

**September 10, 2017**

**23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**READINGS:** Ezekiel 33.7-9 Romans 13.8-10  
Psalm 118.137,124 Matthew 18.15-20

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**Saturday, September 9, 2017 – 4:00 pm**

**Offered for:** Julie Thomas  
Memorial Birthday  
**Requested by:** Dr. Danielle Dubuc and Staff  
**Altar Servers:** Megan, Phillip and Morgan  
**Lectors:** Jenny Dejung, Nidia Dejung

**Sunday, September 10, 2017 – 10:00 am**

**Offered for:** Grammatica Family  
Memorial Mass  
**Requested by:** Toni and Vernie Herne  
**Altar Servers:** Reagan, Analeyna, Rylie & Kenia  
**Lectors:** Rosemary Bonaparte, Irving  
Papineau

**Tuesday September 12, 2017**

NO MASS

**Wednesday, September 13, 2017**

NO MASS

**Thursday, September 14, 2017**

NO MASS

**Friday, September 15, 2017**

NO MASS

**Saturday, September 16, 2017 – 4:00 PM**

**Offered for:** Angus and Mildred Bero and  
Children, Genevieve, Jerry,  
Andrew & Lucille, Memorial Mass  
**Requested by:** Connie and Jerry Thompson  
**Altar Servers:** Megan, Phillip and Morgan  
**Lectors:** Norman Tarbell & Jamie Bay

**Sunday, September 17, 2017**

**Offered for:** Charlotte Cole  
Fifth Anniversary (Sept. 12th)  
**Requested by:** Claudia Martin  
**Altar Servers:** Cheyenne, Keon & Summer  
**Lectors:** Abram Benedict & Rose-Alma  
(Dolly) McDonald

Father Jerome will be away from September 5th to September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2017, There will not be any weekday masses during his absence. Weekday masses will resume September 21<sup>st</sup>, 2017.

Please give a warm welcome to Father John L. Downs (Fr. Jack), who will be presiding over the weekend masses, and funerals, if needed, beginning September 9th, 2017.

**23rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

The readings today focus on relationships and care of the other. These are not just any relationships but the difficult and complex ones. Ezekiel cautions us not to give up on the wicked but rather warn them that their behaviour is unacceptable. However, if they do not heed our warning, then at least we will know that we tried to enlighten them.

The Gospel today is very specific on how to deal with issues of conflict or disagreement. The scenario Jesus paints could apply to any family, community, workplace or environment which breeds conflict or confusion. It takes courage for us to be persistent and confront contentious issues first in private, then with witnesses, and finally in front of the assembly – to provide evidence of injustice or wrongdoing. If after all these measures have been taken and still there is no resolution, we must turn away and move on, knowing that we have done everything humanly possible to rectify the situation.

This is true love of self and neighbour. It in no way means we give up or are passive; rather, it shows us when to let go, and let God. Sometimes this kind of integrity comes at a great cost. Yet is the price too great for the sake of building up the kingdom of God?

Marilyn Elpbick

**THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION - CONFESSION**

God loves us! He created us to love Him and to love others. The greatest proof of His love was that He gave us His Son to atone for our sins by His suffering and death on the cross.

How often have we failed to love God and our neighbor in return? God wants nothing more than that we be in right relationship with Him -- that we experience His unconditional love.

Confession celebrates God's forgiveness, but it can be an uncomfortable sacrament to celebrate. Who celebrates telling a priest his sins, the ways in which we have hurt other persons or oneself?

But we do celebrate because God's forgiveness comes to us through this sacrament. We open our hearts to receive and to be changed by the mercy and love that God offers us through his consecrated priest. Facing our sins can be a painful, humbling experience. But the new life that it offers us brings joy and freedom! Any priest will gladly help you with Confession, so do not worry what to say. Pray to the Holy Spirit to help you to examine your conscience, to speak honestly and to be sorry for the wrong you have done. Then you can really know that Jesus, by His cross, has set us free!

