

Daily Prayer This Week – July 10 – 16, 2022- [Creighton U Online Ministries](#)

This week, we are invited to place our trust in God as we respond more and more deeply to the invitation of Jesus to be his disciples. Being his disciple means being connected with him in a bond stronger than any other bond in our life - one which may set us at odds with others. Seeking self-fulfillment will always be frustrating and unattainable. Letting go of ourselves for Jesus' sake brings a fulfillment beyond our imagining.

It is not enough to be part of a wonderful family or outstanding parish community. We need to make our own commitment. Being smart or clever is not what is required of us. Jesus asks us to be childlike: trusting, dependent, open to learning and receiving. Being his disciples means that we come to Jesus with all our needs, especially for the resources we need to serve him. It is as companions of Jesus' own mission that the burden of our mission will become lighter and quite easy. Coming to Jesus will bring refreshment and peace. A sign of our discipleship will never be self righteousness or judging others. What he desires is that our hearts become like his: full of mercy and love. His own heart is moved with pity for those who are wandering, without direction, as though shepherd-less.

How can we find intimacy with God in the midst of our busy lives, while reflecting on our discipleship? By letting these precious messages of Jesus to us settle into our hearts. If we really hear them, they will become a part of us this week. It doesn't take much time; just more focus. Each day, we can let these words of Jesus interact with what is going on in our daily lives. The call to be bonded with him might strike a chord in our hearts: I might recognize that my bond with Jesus is weak, and I have a desire for a deeper intimacy. Or, I might hear the invitation to let go of my need for self fulfillment in order to find real meaning in life and the true self within me. Perhaps I might feel the call to repent or to be more trusting and childlike -- or to be less judgmental and more merciful.

All we need to do is to begin each day simply naming these desires that the readings reveal in us. Then, throughout the day, in the in-between times - dressing, showering, walking from one place to another, finding myself alone here or there - I can have brief conversations with Jesus asking for these graces. In particularly difficult times, or in times when my weaknesses reveal themselves to me, I can recognize that desire more deeply and express that to the Lord, growing in gratitude for the intimacy and grace I am experiencing each day.

Daily Prayer This Week – July 17 – 23, 2022 - [Creighton U Online Ministries](#)

It is helpful to be reminded by Jesus this week that to be his disciple is not about comparing ourselves with each other. It is not about a competition to be greater than another. It is about being servants of each other and being like him, who came to give his life away. As we pray this week, in the background of our daily lives, we can reflect upon all the relationships in our lives and ask for the grace to come to know the needs of each person in my life and for the grace to be servant as Jesus is servant.

The parable of the sower can be a wonderful source of reflection this week. We can do it in a variety of ways, but it might be helpful to just take one kind of soil to reflect on each day. Each day we can begin -- as we first get out of bed, in the shower, while dressing, eating, driving, walking from one place to another, shopping -- by asking for the grace to understand how parts of me are like this soil.

Seed sown on the hard path: I can ask to know how the Word is simply stolen away from my heart. What is hard-hearted in me? What hardens me? How am I not open? What saps my spirits, my hope, my faith?

Seed sown on rocky ground: I can ask to know how I sometimes initially receive the Word readily, even with joy, but my lack of deep roots leads to my losing heart when troubles come. When do I lose courage? How do I believe the Word but fail to pay the price for living it? How can I develop deeper roots?

Seed sown among thorns: I can ask for the grace to know how I initially welcome the Word, but then let anxieties and the lure of riches choke the Word so it can't bear fruit. What kind of worldly anxieties trouble me? What kind of attractions, possessions, addictions affect my freedom and peace? What grace in me isn't bearing fruit? How can I be freer, live more simply, with more surrender?

Seed sown on rich soil. I can ask for the grace to hear the Word and understand it and to bear much fruit. What will help me, prepare me to be more receptive? What environment, activities, service will help?

Each night, we can give thanks for these reflections that help us examine our daily live and grow in love, in freedom and in fruitfulness.

