



20th Sunday in Ordinary Time August 17th & 18th, 2019

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Reconciliation/confession is available every Saturday 11 am-noon at St. Ambrose Co-Cathedral.

MASS INTENTIONS – Aug. 17 – Aug. 25, 2019

Sat. 4pm Donna Lloy and J. Clifford O'Connell
6pm (Melbourne) Vivian Surette

Sun. 9am Conrad, Mickey & Curtis LeBlanc and Olive, Alfred & Joseph Pothier
11:15am Parishioners

Mon. No Mass

Tues. 6:30pm Annie & Thomasie Mark and Greg & Barb Deveau

Wed. 9am Madelyn Doucette and Randy Doucette

Thur. 9am William Cottreau and Intentions of the Joan Davidson Family

Fri. 9am Intentions of Donald MacKinnon and Intentions of the Cottreau Family

Sat. 4pm Anniv. Marlene Sweeney and John Sweeney
6pm (Melbourne) Theresa Harris

Sun. 9am Parishioners
11:15am Anniv. Gail Grattan and Louis & Celeste Doucette

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BRING UP THE GIFTS in the offertory procession at a weekend Mass (if you are a family member of the person the Mass is for) please see the greeters **at least 20 minutes before Mass begins.**

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.

COFFEE SOCIAL: The coffee socials will be held next weekend after all of the Masses. Please stop by for some food, coffee and fellowship!



CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE NEWS:

Our new theme "Care for the Common Home" challenges us to change many of our thoughts and actions towards mother earth. At our September meeting, we can share ideas of how we used the theme over the summer.

Barrel of Groceries: It is time to start collecting items for the Barrel of Groceries to bring to our September meeting. You will see ladies selling tickets in the various businesses over the summer months. Our support for the Hospital Hullabaloo. Thank you for your support.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS:

Monthly Meeting: Tuesday **September 10th**, all members invited.



5:30pm executive meeting
 6:30pm supper
 7:30pm general meeting

Community Breakfast: Sunday, **September 15th** from 9am -noon at the Knights of Columbus Hall. Adults -\$7.00 and children under 12 -\$3.50. Eat in or take out.

Assembly 1428 meeting: Tuesday **September 17th** at 7pm. All members invited.

Weekly soup kitchen will resume for the season September 10th, every Tuesday from 11am to 1pm. Everybody welcome.

CHRIST ALONE IS ENOUGH - a retreat on St. Paul's

letter to the Colossians. Is my personal friendship with Christ still growing? Saturday **Aug. 24th**, 9am to 12 noon in St. Ambrose Jubilee Room. No fee or registration. Sponsored by Regnum Christi - Yarmouth. For more information please call Coleen at 902-742-4924.



HEALING MASS: Wednesday, **September 4th** at 7pm at St. Ambrose Co-Cathedral.



Wake up! The time is now!
Are you ready?

Come and join us for a healing Mass and follow up prayer service which will be celebrated by our pastor, Father Henry, and Father Mark Cherry from Halifax. All faiths are invited to participate. Come and see what the Lord has to offer.

Father Mark Cherry- Fr. Mark grew up in Halifax N.S. and is the oldest of eight children. He was or-

dained to the priesthood on April 30th, 2005 at St. Mary's Basilica. Over the past 13 years, in addition to his duties as a parish Priest, he has ministered as a parish mission speaker, a conference speaker, a retreat leader and at healing Masses. Fr. Mark has a passion for sharing the life transforming love and power of Jesus Christ through anointed preaching and teaching of God's word. His desire is to see hearts set free, lifted up and empowered by the Holy Spirit to live out their divine mission. *"Come and See!"*

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP: If you or someone you know is struggling through grief you can register for a 6-week program beginning Tuesday **Sept. 10th** in Yarmouth. No cost. Contact Bertha Brannen Grief Recovery Specialist at 740-2146 or email info@rubyconsultants.ca.



WANT TO BECOME CATHOLIC? *Are you a non-Catholic interested in inquiring about the Catholic faith? Are you a Catholic adult who has never celebrated 1st Communion and/or Confirmation? Are you a Catholic wishing to update your faith?*



If you answered "yes" to any one of these questions, then maybe RCIA is for you. RCIA will be starting this fall at St. Ambrose. Interested in finding out more? Phone the Parish Office at 742-7151.

EMPOWERED MEN'S CONFERENCE:



We are excited to announce that you can now register for the 2nd annual Catholic Men's Empowered Conference being held in Halifax, at the Bella Rosa Arts Center, **October 4-5, 2019.**

The Empowered conference is a call to men to be challenged and grow in faithfulness to serve God, the Church, and especially their families. This conference is an opportunity for men to become more engaged in their faith, whether they're lukewarm or already on fire! In addition, the conference helps men find their purpose, meet others who are like-minded looking for a spiritual experience, allows men to feel comfortable talking about their faith, support one another, share their struggles including spiritual ones while rediscovering their role as men in the church

and families. Given the current Parish/Church restructuring, our church needs her men today more than ever to become inspired and to inspire others. For more information visit our website or contact us at empoweredccfm@hotmail.com.

REFLECTION:



Fire is frightening; it can burn up a city. It is also warming in control in a grate; and it also warms the heart, when we sit back, watch the flames and chat, think or pray. Jesus came to bring fire on the earth. **Warmth of Love-** The warmth of love and companionship; when we know we can go to him just as we are, and enjoy the intimacy of his friendship – the friend who is always offering the gift of his heart to each of us.

The warmth of Jesus that brings comfort and hope to the world; when we live in isolation with each other, lacking in friendship and hope. When we lack the reconciliation and justice that makes life possible among us, then the warmth of God's love for all can inflame our coldness.

Disturbing Love- There is also the fire that disturbs; love challenges as well as comforts. The flame of God can be frightening in that it demands a world of justice, peace and reconciliation. The fire of this love is the fire that also warms and comforts.

The flame of God is the Holy Spirit. Jesus comes to bring all sort of fire to the world, and to send the Spirit of comfort, justice, reconciliation and hope. The message of Jesus may divide us, and if it does, the love of Jesus can unite us, for love is the most powerful gift of Jesus.

A saying has it – he has come to afflict the comfortable and comfort the afflicted.

Holy Spirit, flame of God, hover over each of us as you did for the followers of Jesus at the first Pentecost.

Donal Neary SJ – sacredheartmessenger.com, Posted August 12, 2013

QUOTE OF THE WEEK:



"Whenever you begin any good work, you should first of all make a most pressing appeal to Christ our Lord to bring it to perfection." - St. Benedict