

Daily Prayer This Week – July 24 – 30, 2022- [Creighton U Online Ministries](#)

This whole week could be a time for each of us to grow in a sense of what we most deeply desire. If we let Sunday's gospel open our hearts we might find ourselves asking, begging God for what we need.

And we can let the daily gospels renew our hope. Have we become cynical and jaded a bit? The world does seem to be like a field someone sowed weeds into. The growth of God's reign in this world doesn't seem to be growing, and the seeds seem so small. This is a good week to get in touch with what is discouraged in our hearts and to let the courage the Lord is offering us renew us. He promises that even small seeds work and that even a little yeast allows dough to grow. The process is sometimes imperceptible, but that's why Jesus reminds us to place our trust in him. Our own hearts might be full of weeds, but the Lord doesn't want us ripping ourselves apart. He is full of mercy and healing reconciliation. Jesus does not want us to be scandalized by the evil we see in the world. God is patient. And, God alone will judge.

So every day this week, we can begin our day, establishing a focus. This might be while standing next to our bed for a brief minute, or while pouring ourselves a cup of coffee, or while washing or getting dressed. This is the time that can transform any busy day into a more focused time of connection with our Lord. Using all sorts of background times throughout the day will take no "extra" time for prayer, but will make it possible to let these powerful scriptures interact with the daily events and relationships with which we are involved.

One morning we might begin our day, simply by saying, "Lord, thank you for this day. Help me to pay attention to what and who I'm treasuring today." Or, "Lord, be with me this day and help me check my need to judge others. Help me place my trust in you today." While in the shower or going to work I might talk with the Lord about the day ahead, asking for particular help, focus, or a new way of valuing during that difficult 10 a.m. meeting or with the clients or students or patients I will see. While doing the wash or shopping or preparing meals or while taking time with my family or friends in the evening, I can let myself have these 30 second friend-to-friend conversations with the Lord. The readings provide a compass for our daily journey, but it is the continual practice at connecting with our Lord that carries us through the day. Looking back and saying "thank you" every night, if even for 30 seconds, will gradually transform us and give us more courage and hope.

Daily Prayer This Week – July 31 – Aug 06, 2022 - [Creighton U Online Ministries](#)

This week we can ask, in the variety of ways and situations each day, that our eyes might be opened to see Jesus as he really is - glorified, with the Father, and ready to renew our faith and trust in him.

As we begin our day, and at brief times throughout our day, we can pull our consciousness together by letting the themes of this week's reading guide us. One day, we might ask to keep our eyes fixed on Jesus as we go through a day full of strong wind and waves. We can ask again and again, as things get tougher and more challenging.

Another day, we might focus on what comes out of our mouths. Is there cynicism, judgments, distortions of the truth, divisive and self-serving manipulation, yelling and hurtful put-downs? Do I practice using my voice to give praise to God by affirming others, forgiving them, by telling the truth, by defending the poor and the voiceless, by giving God thanks? Another day, I might be conscious of those I regard as "dogs," those I disdain or think of as "the enemy." I might ask for the grace to open my heart to whatever faith in God they have, however different from mine. I might ask for a sense of solidarity with them, not because it is my desire or inclination, but because it is God's desire for me.

How can I heal and reconcile, at least in my heart, what needs healing: racism, sexism, anti-Semitism, negative stereotypes towards those I see as "foreigners"? How can I be relieved of my hostility against the poor or being judgmental about sinners? Later in the week, we can get in touch with the call of Jesus to deny ourselves. This is not self-denial for its own sake. This is the dying to self that comes from loving in the self-sacrificing way that Jesus did.

Who in my family, friends, relative, co-workers and members of my parish or congregation needs my self-denying love? How have I focused on "gaining the world" and lost some of my true self in the process? Is there some way this week that I can taste discovering my true self in giving some time, some compassion, some love, some special care to someone who needs this from me?

And throughout the week, perhaps at a special time of powerlessness or some time when I feel that I don't have the energy or gifts to do the "more," to move a mountain, I can ask for faith the size of a mustard seed. And, each night I can give thanks to God for being generous to me all week, for this simple focus on our relationship every day.

Papal Visit to Canada – Pray, Watch, Reflect – Walking Together...

