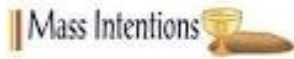


FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - July 9, 2017



Monday, July 10th	9:00 a.m.	Annie Palmer and Mary MacKinnon
Tuesday, July 11th	7:00 p.m.	Joseph McCarron and Family
Wednesday, July 12th	7:00 p.m.	Norman and Ivon Ouellette
Thursday, July 13th	7:00 p.m.	Lionel and Yvonne LeBlanc
Friday, July 14th	12:00 p.m.	Sylvia McKiel
Saturday July 15 th	4:00 p.m.	Margot Ouellette
Sunday, July 16 th	9:00 a.m.	Lorna O'Brien
Sunday, July 16 th	11:00 a.m.	Gerry LeBlanc

Weekly Thoughts

<p>My Friends,</p> <p>This Sunday we have two great lines of Scripture. St. Paul says, “Brothers and Sisters you are not in the flesh; on the contrary, you are in the Spirit.” St. Paul wants us to realize we all have a body and a soul. At times in life, soul and body are at odds with each other. We can know it’s not spiritually healthy for us to overeat and be focussed on the next time we will meet the wants of the body, yet we do it anyway. This is something with which we are all familiar; I often say we all have our favorite sins, or the things that we tend to struggle with more than others. St. Paul makes it clear that this is a conflict between the physical desire of the body and the spiritual good, that our will is always in control of what we decide to say or do. This interior challenge is truly where Saints are made and the path to Heaven is experienced.</p> <p>The second great line of Scripture this weekend is when Jesus says, “Come to me all you who labor and are overburdened and I will give you rest.” The Lord makes it clear that he is always present for us. We may not be</p>	<p>able to have direct conversation with Jesus, as we would a family member but the Lord is always listening and calling us to process life with Him. I often compare the experience of unanswered prayer to the experience of counselling. We often get the most out of counselling by taking the time to talk about how we feel about a particular situation. God speaks to us through our thoughts, feelings and desires. When we take the time to talk to Jesus in prayer, we experience REST. Our belief that God is always present, loves us perfectly, and relates to us spiritually and mentally, challenges us to have daily conversations with Him. In this daily conversations, like in listening to ourselves speaking something out loud, the Lord helps us see the truth within what we already know and what the Bible challenges us to live. Daily prayer is a conversational encounter between God and oneself that leads to a personal discovery and a healthy future path.</p> <p>God Bless, Father Gerry</p>
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Something to Think About

1. **No matter how good or how bad your life is, wake up each morning and be thankful you still have one.**
2. **As long as you feel pain, you’re still alive. As long as you make mistakes, you’re still human. And as long as you keep trying, there’s still hope.**
3. **The truth is still the truth, even when no one believes it. A lie is still a lie, even if everyone believes it.**
4. **Wrinkles mean you laughed, grey hair means you cared and scars mean you lived.**
5. **Don’t compare yourself to others. There’s no comparison between the sun and the moon. They “shine” when it’s “their time.”**
6. **Every man thinks every woman’s dream is to find the perfect man. Please! Every woman’s dream is to eat without getting fat.**

IN THE CHARITY OF YOUR PRAYERS, PLEASE REMEMBER: Gerald Arseneault, Gerald Forest

Stewardship for the week ending July 2 2017

Envelopes	2311.49
Loose	224.45
Food Bank	20.00
Pre-Authorized Debit	448.65
Total	3004.59

MASS at ST. BRENDAN'S
July 8th at 6:00 PM
In Memory of Joseph E. LeBlanc

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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CO-DEPENDENTS ANONYMOUS - meet each Monday evening at 6:45 p.m. in St. Pius X Parish hall. New members are welcome. For more information, please call Nancy at 647-7036.

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.

Sunday Exposition/Adoration: July 16 at Villa Madonna from 2:00 - 4:00.

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Open Mike/Jam - Thursday night. 7-10 pm at Hampton Senior Resource, Centre-DeMille Court, Hampton. \$3.00 Admission. Canteen. 50/50. If you have any questions, call Len 832-5009.

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. Online Registration is now available. For further information, contact our office campshel@xplornet.ca or by phone 506-622-8907

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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Strawberry Festival at St. Francis Xavier, 110 Church Avenue, Sussex, on Sunday, July 9, from 3:30 to 6:30 pm. Adults: \$13; Ages 6 to 12: \$6; Under 6 years of age – FREE. Potato salad, ham, baked beans, coleslaw, roll, strawberry shortcake and layer cake. Plus music by Al Smith. Take Out is also available from our lower hall.

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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COME JOIN OUR WEEKLY 45'S GAME every Thursday, from 1 to 3:30 p.m. in Stella Maris Church Hall, Saint John. \$3 per person; Lite Lunch; 50/50 Draws. Join us for an afternoon of fellowship and fun. For further information, please call Theresa Walsh at 696-5562 or Mary Martin at 652-8868.

Sanctuary Lamp

In Memory of Howard and Marjorie McNally

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.