

Thirteenth Week of Ordinary Time

Sunday is the **Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**. In **Luke's Gospel** we hear of Jesus “resolutely determined to journey to Jerusalem” but not being welcomed by all. When Jesus invites: “Follow me” he is put off with excuses. “No one who sets a hand to the plow and looks to what was left behind is fit for the kingdom of God.”

Tuesday is the **Memorial of Saint Irenaeus, Bishop and Martyr**. Wednesday is the **Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles**, with its own special readings.

The first readings this week are from the **Book of the Prophet Amos**. Amos was a shepherd who was called to deliver God's word to the northern kingdom, Israel.

Matthew's Gospel takes us through several stories about Jesus' ministry. We begin as Jesus demonstrates that following him requires a radical change in life: “Follow me, and let the dead bury their dead.” Jesus calms the storm at sea. Then he drives demons out of two men living among the tombs. When a paralyzed man is brought to him, Jesus has compassion on the man and forgives his sins, which causes a controversy. Jesus then heals the man's paralysis. He calls Matthew to leave his customs post and follow him, and the many tax collectors and sinners who come to have dinner with Jesus cause a controversy with the religious leaders. “Those who are well do not need a physician, but the sick do. Go and learn the meaning of the words, 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' I did not come to call the righteous but sinners.” When Jesus' disciples are criticized for not fasting, Jesus talks about the difficulty of combining the old and the new. He is calling for something radically new. Not a patch, but new wine in new wineskins.

Daily Prayer This Week

One of the blessings of reading passages that describe Jesus' ministry is that they can help us become more and more attracted to him. We can become fascinated by his pastoral care for those on the margins of society or his courage in the face of opposition. The more we watch Jesus, the easier it is for us to fall in love with him. Being drawn to Jesus with growing affection will ultimately lead us to want to be with him and like him.

So each morning this week we can begin our day with a very brief prayer. “Lord, let me see you, love you and desire to follow you more closely today.” We might say, “Drive away the demons that tempt my spirit today” on one day and repeat that prayer at various times, especially when we are tempted to look good, or to escape into over-indulgence with food or drink or fantasies, or when we are tempted to let anger get the better of us. On another day, we might pray, “Dear Lord, I get paralyzed sometimes - just stuck and unable to move. Free me today, by reminding me of your love and mercy.” Still another day, we might ask, “Let me respond to your call with the freedom Matthew had.” We might turn to the Lord some day and simply say, “Lord, I know you desire mercy and not sacrifice, please free me from the judgments I will be tempted to make today.” Finally, I might pray, “Lord, pour your new wine into me. Let me be a new wineskin to receive it. Give me the freedom today to let your word transform how I act and how I choose today.”

The key to finding intimacy with our God in the midst of our busy lives is to let God's Word interact with the real events and people who are there. No matter what our responsibilities are today, no matter how unrelated they seem to be to faith or devotion, and no matter how busy we might be, we can all let God's Word into the background, in brief moments of connection, conversation and intimacy. All it takes is desire and focus.

As we practice using the background moments of our days, we will grow in experiencing that this intimacy is possible. And, when we sense it and enjoy it, and see what a difference it makes, let's not forget to give thanks each evening for the gifts we have received.

[Creighton U Online Ministries](#)

MASS SCHEDULE 2022

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| Jun 28, 2022 | Tue | St. Matthews Worship Site | 7pm | NO MASS |
| Jun 30, 2022 | Thur | St. Rose Worship Site | 12:10pm | NO MASS |
| Jul 02, 2022 | Sat | St. Rose Worship Site | 4pm | Ralph Magee Kim Melanson |
| Jul 03, 2022 | Sun | St. Rose Worship Site | 9am | Joseph LeBlanc Jackie Barns |
| Jul 03, 2022 | Sun | St. Matthews Worship Site | 11am | David Goddard |

****THERE WILL BE NO WEEKDAY MASSES DURING THE MONTH OF JUNE****

HAPPY CANADA DAY



BOTTLES FOR LIFE: A fundraising campaign for New Brunswick Right to Life. Drop your refundable bottles at the Golden Mile Redemption Centre, 35 Linton Rd, and tell the teller they are for the New Brunswick Right to Life Fundraiser. If you are unable to bring your bottles to the redemption centre, you can contact the Saint John Chapter of NBRL at: sjrighttolife@gmail.com to arrange for a volunteer to pick them up. Please invite your friends and family to help with this important fundraiser!

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY - The Roman Catholic Diocese of Saint John, located at 1 Bayard Drive in Saint John, NB, is seeking a full-time Director of Finance and Administration. For more information and to apply, please visit: Applications will be accepted until Thursday, June 30, 2022.

https://www.careerbeacon.com/en/job/1801606/239463/director-of-finance-and-administration/saint-john-nb?preview=true?utm_source=share-email&utm_medium=careerbeacon&utm_campaign=refer.

