



June 16th 2024
11th Sunday of Ordinary
Time

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MASS INTENTIONS –June 15th – 23rd, 2024

St. Ambrose Co-Cathedral (Yarmouth):

Sat. 4 pm Frances M. Surette
Sun. 9am Parishioners
Sun. 11:15 am Barb & Greg Deveau
Tues. 6:30 pm Peter Eldridge
Wed. 6:30 pm Larry Burke
Thurs: 9 am Edward Deveau
Fri. 9 am Anniv. Dot Bowers
Sat. 4 pm Anniv. Henry Deveau
Sun. 9am Anniv. Jacqueline Doucette
Sun. 11:15 am Parishioners

Our Lady of Lourdes (Melbourne):

Sun. 10 am June 16 Adam Surette
Sun. 10 am June 23 Daniel Saulnier

REFLECTION: The Mysteries of the Kingdom: With



many such parables he spoke the word to them as they were able to understand it. Without parables he did not speak to them, but to his own disciples he explained everything in private. The deepest mysteries of our faith can only be understood by someone who has deep faith. Understanding requires much more than just a keen intellect; it

also requires an interior attentiveness to and familiarity with the voice of God. For that reason, as Jesus spoke to the crowds, He used parables and figures of speech rather than speaking directly about the mysteries of Heaven. By analogy, if you were to attend a very special feast and you had well-formed taste buds, you might enjoy being served the best cut of meat cooked to perfection with a fine glass of wine. But to a small child, such a meal might not be that appealing. The same is true with music. If you were a musician who studied and played music throughout life, then you might have a greater appreciation for certain types of music. Others might simply be drawn to a certain type of music by the beat or because it has catchy lyrics. In a similar way, a person who has only a little faith might not be immediately drawn into the deepest mystical truths of God when they are explained directly and clearly. Instead, they might find that a simplified Gospel message that uses familiar imagery or stories is better able to catch their attention and communicate the message. This is good to understand because it's good for us to turn to the means of communication with God most suited for our depth of faith and understanding. For most people, it will be very useful to see themselves as one of those people in the crowds to whom Jesus spoke His parables. We should especially see ourselves as a part of the crowds as we begin our journey of faith. However, when a person has spent much time in prayer and meditation over the years and their faith begins to deepen, they may find that parables and stories are not as inspiring as they once were. They need more. They long for God to speak to them more clearly and deeply. Practically speaking, as your faith grows, it is good to look for the deeper ways that God speaks to you. How does He come to you and explain His will and the truths of faith more directly as Jesus did to the Apostles? Perhaps reading the lives of the saints, the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, or some other spiritual book will engage you more deeply. Also, some Scripture passages may feed you more as you grow in faith, such as the passages where Jesus speaks more directly to His disciples. Reflect, today, upon the way that you are most fully fed by God's holy Word at this point in your life. The best way to identify this is to consider what it is that has given you the most consolation and inspiration as of

late. How has God's Word most powerfully resonated within you over this past year? Identifying the way that God has spoken to you recently is the best way to decide how to continue to receive from Him all that He wants to teach you and reveal to you at this point of your journey of faith. Continue to seek out God's voice, and be open to letting Him draw you ever more deeply into the beautiful depths of the mysteries of His Kingdom. *-My Catholic Life*

EUCCHARISTIC CONGRESS: October 18-20, 2024



Archbishop Dunn has invited the faithful of the Archdiocese of Halifax-Yarmouth to pray for the upcoming Eucharistic Congress. The Congress will be an important time in the life of our diocese when all the faithful are invited to gather to pray, learn, and reflect on the gift of the Eucharist. As we prepare for this exciting event, we invite everyone to prayer for the success of the Congress; that the Holy Spirit will guide all our planning and stir the hearts of many of the faithful to come to the Congress. The theme for the Congress is **Communion to Heal the World**

If you did not receive your copy of the prayer when you entered the church, please pick one up at the tables in entrance.

The website dedicated to all things Eucharistic Congress is www.halifaxyarmouth.org/congress

MASS OF MINISTRIES: (Lector) - Bruce Muise – As

he continues his journey towards the priesthood, and after two years in seminary, Bruce will receive the Ministry of Lector (the second of three ministries' seminarians receive) at a Mass celebrated at St. Ambrose Co-Cathedral in Yarmouth on Sunday, June 30 at 11:15 a.m., presided by Archbishop Dunn. All are invited to join Bruce for this very special Mass (refreshments will follow in the Jubilee Room.).

CATHOLIC SUMMER CAMP: August 4th - 9th at



Johnston Christian Park, South Range, Digby County. \$225.00 early bird fee if registered by June 30th. After this registration will be \$250.00. It's for youth ages 10 to 14 and you can get a registration form at the Parish office or on the website.

KNIGHT OF COLUMBUS NEWS: Monthly Meeting:



4th Degree Meeting will be on Tuesday June 18th at 7:00 pm.

Baby Bottle Campaign Please return your bottles this weekend and thank you for your support.

COFFEE SOCIALS: are being held the weekend of



June 29th and 30th. Please note this will take place the last weekend of June for this month only. Come join us.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK: The cross is Christ's great



sign and trophy of victory. *-St. Gregory Palamas*

MATTHEW 18 RENEWAL MEETINGS: We meet

every Monday night at 7pm in the Jubilee room, unless it is a holiday, who are we? We part of the Catholic Renewal, approved by the last several Pope's, and have representatives in Rome who report to the Pope. What to expect? We open the meeting with an opening prayer, then we sing songs of praise and worship, inspired scripture readings or inspired word from God. There's a time for sharing how God is working in our lives, or maybe how a reading or song struck a core in us. We finish the evening with prayers of petitions and 3 structured prayers. All are welcome to join us.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE: A successful potluck

gathering last Thursday resulted with donations of \$300 being made to Juniper House, Parents' Place and Tri-County Pregnancy Care Centre. This weekend a sweet treat will be distributed. Next gathering will be in September for a baby shower for Tri-County Pregnancy Care Centre. Thanks for your support.



Our sympathy is extended to the family and friends of
Pauline Alice DeViller
 Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon her.