

Mass Intentions

Saturday, September 21st, 2019, 5:00PM

† Santiago Gesta Jr by Aida, Jasmin & Juven..
† Prof. Laurie Hendren by Joseph D'Silva

Sunday, September 22nd, 2019, 10:30AM

† Gregorio Nunez Sr and † Generosa Nunez by the Nunez family
† The deceased members of the Pasal family by Melina Pasal and family
† Anitilde Valenzuela, on the anniversary of her death By Enrique Reyes
Birthday Blessings for Joshua Ordon and prayers
for Felomina Cancio, Jesus Cancio and Cecilia Ordon by Jocelyn Ordon
Thanksgiving and birthday blessings for Merly Nuñez and Janelle Dabucol
by the Nunez family
Thanksgiving Mass offered for Our Lady of Peñafrancia by Merly Nuñez

Tuesday, September 24th, 2019, 7:00PM

Pro Populo

Wednesday, September 25th, 2019, 7:00PM

† Santiago Gesta by Aida, Jasmin and Juven..

Thursday, September 26th, 2019, 9:00AM

Healing Mass for Lourdes Estrada Salceda by Maria Salceda..

Friday, September 27th, 2019, 7:00 PM

Thanksgiving Blessings for Elizabeth Joseph by her mother..

Saturday, September 28th, 2019, 5:00PM

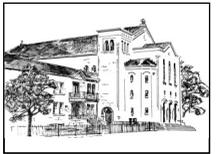
† Mary Lea Jordan by her son Jack..
† Consep de la Cruz by Maureen Redrino

Sunday, September 29th, 2019, 10:30AM

Prayers for Rosanna Besner by Mr & Mrs Pedro Quiocho..

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September 22, 2019 — Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Who will entrust to you the true riches?"

The necessity of prudent foresight to avert disaster

Before news of his dismissal became public knowledge, the shrewd steward struck a deal with his master's debtors. In discounting their debts he probably was giving up his generous commission. Such a deal won him great favor with the debtors. Since the steward acted as the landowner's agent, such a deal made his master look very generous and forgiving towards those who owned him money. Surely everyone would praise such a generous landowner as the town hero! Since the master could not undo the steward's cancellation of the debts without losing face and making his debtors resent him, he praised the steward for outwitting him and making him appear as a generous and merciful landowner.

True generosity does not impoverish - but enriches the giver

What is the enemy of generosity? It's greed, the excessive desire for personal gain and security. However, we do not need to be afraid for true generosity does not impoverish the giver, but enriches that person a hundredfold! Generosity expands the soul - but greed contracts it. God is generous and superabundant in lavishing his gifts upon us. We can never outmatch God in generosity. He has given us the best of gifts in sending us his only-begotten Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, who offered up his life for us on the cross. The Father also offers us the gift of the Holy Spirit who fills us with the fruit of peace, joy, patience, kindness, love, and self-control (Galatians 5:22) - and many other blessings as well. Everything we have is an outright gift of God. Do you know the joy and freedom of blessing others with the gifts and resources God has given to you?

What controls or rules your life?

Jesus concludes his parable with a lesson on what controls or rules our lives. Who is the *master* (or ruler) in charge of your life? Our "master" is that which governs our thought-life, shapes our ideals, and controls the desires of the heart and the values we choose to live by. We can be ruled by many different things - the love of money or possessions, the power of position, the glamor of wealth and prestige, the driving force of unruly passions and addictions. Ultimately the choice boils down to two: God and "mammon". What is mammon? "Mammon" stands for "material wealth or possessions" or what ever tends to "control our appetites and desires."

When a number of the religious leaders heard Jesus' parable they reacted with scorn (Luke 16:14). Jesus spoke to the condition of their hearts - they *were lovers of money* (Luke 16:14). Love of money and wealth crowd out love of God and love of neighbor. Jesus makes clear that our heart must either be possessed by God's love or our heart will be possessed by the love of something else.

The Lord alone can satisfy our desires and give us generous hearts

There is one Master alone who has the power to set us free from greed and possessiveness. That Master is the Lord Jesus Christ who died to set us free and who rose to give us new abundant life. The Lord Jesus invites us to make him the Master and Lord of our lives. He alone can satisfy the desires of our heart and transform us in his love through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Our money, time, and possessions are precious resources and gifts from God. We can guard them jealously for ourselves alone or allow the love of the Lord to guide us in making good use of them for the benefit of others - especially those in need - and for the work of the Lord in advancing his kingdom. Ask the Lord to fill your heart with a spirit of generosity and joy in sharing what you have with others.

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Fr. Gregory Nunez

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Aug 17-18—\$720.95
Augt 24-25— \$585.35
Aug 31-Sept 1 —
\$762.65
Sept. 7-8—\$1,175.15
Wedding (Quiocho-
Hechanova) —
\$225.70
Funeral (†Cynthia
Damato McCarthy)—
\$532.30
Flea Market—
\$2,979.95
Sept. 14-15—\$500.45

**ST WILLIBRORD
PARISH**

Mass Schedule
Saturday: 5:00 pm
Sunday: 10:30 am
(incl. Children's
Liturgy)
Tuesday: 7:00 pm
(Rector)
Wednesday:
7:00 pm
Thursday: 9:00 am
(Rector)
Friday: 9:00am
(Rector)

Adoration
9:30am to 11:30am
(Rector)

**Please note the
Mass, on Tuesday,
Thursday and Friday
will be held in
the Rector**

Plenary Indulgence (part 3)

The Way of the Cross usually consists of 14 sacred readings, to which some vocal prayers may be added.

