



**Twentieth Sunday
In Ordinary Time
August 14, 2022**

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Monday - Friday: 9:00 am - 12:00 and 1:00pm - 4:30pm

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MARRIAGE NOTIFICATIONS

6 Months (Marriage Preparation course required) Please call Edward Connolly (RCEC) to register at 726-3660 ext. 236

PRE-BAPTISM COURSE: To register please call the parish office 521-2206.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION available before all Masses

MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday August 16	2:00 pm	North Harbour	Funeral Mass Richard (Dick) Power
Saturday August 20	11:00 am	North Harbour	Funeral Mass Catherine Linehan
Sunday August 21 <i>Please Note Change in Schedule</i>	9:30 am	St. Joseph's	"Missa Pro Populo" For Parishioners Ralph & Patricia Gough; Michael & Jessie Gough & deceased family members; Phonse & Annie Power
	11:30 am	Riverhead	

CEMETERY MASS SCHEDULE

PLACE	DATE	PLACE	DATE
RIVERHEAD/MALL BAY	11:30 am Sunday, August 21	O'DONNELL'S OLD CEMETERY	11:30 am Sunday August 28

In the event of inclement weather, each cemetery mass will occur on the same date and at the same time in a designated church community.

Dear Parishioners

The church properties in Good Shepherd are listed for sale on the MLS (realtor.ca) system.

Below are the list prices that have been approved by the Monitor and Rep Counsel.

- Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church - \$90,000**
- Queen of Holy Rosary Church - \$75,000**
- Sacred Heart Church - St. Vincent's - \$85,000**
- Our Lady of Assumption Church - \$90,000**
- Parish Hall - St. Vincent's - \$100,000**
- Parish Hall - St. Mary's - \$100,000**
- St. Joseph's Church - \$95,000**
- Rectory and Parish Office - St. Joseph's - \$150,000**
- Parish Hall – St. Joseph's - \$100,000**
- Sacred Heart Church – North Harbour - \$65,000**

Good Shepherd Pastoral Team is recommending that face masks continue to be worn at all church gatherings until further notice. There is still a high prevalence of COVID cases within our parish communities at the present time. In addition, people at church in future may now form two lines when going up to the altar to receive communion. As was always the case before Covid both sides of the church will receive Holy Communion at the same time. Remember however to keep a safe 6-foot distance from the person ahead of you and as recommended wear a mask and hand sanitize. Thank you and stay safe. *Good Shepherd Parish Pastoral Council*

SUNDAY MINISTRY *(Please Note Time & Place)*

August 21: St. Joseph's @ 9:30 am	Reader: Howard Power	Eucharistic Minister: Linda Dunne
Riverhead @ 11:30 am	Reader: Thelma Stamp	Eucharistic Minister: Sheila Lee, Sylvia Molloy

FINANCES WITH SINCERE THANKS

- St. Mary's/St. Vincent's/St. Joseph's/Mount Carmel**
- Weekly Offering: \$1489.25** **Colinet Cemetery Offering: \$515.20**
- Sanctuary Light: \$10.00** **Online Donations: \$40.00**
- St. Vincent's Card Game Proceeds (July 19): \$135.00** *sponsors... Mary Crawley; Mary Watson*
- St. Vincent's Hall Heat/Light Donation July 31: \$100.00** – *Pond View Seniors Dart League*
- Funeral Fees**
- Funeral Mass for Dean Kielly: \$150.00**
- Funeral Mass for Gabriel Critch: \$150.00**
- Funeral Mass for Michael Dobbin: \$150.00**
- Funeral Mass for Ethel St. Croix: \$150.00** **Visitation: \$75.00 – The St. Croix Family**
- Our Lady of Assumption Church Donation: \$75.00** – **Gibbons Funeral Home**
- St. Vincent's Cemetery Plot for Eugene St. Croix: \$100.00**
- St. Vincent's Cemetery Plot for Dermot St. Croix: \$200.00**
- St. Vincent's Prepaid Cemetery Plot: \$200.00**
- Sacred Heart Cemetery Plot for Leon Linehan: \$100.00**

Parish Monthly Financial Report for July Posted on the Church Bulletin Boards
 Please take time to review. If you have any questions or concerns contact the parish office or Mr. Howard Power, Finance Council Chairperson 521-2431.

