

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, September 9th, 2017, 5:00PM

†**Isabelle Briffett** By David Briffett..

†Predelita Pelin By Cris Pelin and family

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

For the **Intentions of Michelle Comodero**

For the **Intentions of Izabelle Florentino** By Imelda Estigoy

†the death anniversary of **James Wright and Mariam Masa** By Merly Nunez

Tuesday, September 12th, 2017, 7:00PM

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Wednesday, September 13th, 2017, 7:00PM

†**Vincente Cortez** By Flora Lim and family

Thursday, September 14th, 2017, 9:00AM

Intentions of Ivanna Florentino

Friday, September 15th, 2017, 9:00AM

Saturday, September 16th, 2017, 5:00PM

† **Patrick Doyle** By Adeline Doyle

Sunday, September 17th, 2017, 10:30AM

Intentions of Imelda Estigoy

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, Maureen O'Brien, Polly Storey, Justin Occhionero, Hugo Diaz

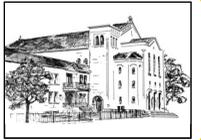
God is with you always.

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September 10, 2017
Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

"If your brother sins against you"

Meditation: What's the best way to repair a damaged relationship? Jesus offers his disciples spiritual freedom and power for restoring broken or injured relationships.

Don't brood over an offense - speak directly and privately

What can we learn from Jesus' instructions about how to mend a damaged relationship (Matthew 18:15-20)? If you feel you have been wronged by someone, Jesus says the first step is to speak directly but privately to the individual who has done the harm. One of the worst things we can do is brood over our grievance. This can poison our mind and heart and make it more difficult to go directly to the person who caused the damage.

Seek the help of wise Christians

If we truly want to settle a difference with someone, we need to do it face to face. If this fails in its purpose, then the second step is to bring another person or persons, someone who is wise and gracious rather than someone who is hot-tempered or judgmental. The goal is not so much to put the offender on trial, but to persuade the offender to see the wrong and to be reconciled. And if this fails, then we must still not give up, but seek the help of the Christian community. Note the emphasis here is on restoring a broken relationship by seeking the help of other Christians who hopefully will pray and seek a solution for reconciliation based on Christian love and wisdom, rather than relying on coercive force or threat of legal action, such as a lawsuit.

Pray for the offender - for healing and reconciliation

Lastly, if even the Christian community fails to bring about reconciliation, what must we do? Jesus seems to say that we have the right to abandon stubborn and obdurate offenders and treat them like social outcasts. The tax-collectors and Gentiles were regarded as "unclean" by the religious-minded Jews and they resorted to shunning them. However we know from the Gospel accounts that Jesus often had fellowship with tax-collectors (as well as other public sinners), ate with them, and even praised them at times! Jesus refuses no one who is open to receive pardon, healing, and restoration.

Set no obstacle in seeking to heal your brother's wound

When you are offended, are you willing to put aside your own grievance and injury in order to help your brother's wound? The Lord Jesus wants to set us free from resentment, ill-will, and an unwillingness to forgive. The love of Christ both purifies and sets us free to do good to all - even those who cause us grief. The call to accountability for what we have done and have failed to do is inevitable and we can't escape it, both in this life and at the day of judgment when the Lord Jesus will return. But while we have the opportunity today, we must not give up on praying for those who cause us offense. With God's help we must seek to make every effort to win them with the grace and power of God's healing love and wisdom. Do you tolerate broken relationships or do you seek to repair them as God gives you the opportunity to mend and restore what is broken? "Lord Jesus, make me an instrument of your healing love and peace. Give me wisdom and courage to bring your healing love and saving truth to those in need of healing and restoration."

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ST. WILLIBRORD ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

****Revised ** Wardens Election**

The Wardens' Elections are to be held on September 10, 2017, following the 10:30AM Mass. If you live in the boundaries of St Willibrord Parish (Postal Codes beginning with H4G or H3E). You are encouraged to attend Mass and vote. There are **THREE** vacancies and the people running for election are Susan Charlebois, Bernadette Roach, Enrique Reyes, Paulo Silva and Patrick Lau.

Annual Bazaar

Please come and invite your family and friends

Friday, October 27, 2017, 1:00PM to 9:00PM

Saturday, October 28, 2017, 9:00AM to 3:00PM

Some of the booths will be...Baked Goods, Frozen Meals, Jams, Jellies and preserves, Knits and Crafts, Wheel of Fortune, Good Cheer, Christmas Table, Sports Booth, Books, Raffles.

Donations of new items, which can be sold or raffled off, are gratefully accepted. Prizes are still needed for the Wheel of Fortune, Good Cheer (Alcohol) and Gift Table. If you are a baker and would like to make and donate baked good, please call the rectory. Volunteers are needed to help with the setup, working at the booths, soliciting donations, etc.... For more information, to make donations or volunteer, please contact the rectory at 514-769-9678 or by email at stwillibrordparish@videotron.ca

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: Sunday, September 24, 2017, following the 10:30am Mass.

