



ST PATRICK OF THE ISLAND

WEEK OF JULY 16, 2017- 15TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

MASSSES

SATURDAY JULY 15, 2017
5 pm Blessed Virgin Mary in Memory of Dick & Holy Souls
- Ignatius & Angela (living) from Family

SUNDAY JULY 16, 2017
10 am Norman Lagendyk & Louida Mercier from Tom & Gaetanne

SATURDAY JULY 22, 2017
5 pm Kay Tobin from Family

SUNDAY JULY 23, 2017
10 am Rita St. Amand from Marc & Gary

THIS WEEK’S EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

5pm: Gerry & Andrew
10am: Ricardo & Mary

THE SANCTUARY LAMP BURNS FOR:

This week: Patrick Dempsey
Next week: Fr. Pierre

BAPTISM

This weekend we welcome into our Christian community Hailey Gagnon & Tenley Niemi. May God Bless these children.

COLLECTION

The collection for July 9nd was \$ 1,228. We thank you for your generosity.

CHAPEL

Our Chapel is in need of adorers:
Available hours:
WEDNESDAY - 3 PM;
THURSDAY - 10AM;
FRIDAY – 7AM, 6PM & 7PM;
SUNDAY - 3PM & 5PM.
For info about our Chapel, or to volunteer as an adorer or spare, please contact Audrey Angelozzi at 514-453-5409.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Marcelle Pion (Franck), Doris Williston, Margaret Rondeau, Thomas Gillette, Elaine Kerr, Frank Morahan, Denny Ostman, Woody Leclerc, Dan Koury, Gerri, Hilary, Gabrielle McWilliams, Helen Bulger, Don Harthorn, Lionel Cozier, Whyatt Laflamme, Dolores Sandy, Raymond Charlebois, Andria MacDonald (liver transplant), Mary Martin, Lennox Lewis, Brian Lang, Willy Moore, Marie Hulse, Helen Lariccia, Ben, Eva Bideau, Mary Albertson, Billie Chenier, Catherine Shea, Lucie Cardinal, Rod Desmarais, Frank McCluskie, Marina, John Battaglia, Linda Panaro, Karen Descoeurs, Boleslaw Zugda, Mary & Marian Lapchak, Caiti Dore, Betty & Gerry & Mary Guy, Michael Rigdon, Ann Desmarais

FAITH EDUCATION

This is the last week for pre-registration for new and returning students for the fall session, please call or come by the office to register.
Space is limited and numbers are needed to place the order for workbooks.



PARISH BULLETIN

COMING EVENTS

Here are a few events that are coming up:
- Aug 15 – Diocesan Pilgrimage to Sanctuary of Rigaud – 7:30 pm
- Sept 10 - St Pat’s Annual Picnic 10am
- Oct 29 – 125th Celebration Concert hosted by Anglophone parishes – 2pm, Ste Cecile’s, Valleyfield

DEDICATION TO BLESSED VIRGIN

On Tuesday August 15, our Bishop Noel will dedicate our diocese to the Blessed Virgin Mary at the shrine in Rigaud at 7:30 pm. Because it is the 150th Anniversary of Canada, the Bishops of Canada are dedicating every diocese to the Blessed Virgin. All are encouraged to participate in this bilingual celebration of the Mass.

On the Lighter Side 😊

Four Catholic women are having coffee. The first tells her friends, “My son is a priest, when he walks into a room everyone calls him Father.”
The second woman chirps, “My son is a bishop. When he walks into a room people say Your Excellency.”
The third says smugly, “My son is a cardinal, when he walks into a room people say Your Eminence.”
The fourth woman sips her coffee in silence. She finally says, “My son is a gorgeous, 6 foot 2 male model. When he walks into a room, people say “Oh my God....”

REFLECTING ON TODAY’S GOSPEL

Today’s Gospel marks the beginning of the third long discourse given by Jesus in the Gospel of Matthew. He begins with the parable of the sower, which appears rather straightforward—of course seeds grow best in good soil. Seeds that miss the soil, are sown on rocky ground, or are sown among other plants will not grow. The surprise in the parable is the enormous yield of the seed that is sown on good soil.

Jesus then explains his use of parables. Jesus seems to suggest that he uses parables to teach because the meanings of parables are not self-evident. The hearer must engage in some degree of reflection in order to comprehend the message of a parable. In this way, the medium—the parable—models the point of the parable of the sower. Those who are willing to engage themselves in the effort to understand will be rewarded by the discovery of the message and will bear fruit.

To bring home the point, Jesus interprets the parable of the sower to his disciples. The different types of soil in which the seeds are sown are metaphors for the disposition with which each individual hears the teaching about the kingdom of heaven. Some will be easily swayed away from the kingdom of heaven. Some will receive it for a time but will lose it when faced with difficulties. Some will hear the word but will then permit other cares to choke it out. Yet some will receive it well, and the seed will produce abundant fruit.