



5th Sunday of Easter May 15th, 2022

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MASS INTENTIONS –May 14th – 22th 2022

Sat. 4pm Troy Comeau and J. Donald Surette
Sun. 9am Parishioners
Sun. 11am Albert Bourque and Anthony & Margaret
 Belliveau
Wed. 9am Frances Cottreau and Mr. & Mrs. John Murphy
Sat. 4pm Johnnie O’Connell and Anniv. George Cottreau
Sun. 9am Anniv. Ernie & Madeleine Landry and Marilyn
 Burns
Sun. 10 am (Melbourne) Edith Mary LeBlanc
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.stambrosearmouth.ca or go to our YouTube channel

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

REFLECTION: Glorification Through Suffering

When Judas had left them, Jesus said, “Now is the Son of Man glorified, and God is glorified in him.” It is essential to know the end of the story. Jesus knew the end when He spoke these words to the Apostles at the Last Supper right after Judas left to go and betray Him. It’s important to put this situation within the context that Jesus understood it. From a purely human point of view, one of Jesus’ closest friends was about to betray Him for money. For most of us this would have been devastating and the cause for anger and hurt. But because Jesus knew the end of the story, He was able to see Judas’ betrayal as the means to His glorification, not His defeat. He turned His eyes toward Heaven and all that He would accomplish through His suffering rather than look at the immediate pain He would soon endure.

This is a powerful lesson for us all. First, it’s essential that we look at Jesus’ glorification through His betrayal, suffering and death. But we must also strive to see the potential that our own sufferings have when united to the Savior of the World.

How do you react when other sins against you? How would you have reacted to Judas betraying your love? This is a very difficult question to face in honesty and it is even harder to live the response that Jesus lived. The truth is that every time we are mistreated by another, we are given an opportunity to glorify God and further the Kingdom of Heaven by forgiving, uniting our suffering with Christ’s, and offering mercy. This is much easier to speak about than to live.

Reflect, today, upon this scene of the Gospel. Gaze upon Judas leaving the Last Supper and going out into the night to betray our Lord. But look at it in the way Jesus saw it. Look at it with the understanding that this was the means chosen by the Father to bring salvation to the world. Reflect, also, upon every opportunity that you are given to do as Jesus did. Try to be concrete and specific and see any and every suffering you endure as a glorious opportunity to dispense the mercy of God. Though this may be difficult at first, it is this act of love that will give great glory to the Father in Heaven!

My dear Lord, You were betrayed by the kiss of one of Your closest friends. But in Your perfect wisdom, You saw this betrayal as the perfect opportunity to glorify the Father through Your mercy and forgiveness. Lord, I also have betrayed You countless times. For that reason, I am sorry. But I thank You for loving me and forgiving me with Your Heart of perfect mercy. Help me to receive that mercy and to offer it to others who have sinned against me. Jesus, I trust in You. ~ My Catholic Life

EUCHARISTIC RENEWAL: 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

QUOTE OF THE WEEK: Take care of your body as if



you were going to live forever, and take

care of your soul as if you were going to die tomorrow. -St. Augustine

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS:

“Knights of Columbus Council 2181 will be carrying out a recruitment drive, for new members on Saturday, May 28th and Sunday, 29th.
4th Degree meeting: Tuesday May 17th at 7pm.

WEDGEPORT LEGION BRANCH 155:


Legionnaires, veterans and public invited to attend a commemoration of D-Day, Liberation of Holland and Victory in Europe Day, Saturday June 4, 2022, 11am followed by a reception at the Wedgeport Legion Branch 155 hall.

CATHOLIC SUMMER CAMP:

We are happy to say Catholic Summer Camp is on for **August 7th - 12th** at Johnston Christian Park, South Range, Digby County. \$200.00 early bird fee if registered by June 30th. After this registration will be \$225.00. You can get a registration form at the entrance of the church, the parish office or on the website.

CWL and St. Ambrose Quilters News:

Do you have a quilt you wish hand quilted? Contact Caroline Pike at (902)742-7470. The CWL would like to thank everyone for the successful tea cup and plant fundraiser. Father Henry for offering to help, those who donated cups, gave seedlings and made a purchase. We hope to make this an annual event. Dawn Scott, CWL president



Our sympathy is extended to the family and friends of
 Ruth Louise Gaudet and Kenneth Ulysses Doucette
 Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them.