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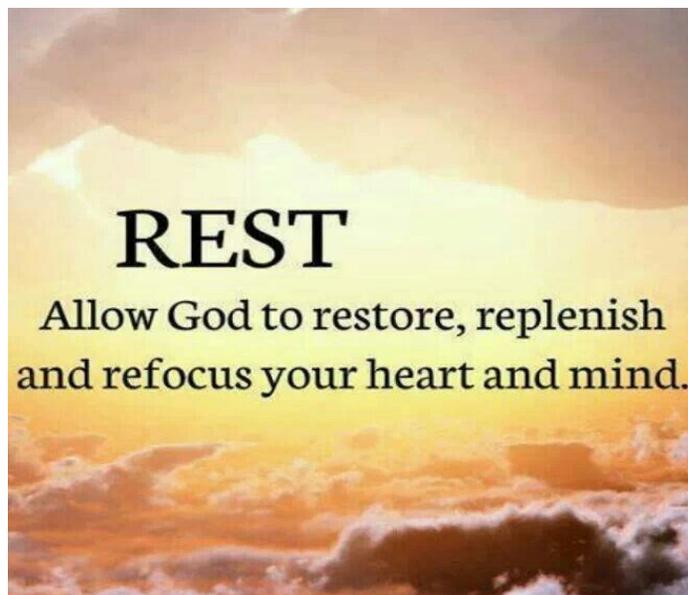
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Amherstburg-Harrow Catholic Family of Parishes

July 18, 2021

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Regular Mass Times and Location

Weekday

Tuesday 6pm - Harrow

Wednesday 9am - Amherstburg

Thursday 9am - Harrow

Friday 9am - Amherstburg

Weekend

Saturday 5pm - Amherstburg

Sunday 9am - Harrow

Sunday 11am - Amherstburg

Bulletin Notices

All submissions must be in writing or
emailed no later than Tuesday at 4:00 pm

*Our office is closed
due to Covid restrictions.
Phone messages will be answered
in a timely fashion*

Our Masses will be live streamed Tuesday at 6pm, Wednesday - Friday at 9am and Saturday 5pm and on Sunday at 9am on Facebook: Amherstburg-Harrow Catholic Family of Parishes. You can also view later once it is posted to our Facebook page.

Weekday Mass & Mass Intentions

Tuesday, July 20, 2021 6pm St. Anthony
 † Tokey Ryan by the Ryan Family
 † Patricia Emond by Marie Mifsud
 † Ronnie McDonald
 † Mary Katherine Vanadrichem

Wednesday, July 21, 2021 9am St. John the Baptist
 † Robert Gary Affleck by the Affleck Family
 † Barb Souliere by Betty & Bob Arsenault

Thursday, July 22, 2021 9am St. Anthony
 † Gloria Stomp by AHCFOF
 † Anselmo Carvalho
 † Alda Martins by Eduarda & Carlos Teves

Friday, July 23, 2021 9am St. John the Baptist
 † Mike Pasco (1st Ann.) by Sharon & Richard Barron
 † Pat Higgins by Joanne Higgins

Weekday Mass & Mass Intentions

Tuesday, July 27, 2021 6pm St. Anthony
 † Anselmo Carvalho by Vitiato Carreira
 † Alda Martins by Linda & John Rocha

Wednesday, July 28, 2021 9am St. John the Baptist
 † Antoinette Faucher by AHCFOF
 † Robert Affleck by Maria & Donato Menna

Thursday, July 29, 2021 9am St. Anthony
 † Jimmy Gomes by Laurinda Carvalho
 † Art Gomes by Laurinda Carvalho

Friday, July 30, 2021 9am St. John the Baptist
 † Robert Bondy by AHCFOF



Divine Mercy Hour
 at St John the Baptist Church
 Every Friday afternoon at 3pm
 In the church proper.
 Come and pray for mercy
 on the whole world

Please join us
 every Wednesday
 from
 1pm - 3pm and 7pm - 9pm
**For Adoration of the Blessed
 Sacrament**
 at St. John the Baptist Church




Financial Report for the Month of June 2021

St. John the Baptist Parish		St. Anthony of Padua Parish	
Regular Sunday Offertory	\$12,746.80	Regular Sunday Offertory	\$ 4,037.00
Debits and e-transfers	\$11,176.67	Debits & e-transfers	\$ 2,230.00
Capital Account	\$ 3,150.33	Capital Fund	\$ 426.50
Fund Raiser Gift Card Profit YTD	\$ 181.60		
On Going Profit to Date	\$314,307.74		



