

Mass Intentions

Saturday, June 23rd, 2018, 5:00PM

†Felomina Rebujo Cancio by Jocelyne & Oscar Ordon
Blessings for Timothy Joseph Ordon by Jocelyne & Oscar Ordon

Sunday, June 24th, 2018, 10:30AM

†Dorothy Ormsby by Lorraine Molloy
†Ernesto Bolofer Sr and Juana Bolofer by Jonas Bolofer and family
Thanksgiving Blessings for the Comodero Family
Thanksgiving Blessings for St Willibrord's, for warmly welcoming us
into the community by Linda Goodfellow and Yves Boileau

Tuesday, June 26th, 2018, 7:00PM

Pro Populo

Wednesday, June 27th, 2018, 7:00PM

†Edarda Serrano by Maria Garcia..

Thursday, June 28th, 2018, 9:00AM

Birthday Blessings for Jesse James Quioco

Friday, June 29th, 2018, 9:00AM

†Ruben Nartea by Jocelyne & Oscar Ordon..

Saturday, June 30th, 2018, 5:00PM

Blessings for Kelly Cortez by Flora Lim and Family..

Sunday, July 1st, 2018, 10:30AM

Birthday Blessings for Beng Bolofer

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

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June 24, 2018—Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"The hand of the Lord was with him"

Meditation: Birthdays are a special time to remember and give thanks for the blessings that have come our way. Are you grateful for the ways that God has worked in your life, even from your birth? In many churches of the East and West the birth of John the Baptist is remembered on this day. The friends of Zechariah and Elizabeth marveled at the wonderful way in which God blessed them with a child. This child was destined by God for an important mission. The last verses in the last book of the Old Testament, taken from the prophet Malachi, speak of the Lord's messenger, the prophet Elijah who will return to "turn the hearts of fathers to their children and the hearts of children to their fathers" (Malachi 4:6).

Birth and mission of John the Baptist

We see the beginning of the fulfillment of this word when the Angel Gabriel announced to Zechariah the marvelous birth and mission of John the Baptist (Luke 1:17). When this newly born child was about to be named, as customary on the eighth day, his relatives quibbled over what name to give him. (Don't relatives today often do the same when the time comes for naming a newborn?) This child, however has been named from above! And Elizabeth is firm in her faith and determined to see that God be glorified through this child. The name John means "the Lord is gracious". In the birth of John and in the birth of Jesus the Messiah we see the grace of God breaking forth into a world broken by sin and without hope. John's miraculous birth shows the mercy and favor of God in preparing his people for the coming of their Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

John the Baptist's life was fueled by one burning passion - to point others to Jesus Christ and to the coming of God's kingdom. Scripture tells us that John was filled with the Holy Spirit even from his mother's womb (Luke 1:15, 41) by Christ himself, whom Mary had just conceived by the Holy Spirit. When Mary visited her cousin Elizabeth, John leapt in the womb of Elizabeth as they were filled with the Holy Spirit (Luke 1:41). The fire of the Spirit dwelt in John and made him the forerunner of the coming Messiah. John was led by the Spirit into the wilderness prior to his ministry where he was tested and grew in the word of God. John's clothing was reminiscent of the prophet Elijah (see Kings 1:8).

John broke the prophetic silence of the previous centuries when he began to speak the word of God to the people of Israel. His message was similar to the message of the Old Testament prophets who chided the people of God for their unfaithfulness and who tried to awaken true repentance in them. Among a people unconcerned with the things of God, it was his work to awaken their interest, unsettle them from their complacency, and arouse in them enough good will to recognize and receive Christ when he came.

God's gracious gift to us

What is the significance of John the Baptist and his message for our lives? When God acts to save us he graciously fills us with his Holy Spirit and makes our faith come "alive" to his promises. Each and every day the Lord is ready to renew us in faith, hope, and love. Like John the Baptist, the Lord invites each of us to make our life a free-will offering to God. God wants to fill us with his glory all the days of our lives, from birth through death. Renew the offering of your life to God and give him thanks for his mercy and favor towards you

<http://dailyscripture.servantsoftheword.org/readings/2018/jun24.htm>

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Fr. Gregory Nunez

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June 16-17, 2018—
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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 Rectory**

Anniversary and
Birthday Blessings to

◇All celebrating this week
Happy Birthday to Dorothy
Harper-Harrison

Happy Anniversary to Flo
& Richard Davis and Fely
& Pedro Quiucho

Thank you to

◇Bev, Mike, Judith, Ann,
Cora, Ruth, Jorge, Shiela,
Sandy, and all who volun-
teer at the Church, the
Rectory,

◇the numerous people
attended the gathering last
night

◇all that brought something
to share at the gathering
last night

Saint Willibrord



Saint Willibrord

(c. 658 - November 7, 739) was a Northumbrian missionary, known as the "Apostle to the Frisians" in the modern Netherlands. He became the first Bishop of Utrecht and died at Echternach, Luxembourg.

