



**6th Sunday of Ordinary
Time
February 13th & 14th, 2021**

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Reconciliation/confession is available by appointment only at this time please call the office or email Fr. Henry directly for an appointment.

MASS INTENTIONS--February 13th -21st, 2021

Sat.	Feb.13	4pm	Parishioners
	Feb .14	9am	Edward Robicheau and Bob Earle
Sun.	Feb. 14	10am (Melbourne)	Marc Andre MacInnis
	Feb.14	11am	Brian MacKenzie and Jean Cottreau
Wed.	Feb. 17	9am	Rick Muise and Victor Doucette
	Feb. 17	6:30	Debbie L. Muise and Antoinette LeBlanc
	Feb. 17	6:30 (Melbourne)	Evangeline Saulnier
Sat.	Feb.20	4pm	Herbert Maillet and Anne MacEachern
Sun.	Feb.21	9am	Marc Boudreau and Greg & Barb Deveau
	Feb. 21	10am (Melbourne)	Doris Fitzgerald
	Feb. 21	11am	Parishioners

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.stambroseyarmouth.ca or go to our YouTube channel www.youtube.com/c/SaintAmbroseParish/videos?view=57

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QUOTE OF THE WEEK: Love cannot remain by itself



- it has no meaning. Love has to be put into action and that action is service. -St. Teresa of Calcutta

REFLECTION: I Do Will It! A leper came to Jesus and



kneeling down begged him and said, "If you wish, you can make me clean." Moved with pity, he stretched out his hand, touched him, and said to him, "I do will it. Be made clean." "I do will it." These four little words are worth digging into and pondering. At first, we may read these words quickly and miss their depth and significance. We may simply jump to which Jesus wills and miss the fact of His willing itself. But His act of willing is significant. Sure, that which He willed is significant also. The fact that He cured a leper has great meaning and significance. Certainly, it shows us His authority over nature. It shows His almighty power. It shows that Jesus can heal all wounds that are analogized by leprosy. But don't miss those four words: "I do will it." First of all, the two words "I do" are sacred words used at various times in our liturgies and are used to profess faith and commitment. They are used in marriages to establish an unbreakable spiritual union, they are used in baptisms and other sacraments to renew our faith publicly, and they are also used in the ordination rite of priests as he makes his solemn promises. To say "I do" is what one may call "action words." They are words that are also an act, a choice, a commitment, a decision. They are words that have an effect on who we are and what we choose to become. Jesus also adds "...will it." So Jesus is not just making a personal choice here or a personal commitment about His own life and convictions; rather, His words are an action that is effective and makes a difference for another. The mere fact that He wills something, and then sets that will into motion by His words, means something happened. Something changed. An act of God was accomplished. It would be of great benefit to us to sit with those words and ponder

what sort of significance they have in our lives. When Jesus speaks those words to us, what is He willing? What is the "it" He is referring to? He definitely has a particular will for our lives and He is definitely willing to enact it in our lives if we are willing to hear those words. In this Gospel passage, the leper was completely disposed to Jesus' words. He was on his knees before Him as a sign of complete trust and complete submission. He was ready to have Jesus act in his life and it is this openness, more than anything else, that evokes these action words from Jesus. The leprosy is a clear sign of our own weaknesses and sin. It's a clear sign of our fallen human nature and weakness. It's a clear sign that we cannot heal ourselves. It's a clear sign that we need the Divine Healer. When we acknowledge all of these realities and truths, we will be in a position, just like this leper, to turn to Jesus, on our knees, and beg His action in our lives. Reflect, today, upon Jesus' words and listen to what He is saying to you through them. Jesus wills it. Do you? And if you do, are you willing to turn to Him and ask Him to act? Are you willing to ask for and receive His will? ~My Catholic Life

ASH WEDNESDAY FAST AND ABSTINENCE

RULES: Every person 14 years of age or older must abstain from (not eat) meat. Every person between the age of 18 and 59 must also fast on Ash Wednesday meaning you can eat the equivalent of two meals that day. For example, you can choose to eat one normal meal and two other meals that add up to one meal.



ASH WEDNESDAY: There will be two masses for



Ash Wednesday this year. One at 9:00am and one at 6:30pm. If you wish to attend one of these masses, please phone the office on February 15th or 16th between 1:00pm and 3:00 pm. It will be first come first served. You also have the option of doing your own Ash Wednesday service at home. If you are interested in this, someone will be outside after the mass to hand you some ashes and a program. The 9:00 am mass will also be live streamed. Our Lady Lourdes Melbourne Ash Wednesday mass will be at 6:30 pm.

INCOME TAX RECEIPTS: 2020 income tax receipts can be picked up at the Parish Centre Office Monday to Friday between the hours of 9:30-1:00.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS: NOVA SCOTIA



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS STATE SCHOLARSHIP (value \$1000.00) Scholarships are available for Catholic students and who will be attending first year University or Community College next year. Yarmouth Council 2181 will accept applications from students living in the geographic area served by our Council (including the area of the former Wedgeport Council). Scholarships are awarded based on academic standing and volunteer activities. Students applying for a Nova Scotia State Scholarship will also be considered for a Council 2181 Scholarship which is valued at \$500.00. Please consult your school guidance councillor for application forms. Completed applications with supporting documents must be received by Council 2181 Scholarship Chairman Philippe Doucet on or before Friday, March 12, 2021. If you require more information, please call 742-2940 or 748-1592.



Please welcome into our Christian community - Margot James Bernard and Tatum Theodore Muise who were baptised on Sunday February 7th 2021.

Please keep Margot, Tatum and their families in your prayers.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: will begin on Friday,



February 19 and will continue every Friday during Lent at St. Ambrose Co-Cathedral at 6:30pm. Each week, it will be led by a different group. We will be following safety protocols so it will be a first come first served basis. Please note we will record the first week and it will be available on our website for the duration of Lent.