

Mass Intentions

Saturday, September 7th, 2019, 5:00PM

Blessings for Mary Angeline Eguia Villannera as she prepares to take her board exam in Medicine

† Leona Panaganiban by Maureen Redrino

Sunday, September 8th, 2019, 10:30AM

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† Albert Chapleau by Carole Wepruk

† Eugenia Estigoy By Imelda Estigoy

Tuesday, September 10th, 2019, 7:00PM

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Wednesday, September 11th, 2019, 7:00PM

† Jean (Virginia) Feledick, on the anniversary of her birth by a friend

Thursday, September 12th, 2019, 9:00AM

† Georgette Carpentier Perron by Eileen and Andy Wepruk

Friday, September 13th, 2019, 7:00 PM

† Dave Briffett by Isabel McKeever..

Saturday, September 14th, 2019, 5:00PM

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Sunday, September 15th, 2019, 10:30AM

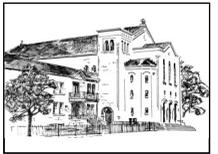
† Souls in Purgatory by Adeline Doyle

† Patrick Doyle by Adeline Doyle

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September 8, 2019 — Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

The true cost of discipleship

The cost of following Jesus as his disciples

Jesus willingly embraced the cross, not only out of obedience to his Father's will, but out of a merciful love for each one of us in order to set us free from slavery to sin, Satan, and everything that would keep us from his love, truth, and goodness. Jesus knew that the cross was the Father's way for him to achieve victory over sin and death - and glory for our sake as well. He counted the cost and said 'yes' to his Father's will. If we want to share in his glory and victory, then we, too, must 'count the cost' and say 'yes' to his call to "take up our cross and follow him" as our Lord and Savior.

What is the 'way of the cross' for you and me? It means that when my will crosses with God's will, then his will must be done. The way of the cross involves sacrifice, the sacrifice of laying down my life each and every day for Jesus' sake. What makes such sacrifice possible and "sweet" for us is the love of God poured out for us in the blood of Christ who cleanses us and makes us a new creation in him. Paul the Apostle tells us that "God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us" (Romans 5:5). We can never outmatch God in his merciful love and kindness towards us. He always gives us more than we can expect or imagine. Do you allow the Holy Spirit to fill your heart and transform your life with the overflowing love and mercy of God?

The great exchange

If you prize something of great value and want to possess it, it's natural to ask what it will cost you before you make a commitment to invest in it. Jesus was utterly honest and spared no words to tell his disciples that it would cost them dearly to be his disciples - it would cost them their whole lives and all they possessed in exchange for the new life and treasure of God's kingdom. The Lord Jesus leaves no room for compromise or concession. We either give our lives over to him entirely or we keep them for ourselves. Paul the Apostle reminds us, "We are not our own. We were bought with a price" (1 Corinthians 6:19b,20). We were once slaves to sin and a kingdom of darkness and oppression, but we have now been purchased with the precious blood of Jesus Christ who has ransomed us from a life of darkness and destruction so we could enter his kingdom of light and truth. Christ has set us free to choose whom we will serve in this present life as well as in the age to come - God's kingdom of light, truth, and goodness or Satan's kingdom of darkness, lies, and deception. There are no neutral parties - we are either for God's kingdom or against it.

Who do you love first - above all else?

The love of God compels us to choose who or what will be first in our lives. To place any relationship or any possession above God is a form of idolatry - worshiping the creature in place of the Creator and Ruler over all he has made. Jesus challenges his disciples to examine who and what they love first and foremost. We can be ruled and mastered by many different things - money, drugs, success, power or fame. Only one Master, the Lord Jesus Christ, can truly set us free from the power of sin, greed, and destruction. The choice is ours - who will we serve and follow - the path and destiny the Lord Jesus offers us or the path we choose in opposition to God's will and purpose for our lives. It boils down to choosing between life and death, truth and falsehood, goodness and evil. If we choose for the Lord Jesus and put our trust in him, he will show us the path that leads to true joy and happiness with our Father in heaven.

