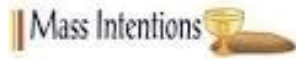


## FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - July 16, 2017



Monday, July 17th	9:00 a.m.	Gail Melanson
Tuesday, July 18th	7:00 p.m.	Lauder Joudry
Wednesday, July 18th	7:00 p.m.	Albert Gogan
Thursday, July 20th	7:00 p.m.	John Brian Fitzpatrick
Friday, July 21st	12:00 p.m.	David Hitchcock
Saturday July 22nd	4:00 p.m.	Albert and Rosalie Melanson
Sunday, July 23rd	9:00 a.m.	Bertha Ferguson
Sunday, July 23rd	11:00 a.m.	Marg and Guy Mott

### Weekly Thoughts

<p>My Friends,</p> <p>This week I had three funerals and another one on Monday. My third funeral was a 13 year-old who died from a brain tumor. The last on the Church's Corporeal Works of Mercy is "bury the dead." This must mean preparing the body for burial.</p> <p>As Catholics we believe in praying for the dead, just as Jesus prayed for his friend Lazarus. Our Holy Mass is the highest prayer for the departed soul. The primary prayer for the newly deceased person is the Funeral Mass. Sadly some families nowadays are ignoring the Funeral Mass and going straight to the burial.</p> <p>Really, the only true assurance that a person has for being remembered reverently in prayer is if the remains of that person (full body or cremation) are buried or entombed in a designated sacred place. This is because those who completed the burial see it as a sacred act. Those participating in the funeral rite regard it as the</p>	<p>first installment of a continuous spiritual project of prayer.</p> <p>We dedicate the month of November to pray especially for all who have died. It is our way of honoring and remembering our loved ones.</p> <p>As for those who forget to pray for the dead, one can only say that they miss out on a great act of charity.</p> <p>Let us remember our own mortality and the brevity of our life on this earth. Each of us will one day face the reality of death. May we never take our lives for granted. Please join me in remembering: Patrick Joseph Stone, Ellie Doucet, Sadie Crilley, and John Brian Fitzpatrick, our newest members in eternity.</p> <p>Eternal rest be upon them, and may they and all the faithful departed, rest in peace.</p> <p>God Bless, Father Gerry</p>
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### Something to Think About

1. **God always has something for you: a key for every problem; a light for every shadow; a relief for every sorrow and a plan for every tomorrow.**
2. **Life is not about being rich, being popular, or being highly educated. It is about being real, being humble, and being kind.**
3. **As you get older, you really just want to be surrounded by good people. People who are good for you, good to you, and good for your soul.**
4. **God won't give you more than you can bear. He might let you bend but He won't let you break.**
5. **Forgive people in your life, even those who are not sorry for their actions. Holding onto anger only hurts you, not them.**
6. **How beautiful it is to stay silent when someone expects you to be enraged.**
7. **There would be fewer problems in life if we just started talking to each other instead of about each other.**
8. **Another wine bottle emptied with no genie at the bottom. I'll keep trying.**

**IN THE CHARITY OF YOUR PRAYERS, PLEASE REMEMBER: J. David Lewis, Patrick Stone, Sadie Crilley, Tommy Wisted, Ellie Doucet, Mary Alliston, John Brian Fitzpatrick, Reginald Dencer**

**Stewardship for the week ending July 9 2017**

<b>Envelopes</b>	<b>2559.00</b>
<b>Loose</b>	<b>291.55</b>
<b>Pre-Authorized Debit</b>	<b>448.65</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>3299.20</b>

**Congratulations to our newly-weds:**



**Bill Hachey and Rosalia Scichilone – July 8**

**Upcoming Events**

Please consider enrolling in **Pre-Authorized Debit** for your Offertory donation. Forms are available at the back of the Church.

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**SHRINE MASS at Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Howard, NB.** Everyone is invited to attend this special celebration on July 30 at 1:30 pm for the Rosary and the Mass which begins at 2 pm.  
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**CAMP SHELDRAKE, BARTIBOG** – Register now for one of Camp Sheldrake’s exciting summer programs for children/youth ages 6 – 15 and Leadership Programs ages 15-17. Complete information is available on our website [www.campsheldrake.ca](http://www.campsheldrake.ca). Online Registration is now available. For further information, contact our office [campshel@xplornet.ca](mailto:campshel@xplornet.ca) or by phone 506-622-8907  
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**OUR THIRD FAMILY FUN DAY AT STELLA MARIS, SAINT JOHN**, will be held in conjunction with Religious Education Registration on Sunday, September 24th, beginning at 11 a.m. We will have games, prizes, Bouncy Castle, Face Painting, Balloon Man, Music, a Photo Booth, Bingo for young and the young at heart. K of C 6595 will be on hand at the BBQ. There is something for everyone. Father Peter will celebrate Mass at 10 a.m.  
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**Sunday Exposition/Adoration:** July 23, at Holy Trinity, from 1:30 - 2:30 with Benediction

**Save the date!** We will be holding a **Farewell Party for Father Gerry on Sunday, August 20, after the 11:00 AM Mass.** Please circle the date on your calendars – more details to follow!

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**Beyond Belief – Becoming the Mystics and Prophets we are Called to Be.** A workshop retreat with author/artist/activist Jan Phillips, **SEPTEMBER 18 - 20.** Enrollment limited to 15 painting participants. Early registration is recommended.  
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**Christian Meditation** - Come join us for Christian Meditation! Tuesdays, 10 a.m, Villa Madonna. Everyone welcome!

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**New Brunswick born musicians Owen McCausland** (tenor) and **Pierre-André Doucet** (piano) return to perform for the “home crowd” on **Tuesday, July 18 at Portland United Church, starting at 7:30pm** (freewill offering at the door). The concert will feature a collection of beautiful art songs and will be repeated on July 20 at the Barachois Summer Festival.  
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**Office Hours this week:**  
**Monday and Wednesday 1:00-5:00 PM**  
**Tuesday, Thursday and Friday – 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM**  
 Please call Marijke at 654-8212 if you have questions.  
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**Sunday Exposition/Adoration:** July 16 at Villa Madonna from 2:00 - 4:00.

**Sanctuary Lamp  
 In Memory of Sadie Crilley**

We are now taking reservations for the Sanctuary Lamp for 2017. If you would like to have the Lamp lit in honour of your loved ones, please check at the office for an available date.