GRAND IN YOUR HAND DRAW FOR AUGUST ON FRIDAY AUGUST 26

COME HOME YEAR BINGO ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION RIVERHEAD, Friday, August 19th

Doors open 7:30.... Bingo starts 8:30pm..... Call 525-2712 to book your table.
 Nevada, Wheel Spin, Toonie Jar to go, Jackpot to go.

RCL Cemetery Dinner. Sunday, August 21st Hosted by Legion Ladies Auxiliary immediately following Cemetery Mass
 Old fashioned Real Turkey Cold plate. Cost \$14.00. Kids nugget meal 12 and under \$6.00, 13 and older \$8.00
 Call Legion 525-2712 or Patti 525-2664 to buy tickets. Deadline Thursday Aug 17th.

LIVING FAITH

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THE GOSPEL FOR TODAY Luke 12:49-53

'I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! From now on, five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; they will be divided: father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.'

REFLECTING ON THE GOSPEL

This is a very disturbing Gospel, on the surface level, anyway. What is Jesus saying? Is he advocating disputes in families? Is he saying that he actually came to bring division? We know that, in other places in the Gospels, Jesus prays for us to be one, he prays for unity. The truth is that, in this Gospel passage, Jesus is being ironic. Jesus does not want us to be divided from one another. Yet, divisions happen. In this Gospel passage, Jesus invites us to think about how we might behave when we encounter divisions in our families, in the Church, in our world, what we might say or do to heal divisions and build unity.

TALKING WITH FAMILY AND FRIENDS

- How have you healed divisions in your family in the past?
- What do you think Jesus really came to do?
- How can you be a person of unity and peace, following the way of Jesus?

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**THE CHURCH TEACHES
EXCERPTS FROM
POPE FRANCIS' HOMILY ON THE FAMILY
JULY 26, 2022 (THE FEAST OF STS JOACHIM AND ANNE, GRANDPARENTS OF JESUS)**

... It was in the home of Joachim and Anne that the child Jesus came to know his older relatives and experienced the closeness, tender love and wisdom of his grandparents. Let us think about our own grandparents, and reflect on two important things.

First: we are children of a history that needs to be preserved. We are not isolated individuals, islands. No one comes into this world detached from others. Our roots, the love that awaited us and welcomed us into the world, the families in which we grew up, are part of a unique history that preceded us and gave us life. We did not choose that history; we received it as a gift, one that we are called to cherish, for, as the Book of Sirach reminds us, we are “descendants” of those who went before us; we are their “inheritance” (Sir 44:11). An inheritance that, quite apart from any claim to prestige or authority, intelligence or creativity in song or poetry, is centred on righteousness, on fidelity to God and his will. This is what they passed on to us. In order to accept who, we really are, and how precious we are, we need to accept as part of ourselves the men and women from whom we are descended. They did not simply think about themselves, but passed on to us the treasure of life. We are here thanks to our parents, but also thanks to our grandparents, who helped us feel welcome in the world. Often they were the ones who loved us unconditionally, without expecting anything back. They took us by the hand when we were afraid, reassured us in the dark of night, encouraged us when in the full light of day we faced important life decisions. Thanks to our grandparents, we received a caress from the history that preceded us: we learned that goodness, tender love and wisdom are the solid roots of humanity. It was in our grandparents’ homes that many of us breathed in the fragrance of the Gospel, the strength of a faith which makes us feel at home. Thanks to them, we discovered that kind of “familiar” faith, a domestic faith. Because that is how faith is fundamentally passed on, at home, through a mother tongue, with affection and encouragement, care and closeness.

This is our history, to which we are heirs and which we are called to preserve... Let us now think of the second important thing. In addition to being children of a history that needs to be preserved, we are authors of a history yet to be written. Each of us can recognize ourselves for who and what we are, marked by both light and shadows, and by the love that we did or did not receive. This is the mystery of human life: we are all someone’s children, begotten and shaped by another, but as we become adults, we too are called to give life, to be a father, mother or grandparent to someone else. Thinking about the people we are today, what do we want to do with ourselves? The grandparents who went before, the elderly who had dreams and hopes for us, and made great sacrifices for us, ask us an essential question: what kind of a society do we want to build? We received so much from the hands of those who preceded us. What do we, in turn, want to bequeath to those who come after us? ... a diluted faith, or a living faith? A society founded on personal profit or on fraternity? A world at war or a world at peace? A devastated creation or a home that continues to be welcoming?