

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – January 15, 2017



Monday, January 16th	9:00 a.m.	Germaine Lord
Tuesday, January 17th	7:00 p.m.	Ovila Richard
Wednesday, January 18th	7:00 p.m.	Harold Kingston
Thursday, January 19th	7:00 p.m.	Norman Wallace
Friday, January 20th	12:00 p.m.	Kathleen McEachern
Saturday, January 21st	4:00 p.m.	Paul Watters
Sunday, January 22nd	9:00 a.m.	Gail Melanson
Sunday, January 22nd	11:00 a.m.	Leo Paul LeBlanc

Weekly Thoughts

<p>My Friends,</p> <p>I want to reflect on two words that may help us in 2017: Patience and Time. How often, if we are honest, do we find ourselves saying, many times a day: “I don’t have enough patience,” or “I don’t have enough time?” These two words could help us become holier.</p> <p>We spend time with our families but just how much quality time do we really share? What about patience in our own personal lives and in our family life? It seems that patience is difficult, if not almost impossible, today. We live in a world of instant suppers, instant puddings, instant headache relief, instant Internet access and instant answers to difficult questions.</p> <p>Everywhere we look, we demand quick results. However, the biblical stories talk of no easy answer but tell us instead of the long preparation of the prophets, the gradual revelation of God’s plan to us and the patient waiting of Joseph and Mary and even these three wise men, to stand in readiness to receive God’s</p>	<p>greatest gift. Patience grows out of a willingness to wait and a trust and a humility to receive what God wants to give us. The problem for us is that we want to be in complete control, to make things happen, to be self-sufficient. We don’t have the sense of emptiness or openness to receive what we haven’t earned or created ourselves.</p> <p>What God gives us is a surprise each and every day. In a world without God there are no surprises. But in a world with God, when we are open and receptive, we can never know what will happen. What God wants to give us is new and unimaginable and holy, and something we cannot guess in our wildest dreams. TIME and PATIENCE ... let them become part of your life and your family, this year. Who knows? You and your family might just become a holy family or, at least, a holier one.</p> <p>Stay Blessed, Fr. Gerry</p>
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Something to Think About

- 1) I will never regret getting old. I know too many people who never had that privilege.
- 2) Life is the most difficult exam. Many people fail because they try to copy, not realizing that everyone has a different paper.
- 3) A bad attitude is like a flat tire. You can’t go anywhere until you change it.
- 4) In the end, we only regret the chances we didn’t take.
- 5) It is really beautiful when someone prays for you without you knowing. It’s the highest form of respect and care.
- 6) If you want to change the world go home and love your family.
- 7) Do the right thing even when no one is looking. It’s called integrity.
- 8) As you’re breathin’ right now, someone else just took their last, so stop complainin’ and be grateful for what you have.

COFFEE PARTY: January 22nd after the 11:00 AM Mass at the Rectory. All are welcome – come and join us for snacks and fellowship. Snow date: January 29th.

IN THE CHARITY OF YOUR PRAYERS, PLEASE REMEMBER: Angela “Josephine” Cusack, Wilfred Duplessis, Olive “Mere” Frenette, Susan Doucette, Ervin Williams, Rheal Daigle, Norman Girouard, Kay Beaulieu

Stewardship for the week ending January 8th 2017

Envelopes	1885.00
Loose	197.85
Initial Offering	158.00
Pre-Authorized Debit	444.90
Total	2685.20

***In Memoriam
Susan Doucette***

Mother of:

Jeff, Dawn, Harvey, Francis and Billy

Grandmother of:

Michael, Matthew, Joshua, Mark Patricia and Shyann

Eternal Rest Be Upon Her

Upcoming Events

Knights of Columbus Breakfast has been rescheduled to **THIS** Sunday, January 15th, from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM. Proceeds will go to **Breasts Ahoy** and **Columbian Squires** in Southern New Brunswick.

Cost is \$7 for adults; \$3 for children. For the remainder of the year, the dates are February 12th, March 12th, April 9th, May 7th, and June 11th.

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The K of C Council 8094 is offering **free rides for seniors** living in the west side area who would otherwise have problems getting to medical appointments. For more Information please contact Ed Sullivan @ 672-5286 or email sulli@nb.sympatico.ca.

KEEPING CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS The Knights of Columbus, Fr. Thomas Beck Council 8094, conducted their annual "Keep Christ in Christmas" Poster Contest in December and will present the three winners (3 different age groups)with a monetary reward this Sunday after the 11 am Mass. Congratulations to the Knights and the Religious Education students on this worthy project.

Revitalization of our Diocese ~ On behalf of the Diocese of Saint John and the Catholic Leadership Institute, Fr. John Jennings will be writing a series of articles about the Disciple Maker Index Survey results and the process of revitalization in our Diocese. Articles and information about the revitalization process will appear in the New Freeman and will be posted on a website that can be accessed through a link on the Diocesan website. A Facebook page entitled ***Revitalizing our Diocese*** is also available for people to access information.

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New Envelopes: If you have envelopes for the first time (you have not previously had envelopes at St. Rose or were given an unlabelled box), please make sure you fill in your name and address for the next couple of weeks. **PAD forms** are on the table at the back of the Church for those who would like to consider that option.

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NEW EMAIL: saintrosesj@nb.aibn.com

ROSARY

Knights of Columbus: Thursday, January 26th after the 7:00 PM Mass Theme of Family

Pro-Life: Monday, January 30th at 3:00 PM

For Priests and Seminarians: Every Monday after the 9:00 AM Mass

Sanctuary Lamp

In Memory of Francesca Scichilone

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.