A disciple of St. Wilfrid, he was sent to the Abbey of Ripon almost as soon as he was weaned. Later he joined the Benedictines. He spent the years between the ages of 20 and 32 in the Abbey of Rathmelsigi which was a center of European learning in the 7th century. During this time he studied under Saint Egbert, who sent him and twelve companions to Christianize the pagan North Germanic tribes of Frisia, at the request of Pepin, Christian king of the Franks and nominal suzerain over that region. At the request of Pepin he traveled twice to Rome, finally being consecrated Bishop of the Frisians in the Church of St. Cecilia. It was November 21, 695 and he was given the name of Clement. He was also given the pallium by the pope. He returned to Frisia to preach and to build numerous churches, among them a monastery at Utrecht, where he established his cathedral and is counted the first Bishop of Utrecht. In 698 he established an abbey at a Roman villa of Echternach, in Luxemburg near Trier, which was presented to him by Irmina, daughter of Dagobert II, king of the Franks.

His frequent visits to the Abbey of Echternach resulted in his being interred there after his passing, and he was quickly judged to be a saint. His feast is celebrated on November 7 outside England, but on November 29 in England, by order of Pope Leo XIII.

Numerous miracles and relics have been attributed to him, and in one particularly memorable moment, the transport of his relics was celebrated thus "the Five bishops in full pontificals assisted; engaged in the dance were 2 Swiss guards, 16 standard-bearers, 3045 singers, 136 priests, 426 musicians, 15,085 dancers, and 2032 players".

<http://stwillibrordparish.org/stwillibrord.html>

St Willibrord's Parish Member Engagement Survey. July 6, 2018, from 6:30pm to 8:30pm We will be meeting with Terrel Joseph, from the Pillars Trust Foundation, to discuss the results of the survey, what it means and where we go from here.

Donations for Bible Camp 2018

The dates for the Bible Camp are June 26 to 29, 2018, 9:00AM to 3:00PM. If you would like to make a donation of either food or money, it would be greatly appreciated. All cash donations, over \$20, are eligible for a tax receipt. If you are interested in donating food, it can be brought to the Church during Mass this weekend and brought up with the offertory or it can be brought to the rectory during the camp hours. Some suggested items are bottles of water, cookies, fruit, juice, string cheese, etc... for more questions, please call the rectory, at 514-769-9678.

ST. WILLIBRORD ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

MARRIAGE BANNS of CORY JASON MCDAVID, son of Brian McDavid and Patricia McDavid (Flynn) and CHRISTINA VICTORIA BLANCH, daughter of Martin Blanch and Lucy Blanch (Cioccio), both of Verdun, QC, announce that their intention is to be married, at ST WILLIBRORD'S PARISH, 351 WILLIBRORD AVENUE, VERDUN, H4G2T7 on JUNE 30, 2018, AT 1:00PM

A BLESSING BEFORE SUMMER VACATIONS

Take time to claim your strength; they are gifts of God.

Take time to have fun; it's God's way of teaching you your strengths.

Take time to grow yourself; only you can grow you.

Take time to trust yourself; God trusts you.

Take time to be self-reliant; it is better than being dependent.

Take time to share with others; they will bless you, and you will bless them.

Take time to have hope, you are a child of God.

Lord God, Creator of all things, guide our steps and strengthen our hearts, during these months of summer and vacation days. Grant us refreshment of mind and body.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

[Source: Sunday Bulletin of June 29, 2008; Saint Paul's Roman Catholic Cathedral, Saskatoon, SK, Canada.]

"Hang out" for teens, next week, June 26 to 29, 2018 from 9:00am to 3:00pm.

Did you know what the great Saint Pope John Paul said? "The Cross walks with young people and young people walk with the Cross." Another powerful saint, Saint Catherine of Siena said: "If you are what you should be, you will set the whole world ablaze!" We will be using the infrastructure for the Bible Camp- shared meals and masses and outings. However, we will have something special for teenagers and young people. Come and see and hang out with us at the beginning of this summer. We want to know what you think and what you need too. Let's hang out and talk!!! We look forward to seeing you!

Dates for Faith Formation and Formation for Lay People

Thursday Bible Study and Catholicism Every Thursday, Bible Study at 6:30PM, in Rectory,
Lectors, Lay Ministers Meeting and Choir Members: after the 10:30AM Mass on Sunday,
June 24, 2018

Acolytes: In the rectory, the following meeting will be on July 14, 2018, at 9:00AM.

Faith in the family: The next faith in the family to be announced at a later date

Date(s) to Remember

Flea Market: Saturday, July 7, 2018, 9:00AM to 3:00PM

Mass in Cameron Hall: Saturday, July 14, 2018, 5:00PM, followed by a light meal

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.