PARISH... POSSIBILITIES... PROJECTS

The 'Revitalization Committee, 'while respecting our past, and our traditions, is always looking forward, asking questions and open to new ideas. This must be the goal for any church or social group. This group has a mandate to help govern the necessary needs of our **parish** community. Along with the guidance of the Holy Spirit we seek **possibilities** to minister to others.

Even though we are still faced with a pandemic, the Spirit is not smothered. In fact, the pandemic continues to offer possibilities to be a 'new church,' to put our faith and our traditions into practice. Over the last few years many groups have had limited opportunities to meet and exercise their ministries. On Saturday, July 23, the Revitalization Committee is inviting the various groups and ministries, for a special **project...** to come to a day of 'visioning' and 'discussion': to evaluate where we have been and to look at what needs to be addressed. We will be inviting the Chair of each committee along with two others to join us in brainstorming for our parish. This will be a time to put all our ideas together, to 'brainstorm' what our needs and the needs of our community are. From former ministries can come 'new ministries and projects'.

If you have been asked to participate, I hope you will take this invitation serious. As you know, I am a firm believer that **ALL THE BAPTIZED** are called to minister to one another. In many ways, this is a new beginning for all of us. After two years of restraints, let us take this time to put our house in order so that we may begin in September to embrace those opportunities to reveal Jesus to one another. That was the mandate of Jesus Christ. He always gave people, including us, another chance to be the people that we are called to be.

In the Gospel of Matthew, chapter 25 we hear, *35For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was homeless (stranger) and you welcomed me, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.' "Then the righteous will answer him, 'LORD, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? When did we see you a homeless (stranger and invite you in), or needing clothes and clothe you? 39When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?' 40" The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.'*

Parish, Possibilities and Projects... coming together, sharing our faith and building a stronger and more vibrant church.

Fr. David

WE NEED YOUR HELP!!

We are in need of servers for funerals at both worship sites. If you are retired, male or female, we need your help. Training will be provided.

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.

****THIS BULLETIN IS FOR THE TWO WEEKS****

MASS SCHEDULE 2022

Jul 12, 2022	Tue	St. Matthews Worship Site	7pm	NO MASS
Jul 14, 2022	Thur	St. Rose Worship Site	12:10pm	NO MASS
Jul 16, 2022	Sat	St. Rose Worship Site	4pm	Helen & Stewart Allen Andrea Limkilde
Jul 17, 2022	Sun	St. Rose Worship Site	9am	Mangela Green Leah Theall
Jul 17, 2022	Sun	St. Matthews Worship Site	11am	Rachel Quinn
Jul 19, 2022	Tue	St. Matthews Worship Site	7pm	Special Intentions Anita Barnes Lily Ouellette
Jul 21, 2022	Thur	St. Rose Worship Site	12:10pm	Walter Page DFM of McHughs
Jul 23, 2022	Sat	St. Rose Worship Site	4pm	Rosalie & Albert Melanson Millie & Murray Kingston Kim Melanson
Jul 24, 2022	Sun	St. Rose Worship Site	9am	Eileen Gogan Mary Gogan
Jul 24, 2022	Sun	St. Matthews Worship Site	11am	June McEachern

PLEASE NOTE – SUMMER HOURS ARE NOW IN EFFECT
OFFICE IS OPENED TUE 9AM – 4PM @ SMWS
WED & THUR – 9AM – 4PM @ SRWS

Sunday Exposition/Adoration: July 10, 17 & 24, 2022 - St. Rose of Lima 1-2 p.m.

COLLECTIONS - THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!!!

Jul 03, 2022 – Regular \$1,997.00 Loose - \$304.00 Food Bank - \$90.00 Building Fund - \$524.00
 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.

This weekend we welcome into our Faith Community through the waters of Baptism
Evan Jan Wilson Crowley

Eternal Rest Grant unto them O Lord...” Our prayers and condolences go out to the families of
Charlie McTague, Andrew Martin, Stephen (Gerry) Doyle and Evan Walsh of Miramachi.

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.

OFFICE HOURS

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

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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.

Ordinary Time – July 10 & 17, 2022

For the Month of July the bulletin, altar wine, bread and sanctuary light are in memory of David Goddard

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:

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

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