



21st Sunday of Ordinary Time
August 21st, 2022

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MASS INTENTIONS –August 20th– 28th2022

St. Ambrose Co-Cathedral (Yarmouth):

Sat. 4pm Parishioners
Sun. 9am Greg & Barb Deveau **and** Jennifer Crosby
Sun. 11am Caroline Comeau **and** Intentions Jane Grant
Tues. 6:30pm Ellie Smith **and** Eldon White
Wed. 6:30 pm Daniel Saulnier **and** Vickie Jeddry
Thurs: 9 am Anniv. Mariette Comeau **and** Albert Holmes
Fri. 9 am Anniv. Donald G. Parnell **and** 55th Wedding
 Anniv. Of Victor & Patsy Landry
Sat. 4 pm Bill Rodgeron and Intentions of Deacon Bruce
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Sun. 9 am Parishioners
Sun. 11 am Rodd MacInnis **and** Edwin & Lorraine Harding

Our Lady of Lourdes (Melbourne):

Sun. 10 am Aug. 21st No Mass
Sun. 10 am Aug. 28th No Mass

REFLECTION: The Narrow Gate “Strive to enter through the narrow gate, for many, I tell you, will attempt to enter but will not be strong enough.” What does this line tell us? It reveals that we cannot enter Heaven by our



own will or through our own effort. Furthermore, it tells us that though some will try to get to Heaven through their own effort, this approach will not work. Upon meeting our Lord, after death, they will be surprised that they are not a member of His Kingdom.

This clear and somewhat shocking statement from our Lord should have the effect of causing you to step back and look at your life so as to sincerely and humbly examine the path you are on. Jesus’ directness and clarity on this real experience that some will have should help to open your eyes so as to honestly examine if He is speaking about you.

It takes true humility to face the truth, at times, and to admit if we are trying to rely more upon ourselves than upon Christ. The “narrow gate” is that gate through which the humble enter. Pride and self-sufficiency lead us to attempt to make our own path to Heaven. But this path is never the correct one.

Entering the “narrow gate” also means that we listen to God. He, as the divine Shepherd, is always calling to us in a gentle way. Only when we are attentive to His voice will we know where He is leading us. Only then will we discover the way through the one and only narrow gate.

Reflect, today, upon that moment when you meet our Lord face to face. What will that encounter be like? Will it be one where He greets you with open arms saying, “Well done, good and faithful servant, enter into your reward.” Or will it be one in which He says, “I do not know you.” Now is the time to face your life of faith with honesty, striving to rely only upon the strength of our divine Lord.

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DO YOU HAVE FAMILY THAT HAVE LEFT THE CHURCH: Do you want to learn more about how to

approach family and friends who have drifted away from the Church or who have never had a faith life? The diocese wants to help in teaching parishioners how to evangelize. Click on the link below to sign up and learn. <https://www.halifaxymouth.org/invite>

LIVE STREAM MASS AT ST. AMBROSE: We live stream mass every Thursday at 9 am and on the weekend at the Saturday 4pm and Sunday at 11 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.stambroseymouth.ca or go to our YouTube channel www.youtube.com/c/SaintAmbroseParish/videos?view=57

ULTREYA! ULTREYA! ULTREYA! The Yarmouth Area Cursillo Movement will be starting Ultras on September 1st, 2022 and each 1st Thursday of the month at 7 pm in Marian Hall at St. Ambrose Parish. Feel free to bring a friend who might be interested in the Cursillo Movement to experience an Ultreya. Public Health recommendations will be in place. De Colores!!

WANT TO BECOME CATHOLIC? *Are you a non-Catholic interested in the Catholic faith? Are you thinking you might want to become Catholic? Are you a Catholic adult who never celebrated your 1st Communion and/or Confirmation?* Then RCIA is for you. RCIA will be starting this fall at St. Ambrose. If you are interested then please contact the office for a form you can fill out to sign up. Come and join us this fall!

THANK YOU: *I would like to thank all those who attended the beautiful "farewell" that took place for me on August 14th. For all the cards, gifts, donations of money, for the food, to the Knights of Columbus and to all those who prepared everything, thank you! But more importantly, thank you so much for your continued support and your prayers! Be assured of my prayers for you as I embark on this continued journey of discernment at St. Peter's Seminary. Again, a huge THANK YOU! - Bruce Muise*



GOVERNMENT GRANT: FYI: Did you know that we applied for and received a grant to renovate the men’s washroom downstairs in the Parish Center? Work has begun and should be completed before September. Last year we did the Women’s washroom. This was much needed and will make our facility more user friendly.


KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS: Monthly meeting: Executive Meeting on Tuesday September 13th at 5:30 pm, to be followed by a supper at 6:30 pm for a minimum cost of \$10.00 with the General Meeting to follow at 7:30 pm. All brother nights are cordially invited to attend the supper.

NO MASS: Please note that there are no masses at Our Lady of Lourdes Church in Melbourne for August 21st and August 28th.



Please welcome into our Christian community - Jenna Marie Bourque who was baptised on Sunday August 14th, 2022.

Please keep Jenna and her family in your prayers.



Our sympathy is extended to the family and friends of T Antoinette “Toni” Muise and Donna Vanessa Doucette

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them.