Sunday Reading Reflection

In Paul's letter to the Ephesians this weekend, he notes that Jesus "is our peace...He came and preached peace to you". Are we people of peace? As we look at our world, we see many areas that are not at peace, either at the hands of humankind or through natural factors. Sadly, there are many areas of our world that are experiencing war and violence. Lives destroyed and damaged often for political or "personal" gain. Rather than try to live in harmony and try to respect one another, there are too many examples of humanity trying to dominate, exploit or oppress their "neighbour". I think of the various Christians in our world that are regularly persecuted merely because they are followers of Jesus. The stories we hear of the hostility they often endure trying to live in countries where Christianity is not the predominant faith. The violence that is reported in our own country against those of particular races or different belief systems. As well, we have many areas in turmoil due to natural disasters – lives disrupted due to fire, storms, earthquakes. Where is the peace? We are called to be the peace, following the example of Jesus. We are called to treat one another with the dignity and respect that each person is entitled to as a son or daughter of God – and to encourage others to do the same. We are the ones called to reach out to bring peace to those in need by providing aid to our "neighbour" – by prayer, financial assistance, or sharing our time. As the hymn connected to St. Francis says, "Make me a channel of your peace". We are to be the channel of Christ's peace in our world. Let us ask Jesus to help us fulfill the teaching that was central to his message – PEACE!



Ongoing - Trying to Get Back To "Normal"

We just received an update of the changes of policies from the diocese regarding the Provincial move to Step 3. As I noted last week, even with the capacity changes, it will not affect our numbers until they remove the social distancing rule. Due to capacity limits, you are required to register ahead (registration opens at 9:00am Tuesday for the following weekend). As well, wearing masks is still a requirement. We encourage you to join us for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Wednesdays from 1:00-3:00pm and 7:00-9:00pm and the praying of Divine Mercy on Fridays from 3:00-4:00pm. With the new directives from the diocese, we are able to open our office and have limited numbers for meetings in our meeting rooms. We will return to our normal office schedule beginning July 20th, Tuesday–Friday, 9:00am-4:30pm (closed for lunch noon-1:00pm). As this is summertime, a time we traditionally slow down a little, we will only be producing the bulletin every other week. As well, some of our staff will be taking some vacation during this time, so some of the services we offer may be temporarily impacted. We ask for your patience and understanding.





World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly

This year Pope Francis has decided to inaugurate a new Day – World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly. It is to be celebrated July 25th, one day before the Feast Day of Saints Joachim and Anne, the parents of Mary and thus the grandparents of Jesus. The Pope wanted to increase awareness of how the elderly – all the elderly, including those who are not grandparents – need a family environment in which to live, and also how it is necessary for families to become aware of the role being played by their older members. As a society our appreciation of the elderly seems to be diminishing. Unfortunately, we live in a society that too often focuses on the value of productivity – the more productive you are, the more valuable you are. As we age, we naturally decline in our ability to be productive according to the typical definition in society. Our God-given value however, goes beyond understanding productivity in that manner. Even if we are infirmed, we are still an important member of society, of the community... of our Parish Family! (Stay tuned for announcements of how, as a parish family, we will be expanding our “senior” ministry in the future).

The Pope notes that “all of us must take an active part in renewing and supporting our troubled societies... Among the pillars that support this new edifice, there are three that you [the Elderly], better than anyone else, can help to set up. Those three pillars are dreams, memory and prayer.” He goes on to say, “Who, if not the young, can take the dreams of the elderly and make them come true? Yet for this to happen, it is necessary that we continue to dream.” And to dream well, we need to know our past, and thus that is where memories come in. The Pope says, “Keeping memory alive is a true mission for every elderly person: keeping memory alive and sharing it with others. Edith Bruck, who survived the horror of the Shoah, has said that “even illuminating a single conscience is worth the effort and pain of keeping alive the memory of what has been...These kinds of memory can help to build a more humane and welcoming world.” The final component is prayer. In 2012, Pope Benedict claimed, “the prayer of the elderly can protect the world, helping it perhaps more effectively than the frenetic activity of many others.” Pope Francis affirms, “your prayer is a very precious resource: a deep breath that the Church and the world urgently need.” Please pray for Grandparents and the Elderly this Day and to reach out in a special way to your Grandparents or one of the Elderly (and remember that should not only apply to one day, but many days!). Below is the prayer that the Holy Father provided for grandparents and the elderly.

PRAYER FOR THE FIRST WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY

I thank You, Lord, for the comfort of Your presence: even in times of loneliness,
You are my hope and my confidence, You have been my rock and my fortress since my youth!
I thank You for having given me a family and for having blessed me with a long life.

I thank You for moments of joy and difficulty, for the dreams that have already come true in my life and for those that
are still ahead of me.

I thank You for this time of renewed fruitfulness to which You call me.
Increase, O Lord, my faith, make me a channel of your peace, teach me to embrace those who suffer more than me,
to never stop dreaming and to tell of your wonders to new generations.

Protect and guide Pope Francis and the Church, that the light of the Gospel might reach the ends of the earth.
Send Your Spirit, O Lord, to renew the world, that the storm of the pandemic might be calmed, the poor consoled and
wars ended.

Sustain me in weakness and help me to live life to the full in each moment that You give me, in the certainty that you
are with me every day, even until the end of the age.

Amen.

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