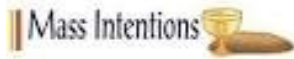


TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - JUNE 25, 2017



Monday, June 26 th	9:00 a.m.	Paul Pineau
Tuesday, June 27 th	7:00 p.m.	Special Intention (MBM)
Wednesday, June 28 th	7:00 p.m.	Ted Reinders
Thursday, June 29 th	7:00 p.m.	Patricia Pare
Friday, June 30 th	12:00 p.m.	David Hitchcock
Saturday July 1 st	4:00 p.m.	Father George Riley
Sunday, July 2 nd	9:00 a.m.	Gerald Chevarie
Sunday, July 2 nd	11:00 a.m.	David and Roy Levenshulme

Weekly Thoughts

<p>My Friends,</p> <p>As we settle back into Ordinary Time for the Summer, the readings take on common life challenges. I often contend that the biggest challenge people have with God is that they don't know Him as He is. People often have the wrong image of God and proceed to project that image upon God. This results in inaccurate thoughts and feelings about God's interaction with humanity. This is the primary reason why Jesus Christ came into the world: to speak to humanity in the first person, so we would know God as God is, right from the mouth of God. While Jesus mixes several thoughts together in the Gospel passage this weekend, the essential theme is self-worth. People often struggle with their own dignity or self-worth. Jesus uses the simplicity of God's awareness of the birds to show that God is much more aware of the needs of each person. We read Scriptures so that our thoughts might be like God's thoughts. In God-like thinking, we affirm our own dignity, we understand the call to authentic living and we recognize the need to acknowledge the truth of God in this world. As our words and actions name our belief in Christ to the world, it builds our relationship with Him here, so that we are prepared to live with Him forever in Heaven.</p> <p>On Friday (June 23) we celebrated the Solemnity of</p>	<p>The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, a feast and a date very significant to me. For those of us over 60 years old, devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus was a hallmark of the Church as we grew up. At the entrance of our church we have a beautiful statue of the Sacred Heart. Growing up, we made a constant effort to get to Mass and Communion on nine consecutive first Fridays of the month, this assuring ourselves of "the grace of final repentance." (Seems something always intervened and we had to start over.)</p> <p>Looking back over my own life, I can recognize the many human hearts, parents, siblings, teachers, mentors, friends who have expressed God's love for me. Through such a reflection, one can realize the power that the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus provides us to enable, encourage, heal and sustain each other in our union with Christ in the service of the Gospel.</p> <p>I would suggest that our contemporary devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus might consist in recognizing how God has loved us through many human hearts and how we might express God's love for others, through our own hearts.</p> <p>God Bless, Father Gerry</p>
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Something to Think About

1. **Three ways to fail at everything in life: 1) Complain about everything. 2) Blame others for your problems. 3) Never be grateful.**
2. **Just because you had some bad chapters in your life doesn't mean the story can't end well. Turn the page and never look back.**
3. **If you get tired, learn to rest, not quit.**
4. **Be thankful for today, because in one moment, your whole life could change.**
5. **Teachers are solar-powered. They recharge during the summer!**

IN THE CHARITY OF YOUR PRAYERS, PLEASE REMEMBER: Francis Isaac, Pat Losier, Sylvia McKiel, Charlie Roherty, Kelly McAloon, Harry "Hap" Vautour, Edward Savoy

Stewardship for the week ending June 25th 2017

Envelopes	2420.50
Loose	284.05
Food Bank	40.00
Pre-Authorized Debit	448.65
Total	3193.20

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

Upcoming Events

SUMMER BLAST OFF BINGO will be held at St. Pius X Parish Hall on Somerset Street, Wednesday, June 28th. Early Bird Games begin at 6 p.m. and Regular Games at 7 p.m. \$20/Person. \$1,000 Jackpot with Canteen available.

Bishop Harris invites you to a special Mass celebrating Canada's 150th Birthday. The Mass will be celebrated on July 1 at 9:00 a.m. at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Waterloo Street, Saint John. All are invited to pray for our country as we prepare to celebrate the day.

 Would the person or family using **Envelope #335** please record your name and address on your next contribution. Apologies for the inconvenience. Thank you!

PRO-LIFE ROSARY – Monday June 26th at 3 :00 PM. All welcome.

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

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.

Confirmation and First Communion Photos may be picked up at the back of the Church.

The **Office will be closed on Monday, June 26**, while Marijke attends a Diocesan Secretaries' Workshop. Apologies for the inconvenience.

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!

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.

Canada Day Prayer Celebration – 11:30 AM-12:30 PM at Fort LaTour (along Harbour Passage). Special prayer, rosary, fellowship, refreshment, community. **All welcome – come celebrate the 150th!**

Card Party - Holy Trinity hosts an Auction 45s Card Party **every Monday** beginning at 1 pm in the Family Center, 11 Canon Street. Light refreshments will be served. Admission is \$3.

Sanctuary Lamp

In Memory of Geraldine and Gertrude O'Brien

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.