Bridge of Roses: The Story of Our Lady of the Cape

Wednesday, July 6th @ 6:30 PM, 1 Bayard Dr., Diocesan Building 3rd floor. Come and see the miraculous story of the Canadian National Shrine of Our Lady of the Cape. **FREE ADMISSION**

There are still plenty of commemorative coins available. Contact the office during office hours to arrange for pick-up of this wonderful tribute to our former St. Augustine church.



By their action, you will recognize them. If you want to be part of an organization that is building a better world, family, parish, one community at a time, contact us!
Council 9176 – Grand Knight – Keith Doiron @ 506-738-8989
email: keithdrn717@gmail.com



Legion of Mary

The members of the Legion of Mary would like to invite you to pray the Rosary with us every Tuesday night after Mass. We gather in the sacristy of St. Matthews Worship Site. Our meetings are Tuesday at 7:30pm following Mass or at 7pm if there is no weekly Mass that Tuesday. We are also looking for new members. Mary, the mother of Jesus welcomes you!

Susan Smith, Francine Doiron & Amanda Muise – Legion of Mary

COLLECTIONS - THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!!!

Jun 19, 2022 – Regular \$1,850.00 Loose - \$304.15

Cathedral Restoration Project - \$840.00 Food Bank - \$20.00

PAD Weekly Average - \$1,694.00 PAD BLDG - \$179.00

THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO CONTINUE TO DROP OFF OR MAIL THEIR MONETARY DONATIONS. WITHOUT THIS EFFORT WE WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO MEET OUR EXPENSES.

LOOKING FOR A VOLUNTEER(S)

The Statue of Mary at the entrance of St. Augustine's Cemetery needs to be cleaned and painted. If you or someone you know would be able to do this please contact the office at 506-738-2320

Six-Day Guided Retreat: The Sisters of Charity of the Immaculate Conception and the Villa Madonna are presenting a six-day guided retreat hosted by Fr. Paul Hansen, C.Ss.R. from July 11-17 at the Villa Madonna Retreat House in Rothesay. Talks will include: Our God is a Triune Love, Source of Love, Word of Love, Spirit of Love, Christ is the blueprint or template of Love which is God, Creator Christ, Personal Christ, and Spirit Within. Cost is \$85/day and includes accommodations and meals. For more information or to register, please call (506) 849-5125 or email villamadonna@nb.aibn.com.

The UCW at Westfield United Church are having another Strawberry "Non-Social" Drive-Thru Fundraiser (Monday, July 4th). ****ADVANCE TICKETS ONLY MUST be purchased BEFORE June 27th**** from the Grand Bay Home Hardware or by calling Judy (647-1849). Tickets are \$15 each for a Full Portion / \$7.50 for a Half Portion. It will be a cold plate with ham, salads and strawberry shortcake! Pick up times will be in half hour blocks (beginning at 3:30pm, with the last block at 5:30-6:00pm) on July 4th from Westfield United Church parking lot (133 Nerepis Road, Grand Bay-Westfield). No need to leave your vehicle to pick up your supper!



The next monthly Mass for Those Living with Cancer at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception will be celebrated on Monday, June 27, at 6:30 pm.

BLESSINGS & CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2022 GRADUATES AND ALL STUDENTS COMPLETING THEIR SCHOOL YEAR HAVE A SAFE AND BLESSED SUMMER!

OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday - Friday: 9 am to 4 pm
SMWS - Office Number - 738-2320
SRWS - Office Number - 653-6850
Monday: both offices closed

CONTACT INFORMATION

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(506)738-2320 Fax: (506)653-6865
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St. Rose of Lima Worship Site (SRWS)
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WEBSITE: www.holyspiritrcparish.ca

HOLY SPIRIT PARISH

ST. MATTHEWS & ST. ROSE WORSHIP SITES

We are a welcoming community of growing disciples who share our faith, support one another, and lead others to Jesus.

13th Sunday of Ordinary Time – June 26, 2022

For the Month of June the bulletin, altar wine, bread is in memory of Leonard & Eldora Martin

PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR PEACE

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CONTACT INFORMATION

Holy Spirit Parish –Please contact Linda Spinney at 636-0677 or email her at linspin@nbnet.nb.ca

Gentle Path – Counselling Services – Pathways to Hope

Gentle Path Counselling Services provides counselling at the 28 Richmond Street Office and is now scheduling appointments at Horizon's Market Place Wellness Centre in the Lower West Side

We offer counselling for:

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| Anxiety | Addictions | Grief & Loss | Domestic Violence |
| Couples Counselling | Sexual Assault Trauma | Self Esteem & Body Image | Sexual Identity & Orientation |
| PTSD | Parenting | Depression | First Nations |
| Kids & Teens | Blended Families | Anger Management | Work Related Issues |

(Subsidies are available)

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