration

Flea Mkt May 7, 2016
\$2,728.25
May 7-8, 2016—\$1,132.35
May 14-15, 2016—\$1,090.95
May 28-29, 2016
Flea Mkt June 4, 2016—
\$1,971.50
June 4-5, 2016—\$1,324.70

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, Marie-Paul, Rickie Walsh, Muriel Boutin, and Joey Walsh. God is with you always.



BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS

Birthday Blessings to Yvonne Wargachuk, Susana Navarro
Anniversary Blessing to Arthur and Evelyn Gilchrist

Birthday and Anniversary Blessings for All Parishioners who are Celebrating a Birthday or Anniversary this week.

THANK YOU
To Mike, Carole and Ruth for cleaning the Church.

Catechism

I. The life of man - to know and love God

1 God, infinitely perfect and blessed in himself, in a plan of sheer goodness freely created man to make him share in his own blessed life. For this reason, at every time and in every place, God draws close to man. He calls man to seek him, to know him, to love him with all his strength. He calls together all men, scattered and divided by sin, into the unity of his family, the Church. To accomplish this, when the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son as Redeemer and Saviour. In his Son and through him, he invites men to become, in the Holy Spirit, his adopted children and thus heirs of his blessed life.

2 So that this call should resound throughout the world, Christ sent forth the apostles he had chosen, commissioning them to proclaim the gospel: "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, to the close of the age."⁴ Strengthened by this mission, the apostles "went forth and preached everywhere, while the Lord worked with them and confirmed the message by the signs that attended it."⁵

3 Those who with God's help have welcomed Christ's call and freely responded to it are urged on by love of Christ to proclaim the Good News everywhere in the world. This treasure, received from the apostles, has been faithfully guarded by their successors. All Christ's faithful are called to hand it on from generation to generation, by professing the faith, by living it in fraternal sharing, and by celebrating it in liturgy and prayer.⁶



Parish Renewal Experience!! PREX!

An Invitation to reconnect with God and with each other, to renew our faith and to share the Good News, celebrating in liturgy and prayer.

The dates for the next PREX Retreat is June 17(evening), 18(day) and 19(day), 2016
All parishioners are invited to attend and all PREX graduates are requested to continue their faith and spiritual journey as they accompany the new PREX participants. To register or to pick up an information pamphlet, please stop by the rectory or speak with Angela or Joseph.

Dates to Remember!

Every Thursday: Bible Study, at 6:30pm followed by Symbolon at 7:30pm

First Friday Spirituality Talk: there will be no spirituality talk in July.

Parish Recollection: Saturday, July 9th, 2016, from 9:00am to 12:00pm

Flea Market : Saturday, July 2nd, 2016, from 9:00am to 3:00pm

Bible Camp: Monday, June 27, 2016 through Thursday, June 30,

Healing Mass: July 10, 2016, at 10:30am, Fr Joseph Cameron will be presiding at the Healing Mass which is to take place in Cameron Hall



BAZAAR 2016—Raffle Tickets!

We are pleased to announce that this year's Annual Bazaar will be held **Friday, October 21st** and **Saturday, October 22nd**. The raffle tickets have arrived and will be made available after Mass. We invite you to pick some up some tickets to buy or sell. We need your support to ensure the success of this fundraiser; the proceeds will be used to help feed the people in need.

WARDENS ELECTIONS In the coming weeks Saint Willibrord's Parish will be organizing elections for our Wardens. Wardens are the financial overseers of the Parish. If you are interested in serving Saint Willibrord's as a Warden, please contact Father Gregory or the Parish Office.

Bible Camp 2016: Mon, June 27, 2016 to Thurs June 30, 2016

A week of activities for kids aged 6 and up to connect with our Church, to learn more about our faith and to have fun. Camp builds memories and plants seeds of faith in little hearts! The camp runs from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., includes lunch and snacks and activities. We are asking for a contribution of \$40 per child to cover some of the costs. Parents are asked to fill out a registration form with their deposit of \$20 per family. More info: Christina Parsons: christinaparsons1@yahoo.com or 514-949-9183.