— Servants of the Word, source: www.dailyscripture.net, author [Don Schwager](#)

Pastor
Fr. Gregory Nunez

Office Staff
Anastasia Wargachuk
Administration

July 27-28, 2019—
\$600.65

August 3-4, 2019—
\$586.20

August Flea Market—
\$1,600.00

August 10-11, 2019—
\$1,204.05

August 17-18—
\$720.95

August 24-25—
\$585.35

Aug 31-Sept 1 —
\$762.65

**ST WILLIBRORD
PARISH**

Mass Schedule

Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 10:30 am
(incl. Children's
Liturgy)

Tuesday: 7:00 pm
(Rectory)

Wednesday:
7:00 pm

Thursday: 9:00 am
(Rectory)

Adoration
Thursdays
9:30am to 11:30am
(Rectory)

Friday: 7:00 pm
(Rectory)

**Please note the
Mass, on Tuesday,
Thursday and Fri-
day will be held in
the Rectory**

Plenary Indulgence (part 1)

No. 1471 of the Catechism of the Catholic Church explains: “An indulgence” is a remission before God of the temporal punishment due to sins whose guilt has already been forgiven, which the faithful Christian who is duly disposed gains under certain prescribed conditions through the action of the Church which, as the minister of redemption, dispenses and applies with authority the treasury of the satisfactions of Christ and the saints.”

No. 1479 adds, “Since the faithful departed now being purified are also members of the same communion of saints, one way we can help them is to obtain indulgences for them, so that the temporal punishment due for their sins may be remitted.”

The decree reminds the faithful that to obtain a plenary indulgence it is necessary to observe the “usual conditions”:

- 1) Sacramental confession, usually within 20 days before or after obtaining the indulgence. One sacramental confession is sufficient for several indulgences.
- 2) Eucharistic Communion. Unlike confession, only one indulgence may be obtained for each Communion. Although this Communion may be fulfilled several days before or after obtaining the indulgence, it is preferable that this condition be fulfilled the same day. Thus, those who practice regular confession and daily Mass may obtain a plenary indulgence practically every day.
- 3) Prayer in keeping with the intentions of the Supreme Pontiff. Like Communion, prayer for the Pope’s intentions must be recited for the gaining of each plenary indulgence. Although there are no prescribed prayers the condition is satisfied by reciting one Our Father and one Hail Mary.
- 4) Having the soul completely removed from attachment to any form of sin. This is the most difficult condition as even attachment to venial sin precludes the possibility of obtaining the indulgence. However, note that the condition is not freedom from all venial sin, but from attachment to sin; that is, that there is no sin which the soul is unwilling to renounce. An attachment is an objective disorder, a refusal to amend a situation, and the person involved is aware of it. Thus it is not confused with normal human weakness or the fact that many, perhaps most, of us tend to repeat the same failings many times before overcoming them. If this were the case, it would certainly be almost impossible to gain any indulgences.

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

ST. WILLIBRORD ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

Anniversary and Birthday Blessings to all who are celebrating this week.
Happy Birthday to Archbishop Lepine, Bishop Dowd, Tess Allonar and Dan Ormsby
Happy Anniversary to Anastasia (Stasi) Wargachuk and David Turbide
Thank you to Mike, Ann, Merly, Ruth, Jonas, Jarred, Hector, Ogaga, Tony, Daniel, Susan B., Maria, Susan C. 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, September 14, 2019.

The Soup Kitchen is closed for the summer but will be reopening on September 16, 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)

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

Upcoming Events in the planning stages

1. Taizé Evening . During the month of September there will be a Taizé evening. The singing of distinctive and much-repeated prayer chants during candlelit prayer services is one of its trademarks. Taizé music highlights simple phrases, usually lines from the Psalms or other pieces of scripture, repeated or sung in canon. The repetition is designed to help meditation and prayer
2. Pilgrimage to St Joseph’s Oratory for an outdoor way of the Cross.
Pilgrimage to St. Anne de Beaupré Sanctuary, Quebec City, Quebec. The Basilica of Sainte-Anne-de-Beaupré is a basilica set along the Saint Lawrence River in Quebec, Canada, 30 kilometres east of Quebec City, and one of the five national shrines of Canada. It has been credited by the Catholic Church with many miracles of curing the sick and disabled

Live Your Strengths -

“Be who God wants you to be and set the world on fire,” St. Catherine of Siena
Live Your Strengths is a program to help you discern what God is calling you to do by discovering the unique talents He has given you.
You will be asked to go online and fill out a questionnaire, very easy to fill out, they give you three answers and you chose the one that most describes you. You have about 20 seconds to answer the question. The whole questionnaire takes approximately 20 minutes. Once this is done, a representative of Living Your Strengths will convey us to a meeting, whereby, he will explain the results to us. You get your own personal analysis of your strengths. Afterwards, there will be workshops and discussions at a later date, that will help us develop more our respective areas of strengths so that we may better accomplish the different ministries that Father has asked us to share with him.

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.