



2nd Sunday of Easter April 24th, 2022

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MASS INTENTIONS – April 23rd – May 1st 2022

Sat. 4pm Frank & Sharon Sweeney and Sharon Rodgeron
Sun. 9am Parishioners
Sun. 10 am (Melbourne) Donald Surette
Sun. 11am Rose Purdy and J. Alyre Comeau
Sun. 3pm Devine Mercy Sunday Service
Mon. 6:30pm Robert & Elizabeth Trefry and
 Helen Doucette
Wed. 9am Janice Surette Leslie and Delmer Muise
Fri. 9am Eleanor & Raymond Cottreau and Roland
 Surette
Sat. 4pm Delbert d'Entremont and David "Bub" LeBlanc
Sun. 9am Richard MacPherson and Paul Atkins
Sun. 10 am (Melbourne) Anniv. Arthur Muise
Sun. 11am Parishioners

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LIVE STREAM MASS AT ST. AMBROSE: We live stream mass every Wednesday 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.stambroseyarmouth.ca or go to our YouTube channel

www.youtube.com/c/SaintAmbroseParish/videos?view=57

REFLECTION: What Do You Prefer? And this is the verdict, that the light came into the world, but people preferred darkness to light, because their works were evil. What a strange thing to be so true. God the Father sent the Son into the world to be Light for us all. He is the Light that dispels all darkness. But, according to the Gospel above, "people preferred darkness to light." They preferred their own sins to freedom from sin. Why is that?

As an example of this reality, all we have to do is watch the news or read the newspaper. It seems that 90% of what is reported in the news media is a sensationalistic presentation of darkness. We hear of one murder after another or one scandal after another. Why does the media focus upon this so much? Because it's what sells. And why does it sell? Because we too often are drawn to darkness more than we are to light.

Certainly, that is not the case for everyone. So many are quite disinterested in the darkness of the world and the sensationalistic sins all around us. But the fact that the darkness of evil is so front and center all the time should offer us a certain warning about our fallen human nature. We tend to be drawn into mud and too often are all too happy there.

Easter is a time to examine what it is you are drawn to. Do you let yourself be drawn into the Light? Are you attracted by those things that brighten your day? Are you drawn to the many ways that God is present and active in the world all around you? Hopefully you are. But there is most likely some degree of pull toward disorder, sin and darkness. There can be an interior conflict that everyone experiences. It's good to be aware of this, to identify it as part of our fallen human tendency, and to seek to shed all interest in the chaos and evil all around us. As a follower of Christ, we are called to keep our eyes on Him and on Him alone. We are called to penetrate the darkness with our faith and to let our whole being be attracted to and drawn



toward Christ Jesus. Perfection means that even our passions and desires are ultimately drawn to Christ as the Light of our life. Reflect, today, upon that which you are drawn toward the most. Commit yourself to the Light this Easter Season. Move your eyes from the temptation to become drawn in and fascinated by the evil around us, to the joyful vision of our Resurrected Lord alive and at work all around us. Let this Light guide your daily life.
 ~My Catholic Life

EUCHARISTIC RENEWELL: Online workshop presented by Franciscan University of Steubenville.

But only say the word and my soul shall be healed. Called to Him. Kept in Him. Made new in Him. God's generosity and His Fatherly love is most fully manifest in His Son's incarnation in ancient Israel and His continuing presence in the Blessed Sacrament upon every altar. Our lives flow from the Eucharist and lead back to the Eucharist, so that we may be filled with God's life, sent into the world to proclaim the Good News, and be strengthened and invigorated for a life lived for others. This pragmatic and deeply inspiring set of workshops addresses three critical aspects of the Eucharistic renewal so needed today:

- How to see God's gift of the Eucharist, rooted in knowing Jesus personally and loving the sacred liturgy.
- How to be *formed* for a Eucharistic life of intimate devotion and radical trust.
- How to *give* the saving truths of the Eucharist to others effectively in the home, the classroom, and in any relationship.

It is our privilege to pass on this magnificent inheritance of faith to the next generation, echoing the action of faithful disciples from the centuries before us. This track is designed to help you, whether you are a parent, catechist, teacher, or parishioner, to better understand the Eucharist and its matchless importance in God's plan for humanity.

This online course can be started at any time. It has no deadlines and is entirely self paced. Question or information on how to sign up: ChristLife.Yarmouth@gmail.com

HOMELES IN YARMOUTH Some time ago, our Archbishop put out the message that he wants parishes in the diocese to help with homelessness. You may have heard about the tiny shelters that were put up around the city. We have been looking into the situation around Yarmouth to see what we can do and it was decided we would start by helping with some of their needs. Most people are able to stay at places like cheap motels but don't have much left over since Welfare doesn't give much. If you want to help, here is a list of things needed that they often don't have money for. You can drop these items off at the parish center or leave them at the back of the church after weekend mass. Fr. Henry.

Personal hygiene: shampoo, soap, body wash, deodorant, razors, toothpaste, toothbrushes, hair brushes, combs, sanitary pads/tampons.

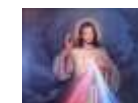
Clothing: socks, underwear. Basic cleaning: all-purpose cleaner, dish detergent, bathroom cleaner, laundry soap.

Miscellaneous: toilet tissue, Kleenex, vouchers for a cup of coffee or a slice of pizza.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK: No one should follow what he considers to be good for himself, but rather what seems good for another. Let them put Christ before all else; and may he lead us all to everlasting life.
 ~St.Benedict



DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY: There will be a Divine Mercy Service Sunday April 24th at 3:00pm at St. Ambrose Church. Please come join us in praying this prayer.



CATHOLIC WOMEN'S NEWS: Monthly Meeting for all Catholic Women's League members May 1st at 2:00 pm in the Jubilee Room. New members are always welcome.



CWL FUNDRAISER: The CWL will be selling tea cups and saucers, with either a plant or flower in them for Mother's day. We cannot guarantee a specific flower or plant. It will depend on what's available. You can pre order by calling Dawn Scott at 902-663-2700 or Carol Ann LeBlanc at 902-742-7973. The price is \$10.00 per cup and saucer and will be sold after the masses on May 7th and 8th in the Jubilee Room.