**The Lord's Prayer (in Mohawk)**

Ta kwa ien ha, ne, ka ron hia ke, te si te ron, a ie sa sen na ien, a ie sa wen ni ios ta ke, a ie sa wen na ra kwa ke, non wen tsia ke, tsi ni iot, ne, ka ron hia ke, kie sa wen na rak wa. Ta kwa nont, ne, ken wen te, ia kion he kon, nia te wen ni se ra ke, sa sa ni konr hen, ne ion kwa ri wa ne ren, tsi ni iot, ni, i, tsi on kwa ni konr hens. O the non, ion ki ni konh rak sa ton, non kwe; to sa, a ion kwa sen ni, ne ka ri wa ne ren, ak we kon, e ren, sa wit, nio tak sens.

NE NE KA NA KE RAH TSHE RA, NE NE KA SATS TENH SE RA, KA IA TA NE HRA KWAH TSHE RA, SA WEN'K NON:WA NOK TSI NEN:WE – E THO E THO NA IA WEN.

**FEAST OF THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS - SEPTEMBER 14**

**We adore You, O Christ, and we praise You, because by Your holy cross, You have redeemed the world.**

Millions wear a cross as jewelry, a tattoo, a decoration. We make the Sign of the Cross before prayers, entering a church, or when in danger. On this feast of the Holy Cross, we remember the true meaning of the Cross, the blessed instrument of our salvation.

**Lord, by Your Cross and Resurrection, You have set us free! You are the Savior of the world.**

**A PRAYER FOR ALL WHO TRAVEL**

*God our Father, you led Abraham and Sarah from their home and guarded them in all their travels. You guided them safely to the destination you had chosen for them.*

*Be with us now as we travel and guard us every mile of our journey. Help us to be attentive, cautious and concerned about our fellow travelers. Make our highways, skies and seas safe and keep us all from danger.*

*Sacred Heart of Jesus, guide us to our destination and help us to travel prayerfully and carefully. AMEN.*

**September 10<sup>th</sup> National Grandparent's Day**

On Grandparents Day, we celebrate the wisdom that is given to those who've been granted a blessing of years. Many blessings today to all our Tótas!

**HURRICANE HARVEY**

Join us in prayer for those who have suffered loss, damages and inconvenience due to hurricane Harvey. As always in times of danger and destruction, we pray for wise leadership from local authorities and generosity on the part of those able to help victims of the storm.

**SEPTEMBER INTENTION FOR THE MORNING OFFERING**

Lord Jesus, we ask your abundant blessing on our parishes.

May they be sanctuaries where faith is communicated and charity is seen.

**WE PRAY FOR ALL WHO NOW BEAR THE CROSS OF SUFFERING**

Lord, help all who bear the cross of suffering at this time-- suffering in mind and body, suffering from pain and loss, suffering from hurricanes and natural disasters, suffering of rejection and loneliness.

Comfort all in our nursing homes and hospitals, the sick and elderly who are homebound, and those awaiting surgery, especially Mitchell Sunday, Camryn Cook, Orlo Ransom, Nancy Phillips, Clyde Cree, April Benedict, Francis Cree, Marita Francis, Isabelle Rourke, Louis Garrow, Hilda Smoke, Helen Chubb, Larry Pyke, Marie Casey, Felicia Jock, Joyce Kelso, Vickie Phillips, Teddy Thompson, Hilda Lazore, George and Mary Towsley.

Bless their caregivers with compassion, patience, and strength. AMEN.

**REMINDER:** Rectory Office hours: Closed on Mondays. Open Tuesday to Friday – 9:00 am to noon until further notice.

**COLLECTIONS**

**September 2, 2017**

Reg. Mass \$170.50 **CDN** \$289.90 **US**

**September 3, 2017**

Reg. Mass \$ 252.25 **CDN** \$247.66 **US**