As we prepare to welcome Pope Francis to Canada, we invite Catholics from across the country to participate in this historic journey in a number of different ways. In addition to television coverage of papal events, visit www.papalvisit.ca or www.visitepapale.ca to access more than 10 livestream links of coverage featuring interpretation in many languages (including Indigenous languages), as well as livestream links from Vatican TV including commentary.

Salt & Light Catholic Media Foundation has a dedicated site for information and broadcast details for the papal visit - <https://slmedia.org/popeincanada> (English) or <https://slmedia.org/fr/papeaucanada> (French).

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:

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.

Applications will be accepted until **July 29, 2022**.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION INFORMATION

Preparations are underway for the 2022/23 school year in Religious Education, and registration will be available online in August, please watch for announcements in future bulletins or on the website or Facebook pages. Please remember that every child must be registered each and every school year. The plan this year is to meet in person at St Matthew's, schedule to be announced when registration numbers are available, but there will still be online access for circumstances requiring it.

If anyone is interested or curious about volunteering, please contact me with any questions you may have, including those kind and generous people who have already expressed interest that I was unable to follow through with due to the precautions.

When registration becomes active, marking the new term, there will also be a new email address which will become effective for those families who register, and for anyone with questions, in order to maintain some order between old and new classes. The new address will be holyspiriteducationsj@gmail.com

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 them pick up. Please invite your friends and family to help with this important fundraiser!

Music at Portland - July 26, August 2, 9 at Portland United Church, 50 Newport Crescent (lower parking lot) Bring a chair and a free will offering for the North End Food Bank. If inclement weather, we move inside to the Sanctuary. Performers are July 26 - Don't Tell Roy - acoustic duo; August 2 - Delbert & Debbie; August 9 - The Spinnaker Brothers - acoustic duo.

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

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| Jul 26, 2022 | Tue | St. Matthews Worship Site | 7pm | NO MASS |
| Jul 28, 2022 | Thur | St. Rose Worship Site | 12:10pm | NO MASS |
| Jul 30, 2022 | Sat | St. Rose Worship Site | 4pm | Matilda Richard Bertha Ferguson |
| Jul 31, 2022 | Sun | St. Rose Worship Site | 9am | Mr. & Mrs. Eddie Bordage Mr. & Mrs. Emil Bordage |
| Jul 31, 2022 | Sun | St. Matthews Worship Site | 11am | Special Intentions |
| Aug 02, 2022 | Tue | St. Matthews Worship Site | 7pm | NO MASS |
| Aug 04, 2022 | Thur | St. Rose Worship Site | 12:10pm | NO MASS |
| Aug 06, 2022 | Sat | St. Rose Worship Site | 4pm | Dorothy & Wilbur Doyle & DFM Millie Kingston |
| Aug 07, 2022 | Sun | St. Rose Worship Site | 9am | Clifford & Christine LeBlanc Stewart & Helen Allen |
| Aug 07, 2022 | Sun | St. Matthews Worship Site | 11am | Kenny Martin Jayne Cormier |

PLEASE NOTE – SUMMER HOURS ARE NOW IN EFFECT

OFFICE IS OPENED TUE 9AM – 4PM @ SMWS

WED & THUR – 9AM – 4PM @ SRWS

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

Sunday Exposition/Adoration: Aug 7, 14 & 21, 2022 - St. Rose of Lima 1-2 p.m.

COLLECTIONS - THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!!!

Jul 10, 2022 – Regular \$2,200.00 Loose - \$249.00 Food Bank - \$20.00 Building Fund - \$605.00

Cathedral Restoration - \$305.00 PAD Weekly Average - \$1,694.00 PAD BLDG - \$179.00

Jul 17, 2022 – Regular \$1,729.00 Loose - \$248.00 Food Bank - \$40.00

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.**

We welcome into our Faith Community through the waters of Baptism

Marleigh Lynn Doreen McCullough – July 16, 2022

Lakelyn Diane Logan – July 30, 2022

Zoey Heather Marie Lloyd, Anne Elizabeth Barnes &

Thomas John Wilson – August 6, 2022

Eternal Rest Grant unto them O Lord...” Our prayers and condolences go out to the families of Peter Leger, Lloyd Owens, Ethel Doucet (Mother of Fr. Paul Doucet) and Peter Chouinard.

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 24 & 31, 2022

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

For the Month of August the Sanctuary Light is in memory of Rose Anna Pitre

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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