Acolytes: The next meeting will be on October 14, 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, October 7, 2017, 9:00AM to 3:00PM

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. PREX polo t-shirts, for the PREX graduates, there are still some shirts available. If you are interested, please see either Stasi or Carole. The donation is \$15 per t-shirt.

Open House at Loyola High School

"Loyola High School will be hosting an Open House for prospective students on Saturday, September 16th, from 9:00 a.m. until noon. If you are interested in a Catholic education for your son, come and meet the people who make up the Loyola family, tour our school, learn about our sports teams, explore the labs, Fine Arts and Robotics facilities. Loyola ensures that finances are not a barrier to a qualified student attending. We offer Financial Aid to families who could otherwise not afford the school fees. To learn more, please visit loyola.ca."

St. John Brébeuf – Book Sale Sept. 8-10

When: Fri. Sept. 8, 5 – 7 p.m. / Sat. Sept. 9, 9 a.m.-6 p.m. / Sun. Sept. 10, 10 a.m.-12 noon

Where: 855 Bishop Power, LaSalle

There will be a Tea Room with homemade sweets on Saturday.

Donations of used books, CDs, DVDs: call 514-366-0131 ext. 223 to arrange drop off.

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.

THE MEANING OF COMMUNION WITH GOD

“That which we have seen and heard declare we unto you, that ye also may have fellowship with us: and truly our fellowship is with the Father, and with his Son Jesus Christ.”
1 John 1:3.

Communion with God is the life of the soul. It is not something that we cannot interpret, something that we can clothe with beautiful words but which does not give us the genuine experience that makes our words of real value. Communion with God gives a daily experience that does indeed make our joy full.

Those who have this union with Christ will declare it in spirit and word and work. Profession is nothing unless in word and work good fruit is manifest. Unity, fellowship with one another and with Christ—this is the fruit borne on every branch of the living vine. The cleansed soul, born again, has a clear, distinct testimony to bear.

To know God is, in the scriptural sense of the term, to be one with Him in heart and mind, having an experimental knowledge of Him, holding reverential communion with Him as the Redeemer. Only through sincere obedience can this communion be obtained. Where this communion is lacking, the heart is not in any sense a temple of God, but is controlled by the foe, who is working out his own purposes through the human agency. Such a man, whatever his profession or claims, is not a temple of the Holy Spirit.

The experience is perfected by fruit bearing. He who does not bear good fruit in words and deeds, in the strength of elevated, ennobling principle, is a bad tree. The fruit that he bears is unpalatable to God. His professed knowledge of Christ is a falsehood, a deception. . . .

In the light of the love of Christ, the gospel is an open book. This is the true light, which Christ came to bring to the world. The Saviour's true disciples have received this love. . . .

From the light that God has given me, I know that men's great danger is in being self-deceived. Satan is watching his chance. He will come to men in human form, and will speak to them most entrancing words. He will bring against them the same temptations that he brought against Christ. Unless their minds and hearts are filled with the pure, unselfish, sanctified love that Christ revealed, they will fall under Satan's power, and will do and say and write strange things, to deceive, if it were possible, the very elect.

Following Christ's example of unselfish service, trusting like little children in His merits, and obeying His commands, we shall receive the approval of God.—*David Brown May 7, 2017*
<https://amredeemed.com/bible-study/meaning-communion-god-2/>

The Gospel calls us to repent but not only to repent; it calls us to experience the life that Christ has brought for us, in reconciliation.

We must, then, ask ourselves...

How can we, as an individual, and as a community, be a sign of what we believe? That we are a community that forgives, a community that rejoice, a community that has found life in Christ.

Pastor

Fr. Gregory Nunez

Office Staff

Anastasia Wargachuk
Administration

August 19-20, 2017

—\$991.40

August 26-27, 2017

—\$941.75

Sept Flea Market —

\$2,118.00

Sept 2,-3, 2017—

\$1,000.90

Mass Schedule

Saturday @ 5:00 pm

Sunday @ 10:30 am

(incl. Children's Liturgy)

Tues @ 7:00 pm

(Rectorv)

Wed @ 7:00 pm

Thursday & Friday

@ 9:00 am

Adoration Fridays

9:30am to 11:30am

Birthday/Anniversary

Blessings to

all Parishioners who are celebrating this week

Birthday Blessings

to Tes Allonar

Thank You to

◇Mike, Merly, Cora Ann, Judith, all the volunteers who worked at the Flea Market, in the rectory and in the Church.

Plants Wanted!

If you have extra perennial plants/flowers, 1 ft in height or less, and you would like to donate them to the parish, please bring them with you to mass or contact the rectory.



Praying actualizes and deepens our communion with God. Our prayer can and should arise above all from our heart, from our needs, our hopes, our joys, our sufferings, from our shame over sin, and from our gratitude from the good. It can and should be a wholly personal prayer.

Pope Benedict XVI