



**15th Sunday of Ordinary
Time
July 10th & 11th, 2021**

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MASS INTENTIONS- July 10th – 18th, 2021

Sat. July 10 4pm Kenneth Bourque and Stan Bishara Jr.
Sun. July 11 9am Dorothy Cook and Paul Hubbard
Sun. July 11 10am (Melbourne) Lawrence Clairmont
Sun. July 11 11am Parishioners
Wed. July 14 9am Victor Doucette and Mass of Thanksgiving
Sat. July 17 4pm Parishioners
Sun. July 18 9am Theresa V. Davis and Paul Fitzgerald
Sun. July 18 10am (Melbourne) Vincent Surette
Sun. July 18 11am Debby Muise and Jean Cotteau

Please note we will not be carrying the gifts for the offertory until further notice.

Please note: The weekday Mass will be cancelled in the event of a funeral Mass. The Mass intention scheduled for that day will be offered at a later date.

LIVE STREAM MASS AT ST. AMBROSE: We live stream mass every Wednesday at 9:00 am and on the weekend at the Saturday 4:00 pm, Sunday at

9:00 am or 11:00 am mass on a rotating basis. The next scheduled mass is always posted on our website's main page. If you want to watch, go to our web site at www.stambrosearmouth.ca or go to our YouTube channel www.youtube.com/c/SaintAmbroseParish/videos?view=57

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REFLECTIONS: Relying on Providence He instructed



them to take nothing for the journey but a walking stick—no food, no sack, no money in their belts. Does God care about the smallest details in your life? Does He care about you receiving proper food and housing? Does He care about your proper emotional, material and spiritual support? He certainly does!

Sometimes it can happen that we fail to realize how completely God cares for us. We can fall into the trap of getting consumed by the fear and anxiety of daily concerns. We can worry that we will not have enough for tomorrow or even today. This worry can concern us regarding all parts of our lives — relationships, emotions, material needs, spiritual strength, etc.

What we need to know, with complete certainty, is that God is attentive to every detail of our lives. He knows all and loves us in such a complete way that He will not abandon us ever. He will never allow us to be without those things we need to live a full and fruitful life.

Do you believe that? At times it can be hard to believe. At times we can feel overwhelmed and believe that we must take care of everything ourselves. It is true that we are called to offer all our energy and talent to God so that He can use us and work through us. But we should never forget that God is ultimately the one taking care of us and is the one most attentive to our every need.

Reflect, today, on the level of abandonment that you have to divine providence. Pray this prayer below and reflect upon how completely you can make it yours. Jesus, I trust in You! ~My Catholic Life

Being Childlike “I give praise to you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for although you have hidden these things from the wise and the learned you have revealed them to the childlike.”

Life is complicated. Or is it? That’s a good question. At times things can seem very complicated. Situations we find ourselves in, relationships with family and friends, our future, our past, etc., can all seem burdensome and complicated at times. But the truth is that it doesn’t have to be. The truth is that God’s answers to the most “complex” questions in life are often simple enough for a child to understand.

In the passage above, Jesus affirms that the Father reveals His answers and wisdom to those who are childlike. Interestingly, He also states that the Father has “hidden these things from the wise and learned.” So, this begs the question...is it better to be “wise and learned” or “childlike?” Obviously, the answer is that it’s better to be childlike.

This may seem confusing at first. It can seem strange to say that it’s not good to be “wise and learned.” But what that means is that it’s not good to be a person who thinks they have it all figured out. It’s not good to be arrogant and a know-it-all. It’s not good to be so filled with pride that we think we have all the answers.

The ideal is to have certain characteristics of a child. In particular, it’s good to be one who is open, curious, and willing to learn. It’s good to look at life in the simplest of ways and to stick to the basics. Sure, it’s good to grow in wisdom and knowledge of the things of God. But true wisdom and knowledge always maintain a certain innocence and simplicity. They maintain a basic goodness and acceptance of right and wrong. Life does not have to be complicated; it needs to become exceptionally simple. Reflect, today, upon how ready and willing you are to turn to God for the simple and clear answers to life’s most difficult questions. Reflect upon how willing you are to turn to God in trust and hope knowing that God has all the answers to your life.

Lord, once again I turn to You in trust. Help me to realize that all wisdom comes from You rather than myself. Help me to always turn to You as a child would and help my life to remain simple as You desire. Jesus, I trust in You. ~My Catholic Life

QUOTE OF THE WEEK: Every morning you put on your clothes to cover your nakedness and protect your body from inclement weather. Why don’t you also clothe your soul with the garment of faith? Remember each morning the truths of your creed, and look at yourself in the mirror of your faith. ~St. Augustine



CATHOLIC WOMEN’S LEAGUE NEWS: Archbishop



Brian Joseph Dunn and Father Henry Smolenaars will celebrate St. Ambrose Catholic Women’s League 100th anniversary **mass** on August 26, 2021, at 6:30 p.m. Further details and invitation to attend will follow when indoor capacities are permitted. Regardless, it will be live streamed.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS: Monthly Meeting:



Tuesday July 13th, 2021 all members invited 6:00pm executive meeting and 7:30pm general meeting.

Congratulations to all 2021 Graduates. Especially Adam Box & Chase Deviller who were each awarded a \$500 Council 2181 bursary and Allison Randall won a provincial Simon J. Khatter Scholarship of \$1000.

WELCOME BACK! In recent weeks, our churches have slowly begun opening once again for in-person Masses. We are grateful for the hard work and vigilance of our clergy, parish staff, volunteers and all parishioners to keep one another safe while continuing to boldly witness God’ goodness in our local Church. ~Archdiocese of Halifax-Yarmouth



Please welcome into our Christian community Emilie Rose Marshall and Rosalie Sarah Evelyn Amirault who were baptised on

Sunday July 4th, 2021

Please keep Emilie and Rosalie and their families in your prayers.