

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 2nd, 2017, 5:00PM

†Souls in Purgatory By Adeline Doyle

Sunday, September 3rd, 2017, 10:30AM

For the Intentions of Wenmar Comodero

For Healing Blessings for Melchor & Joseph Bulseco By Burcena Family

For the Intentions of Ivanna Florentino By Imelda Estigoy

†Lourdes Garlando Baluis by Cora Garlando & Family

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

Tuesday, September 5th, 2017, 7:00PM

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Wednesday, September 6th, 2017, 7:00PM

†Margaret Groves By the Wargachuk Family

Thursday, September 7th, 2017, 9:00AM

For the Intentions of Izabelle Florentino By Imelda Estigoy

Friday, September 8th, 2017, 9:00AM

Thanksgiving Mass by Adriana Appau

Saturday, September 9th, 2017, 5:00PM

†Isabelle Briffett By David Briffett..

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

For the Intentions of Michelle Comodero

For the Intentions of Izabelle Florentino By 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 3, 2017

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Take up your cross daily and follow Jesus Christ

Meditation: What is the way to glory and victory in the kingdom of God? Jesus told his disciples that he must first suffer rejection, be crucified, and then rise again on the third day. In so many words he explained that there could be no victory and no glory without the cross. Jesus' prediction of his suffering and death on the cross caused his disciples great dismay and disbelief. Peter, who was often the first to react to whatever Jesus had to say, wanted to protect Jesus from any threat or harm. That is why he rebuked the very thought of Jesus having to face rejection, condemnation, and crucifixion.

"My way or God's way"

Why did Jesus use the word "Satan" when he addressed Peter? When Jesus went out into the wilderness to prepare for his public ministry, Satan came to tempt him to follow a different path than the one chosen by the Father in heaven. Now Jesus recognizes in Peter's response another temptation to seek a different and less costly path for accomplishing his mission than the way of the cross. The word "Satan" literally means "adversary" - one who stands in opposition. Jesus reminds Peter that his role is not to be an *adversary* but a *disciple* - one who gets *behind his Master* to follow with trust and obedience.

Victory and glory through the cross

Jesus knew that the cross was the only way he could ransom us from slavery to sin with the price of his blood which was shed for our freedom. Through his sacrificial death on the cross, Jesus defeated Satan who held us in bondage to sin and condemnation. And Jesus defeated the power of death and overcame the grave through his resurrection. Through his obedience to his heavenly Father's will, Jesus reversed the curse of Adam's disobedience. His death on the cross won pardon for the guilty, freedom for the oppressed, healing for the afflicted, and new life for those condemned to death. His death makes possible our freedom to live as the adopted sons and daughters of the merciful Father in heaven.

The paradox of God's economy

Jesus told his disciples that they, too, must be willing to lay down their lives in order to gain new everlasting life with the Father in his kingdom. There's a certain paradox in God's economy. We lose what we gain, and we gain what we lose. When we try to run our life our own way, we end up losing it to futility. Only God can free us from our ignorant and sinful ways. When we surrender our lives to God, he gives us new life in his Spirit and the pledge of eternal life. God wants us to be spiritually fit and ready to do his will at all times. When the human body is very weak or ill, we make every effort to nurse it back to health. How much more effort and attention should we give to the spiritual health of our hearts and minds!

The great exchange

What will you give to God in exchange for freedom and eternal life? Are you ready to part with anything that might keep you from following the Lord Jesus and his perfect plan for your life? Jesus poses these questions to challenge our assumptions about what is most profitable and worthwhile in life. In every decision of life we are making ourselves a certain kind of person. It is possible that some can gain all the things they have set their heart on, only to wake up suddenly and discover that they missed the most important thing of all. Of what value are material things if they don't help you gain what truly lasts for eternity. Neither money nor possessions can buy heaven, mend a broken heart, or cheer a lonely person.

Losing all to gain all with Jesus Christ

A true disciple gladly gives up all that he or she has in exchange for an unending life of joy and happiness with God. God gives without measure. The joy he offers no sadness or loss can diminish. The cross of Jesus Christ leads to victory and freedom from sin and death. What is the cross which Jesus Christ commands me to take up each day? When *my* will crosses with *his* will, then his will must be done. Are you ready to lose all for Jesus Christ in order to gain all with Jesus Christ?

"Take, Lord, and receive all my liberty, my memory, my understanding, and all my will, all that I have and possess. You have given them to me; to you, O Lord, I restore them; all things are yours, dispose of them according to your will. Give me your love and your grace, for this is enough for me." (Prayer of Ignatius of Loyola, 1491-1556)

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ST. WILLIBRORD ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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 four 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: To be determined, please contact Stasi with your availability to meet.

Acolytes: The next meeting will be on September 9, 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 One Holy Catholic Apostolic Church has only two types of authority:

I. Temporal Authority

The temporal authority of the Church is always fallible, never infallible.

The temporal authority of the Church involves decisions, not teachings, and rules, not moral law. The temporal authority of the Church gives the Bishops and the Pope the authority to rule over the Church, to make decisions and rules concerning practical matters, and to govern the people of God.

The temporal authority of the Church includes the authority to govern all nations and governments, and society in general. In the world today, the Church has no real power over nations, governments, and secular society. Even so, God himself did truly give the Church the authority over all of God's people, including non-Catholics, non-Christians, and non-believers. For all people on earth belong to God and He has given His Church full authority over all His people.

Many persons in the world do not acknowledge that the Church has any authority over them. These persons think that the Catholic Church only has authority over Catholics. They view each church and each religion as separate and autonomous. But such is not the view of Almighty God. "For all the earth is mine." (Ex 19:5).

In the present time, the Church has wisely chosen not to attempt to bring all persons under her rule. However, the truth should be known that in God's plan for Creation, the Church has the authority to rule over all persons and nations and governments. For Christ is the Head of the Church, and all things were patterned after Christ, created through Him, for Him, and in Him. Therefore, in truth, Christ and His Body the Church have authority over all persons, nations and governments.

II. Spiritual Authority, also called the Magisterium

The Magisterium is the ability and authority of the Church to teach the truths found in the Deposit of Faith. The Deposit of Faith consists solely of Tradition and Scripture. The Deposit of Faith is Divine Revelation from God. Everything taught by Tradition or Scripture is entirely true and infallible.

The Magisterium is divided into the infallible Sacred Magisterium and the non-infallible Ordinary Magisterium. <http://catholicplanet.com/TSM/outline-Church-authority.htm>

Church Warden: A layman appointed to assist the pastor in the temporal administration of a parish. The role of Churchwarden is extremely varied but generally involves management, maintenance, and ministry. The rights and responsibilities of Church wardens are laid down in Church Law. And as with most roles within a parish, this is a voluntary (unpaid) position. In addition to the temporal administration, the duties of the Church Wardens should also include the following:

- 1-Attending to the physical, financial, social, spiritual well-being of the congregation;
- 2-Ensuring orderliness, safety, comfort, concentration and spiritual effectiveness during the various church services;
- 3-Enforcement of Church norms, laws, rules, regulations and directives.

Pastor

Fr. Gregory Nunez

Office Staff

Anastasia Wargachuk
Administration

August 12-13, 2017
—\$609.75

August 19-20, 2017
—\$991.40

August 26-27, 2017
—\$941.75

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 and Birthday Blessings to Adriana Apau and Dan Ormsby

Thank You to

◊Mike, Merly, Cora Ann, Judith, Bering and all the volunteers who worked in the rectory and 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.