However, to fulfill the pious exercise it is enough to meditate on the Lord's passion and death, with no need to make a particular consideration regarding each individual station. Thus, one may also meditate on episodes of the Passion that differ from the traditional 14 stations.

It is also necessary to move from one station to the next, although, if during a public celebration the whole group cannot easily move, it is sufficient that the person who guides the stations move from one station to the next.

If someone is legitimately impeded from doing the stations, he or she may obtain the same indulgence through pious reading and meditation on the Lord's passion and death for about 15 minutes or so.

11. Devoutly receiving a papal blessing including those imparted "urbi et orbi" (to the city of Rome and the world) such as is customary at Easter and Christmas, and received through live transmission by radio, television or Internet. The local bishop may also impart the apostolic blessing three times a year on dates of their choosing, at the end of a specially solemn Mass.

12. Each Friday of Lent a plenary indulgence is granted to those who piously recite the prayer "Look down Upon Me, Good and Gentle Jesus" after Communion, before an image of Christ crucified. This prayer is among those offered in the missal for thanksgiving after Communion.

13. "To the faithful in danger of death, who cannot be assisted by a priest to bring them the sacraments and impart the Apostolic Blessing with its plenary indulgence, Holy Mother Church nevertheless grants a plenary indulgence to be acquired at the point of death, provided they are properly disposed and have been in the habit of reciting some prayers during their lifetime. The use of a crucifix or a cross to gain this indulgence is praiseworthy.

"The condition, provided they have been in the habit of reciting some prayers during their lifetime, supplies in such cases for the three usual conditions required for the gaining of a plenary indulgence.

"The plenary indulgence at the point of death can be acquired by the faithful, even if they have already obtained another plenary indulgence on the same day." (Enchiridion of Indulgences)

Apart from the plenary indulgences, Catholics do well to be aware that most of their habitual prayers, sacrifices and habitual service to others, from the sign of the cross to the Hail Mary, are endowed with partial indulgences which increase their weight before God and give them an opportunity to exercise selfless charity in offering their prayers in benefit of the souls in purgatory.

<https://zenit.org/articles/liturgy-q-a-ways-to-gain-an-indulgence/>

ST. WILLIBRORD ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

Happiest Fiesta, Our Lady of Peñafrancia

Turn to me thine eyes, Oh most loving Virgin of Peñafrancia and have mercy on my soul that come to thee, full of repentance. Protect my family, relatives, friends and benefactors. Intercede for your devotees, both the living and the dead, specially for those whom I am most obliged to help. Pray for me, console me, save me. In my hours of peril, adversity and afflictions, above all, in the hour of my death, appear before your Divine Son to help and defend me. Tell Him that I am your devotee, that having complete trust in your protection I kneel before your miraculous image to ask for your powerful intercession. Virgin of Peñafrancia, Pray for me, help me, console me, and deliver me from all evil. Amen.

Anniversary and Birthday Blessings to all who are celebrating this week.

Happy Birthday to Adolfo Nicolas, Merly Nunez, Janelle Dabucol, Melissa Redrino, and Dominic Rosal

Thank you to Mike, Ann, Merly, Ruth, Cora and all of our dedicated volunteers

Thank you to our Flea Market volunteers, vendors, benefactors and visitors

DATE(S) TO REMEMBER

Meeting for Lectors, Lay Ministers and Choir Members:

Schedules will be distributed.

Acolytes: Meeting will be held in the rectory, on October 5, at 9:00AM.

Flea Market: Saturday, October 5 2019, 9:00AM to 3:00PM

Mass in Cameron Hall will take place on, Saturday, October 12, 2019.

Youth Encounter Retreat: For teens, ages 14yrs to 18 yrs, September 27, 28, & 29, 2019 (retreat begin Friday afternoon, all day Saturday and all day Sunday)

Taizé Evening: Saturday, October 5 2019, at 6:00PM following the 5:00PM Mass

PREX Retreat: November 8, 9 & 10, 2019

(retreat begin Friday evening, all day Saturday and all day Sunday)

Annual Bazaar: November 15 & 16, 2019

Parishioners Party & Concert: December 14, 2019

"Loyola High School will be hosting an Open House for all prospective students on Saturday, September 28th, from 9:00 a.m. until noon. If you are interested in a Catholic education for your son, come and meet the students, teachers and administrators who make up the Loyola family. Tour our school, learn about our sports teams, explore the labs, Fine Arts and Robotics facilities. Financial Aid is available to students who qualify. To learn more, please visit www.loyola.ca/admissions".

Visit The Sacred Heart School of Montreal's Open House and find out what students at Montreal's only all girls English Catholic high school love most about being Sacred Heart girls! Saturday, September 28 from 12:30 pm to 4 pm and Tuesday, October 1 from 4 pm to 7 pm. 3635 Atwater Avenue. Due to construction on our campus, we will be offering valet parking. For information: 514-937-2845 or www.sacredheart.qc.ca

CONFESSIONS will be heard 15 minutes before each Mass weekdays and 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.