



SACRED HEART CATHEDRAL BULLETIN

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18th Sunday in Ordinary time



WEEKLY EVENTS, CELEBRATIONS & MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, August 1st

9:00am: + Malgorzata Andrzejczak **10:30am:** For All Parishioners,
12pm: + Louise et Paul Deligny

Monday	2	12:10 pm	
Tuesday	3	12:10 pm	
Wednesday	4	12:10 pm	<i>St- Jean Marie Vianney</i>
Thursday	5	12:10 pm	
Friday	6	12:10 pm	+ Rodrigo Prado <i>Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord</i>
Saturday	7	5:00 pm	

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

FR. SLAWEK WILL BE IN VACATION: JULY 26-31. You can always reach the parish office anytime by email: office@sacredheartcathedral.ca

BEST WISHES to Gary & Caroline Knickle on their 25th wedding anniversary. May God bless you both!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY to our dear Dawn Kobewka! Many blessings on your birthday!

DIOCESE AND VATICAN NEWS AND EVENTS

HOLY FATHER PRAYER INTENTION FOR AUGUST: We pray for the Church.

Let us pray for the Church, that she may receive from the Holy Spirit the grace and strength to reform herself in the light of the Gospel.

Saturday Eucharist

5:00 p.m.

Sunday Eucharist

9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.

12:00 p.m. (French)

7:00 p.m.

Weekday Eucharist

Mon to Fri - 12:10 p.m.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Thursday - 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Reconciliation

Monday to Friday - 11:30 - 12:00 pm

Saturday - 4:00 - 4:45 p.m.

(or call for an appointment)

Baptism Preparation

The first & second Fridays of each month at 7pm in rectory.

Parish Council:

James Caudle (Chair),
Susan Mariano (Vice Chair)
Eric Soprovich (Secretary)
Ammilou Pelayo, Myriam Lafrance, Michael Reyes and Caroline Knickle

Office Hours

Mon Tues Thurs Fri 9:00 a.m. to 3:00pm

Closed Wednesday

Bishop

Most Reverend Hector Vila

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MUSINGS

The 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Some Musings

“Do not work for food that perishes but for food that lasts for eternal life.”

I recall watching a pair of squirrels tussling over a walnut. They went at each other as though their very lives depended on the outcome of the battle. And perhaps they did. It was in the autumn of the year and I imagine they were storing up supplies for the winter. The people following our Lord seemed to be doing the same thing. They had heard of Jesus taking into His hand the five loaves and the two fish and feeding many people. It seems they're saying, "You did it for them they say; so now prove yourself to us by doing the same thing here." They were, in effect, testing Jesus. There seems to be a great deal of testing going on here. First the Israelites test God's ability to provide for their needs in the desert. And of course, in the Old Testament there are many references to a variety of situations where people want to test the Lord.

I don't think that has changed that much. We hear people say, "If God is good why does He allow these terrible things to go on?" I think the better question is, "Why do **we** allow these things to go on?"

Trying to understand the reason for the way things are is difficult. There are wars, pandemics, heinous acts against God's people. But it is not God Who allows those things to happen, it's our own fallen humanity that causes the grief in our world. We have a good and loving God and He has given us free will. It is up to us to choose the higher road, perhaps the more difficult path to salvation. While blaming God for these things is easier than taking the responsibility on our own shoulders it is not what God wants. We complain that there's hunger in the world; but what part do we play in that? Are we careful about using our resources or do we squander the rich resources of our world? Answering that question honestly should make us open our eyes to the part we play in the condoning the evils in our world. When we ask God to prove that He still cares for us by performing some miracle, we're simply testing Him. I've often wondered if He doesn't say to us, "You perform that miracle of feeding those thousands. Where is your faith?" When I consider that miracle that these people want performed, I often wonder if the miracle Jesus performed was due in part to people in the crowd sharing what little they had. I wonder if some were shamed by that young boy willing to share and opened their hearts to share what little they had as well.

When Jesus tells them that the Father has sent them the Bread of Life, we can perhaps forgive the fact that they don't seem to understand. It is difficult to understand the workings of God. He has sent His Son who has given himself for the life of the world! And we can forget how truly blessed we are. We have been given divine Food, Food that lasts!

Around us every day are the miracles of God expressing His love for His people. We have beautiful sunrises and sunsets; the clouds play hide and seek for our entertainment and the little creatures who inhabit our world give us joy if we take the time to enjoy their romping. Let's be gracious and thank our loving God for these great blessings.

Wishing you a week of blessings and many small miracles. Betty Bruch

PRAYER INTENTIONS

LET'S KEEP IN OUR PRAYERS:

For Ray Chalifoux, for his recovery.

For the repose of the soul of Richard Kinney. For the repose of the soul of Gertrude Girouard.

We pray for all people affected by COVID-19; for the doctors, nurses, people working to provide services and much needed supplies to others, and for priests who continue to help with those affected by COVID-19.

For the souls of those who have died while in the care of residential schools, for healing for those who have suffered themselves from the effect of the residential school system and for the ongoing process of reconciliation in our Diocese.

DE SEMAINE EN SEMAINE

1^{er} août 2021 -- 18e dimanche du Temps Ordinaire

Le Célébrant aujourd'hui le 1^{er} août : Fr. Slawomir

Intention de prière du Saint-Père : l'Église

Prions pour l'Église, afin qu'elle reçoive du Saint-Esprit la grâce et la force de se réformer à la lumière de l'Évangile.

LA TRANSFIGURATION DU SEIGNEUR : vendredi le 6 août.

Procédures pour Covid-19 : masque, distanciation, désinfection des mains à l'entrée et à la sortie.

Écrivez votre nom et # de téléphone sur la feuille de présence.

ANNIVERSAIRES : Le 7 : Yves Titley

Le 8 : Eliane Cloutier

INTENTION DE MESSE : Le 1^{er} : +Louise et Paul Deligny, demandé par Yann Herry.

SECRÉTAIRE DE LA PAROISSE : Fr. Slawomir est en vacances jusqu'au 31 juillet. Vous pouvez contacter le bureau du presbytère en laissant un message au 667-2437 ou par courriel : office@sacredheartcathedral.ca