



6th Sunday of Ordinary Time
February 13th, 2022

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Reconciliation/confession is held on Wednesday
 after mass from 9:30-10:00

MASS INTENTIONS – February 12th – 20th, 2022

- Sat. 4pm Parishioners
- Sun. 9am Marguerite Thibault and Lee Berrouard
- Sun. 10am (Melbourne) Evelyn Pothier
- Sun. 11am Wesley Spinney and Patsy Post-Nodimovich
- Wed. 9am May Deveau and Jeanne Doucette
- Sat. 4pm Stan Bishara Sr. and Edward Deveau
- Sun. 9am Parishioners
- Sun. 10am (Melbourne) Anniv. Loring Clairmont
- Sun. 11am Anniv. Kathy Hubbard and Edith Hannigan

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

EMAIL TRANSFERS: are available. Please send to stambrosemail@gmail.com Please add your envelope number or personal information for income tax purposes.

REFLECTIONS: It Takes a Lot of Faith!



“Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude

and insult you, and denounce your name as evil on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice and leap for joy on that day! Behold, your reward will be great in heaven.”

It takes a lot of faith to “rejoice and leap for joy” after experiencing hatred and persecution from another. Even when one is persecuted on account of his/her faith in Christ, it takes a lot of faith and a lot of love to sincerely rejoice.

But with that said, this level of faith and love is possible! If it were not, our Lord would not have given this teaching. It is a teaching to live the highest ideal. It’s a calling to live in Beatitude.

Though it would be worth it to spend time on each and every one of the Beatitudes and to try to apply them to our lives, it’s also helpful to look at the more general fact that Jesus does not call us to mediocrity; rather, He calls us to the heights of perfection. It is within those heights that our souls find the greatest reward.

Reflect, today, upon this Beatitude. Perhaps you have never experienced persecution and hatred as a result of following Jesus. But even if you haven’t, try to put yourself into this situation and try to honestly discover how you would react. Would you be able to allow persecution to “roll off your back” so to speak? Would you be able to accept injustice in your life without allowing it to disturb your interior peace? Or would you turn bitter and angry as a result of the hurt you would feel?

Try to put your eyes upon the ideals of the Christian life. If you aim for anything less, you run the risk of actually attaining that lower goal. But if you put your eyes upon the high calling of the Beatitudes, then you will find that our Lord will continually draw you closer to His heart, cleansing you, strengthening you, filling you with more faith, hope and love, and bringing you to an increasingly blessed level of holiness. It’s worth it to aim for the ideal!

Lord of perfection, please make me holy. Help me to keep my eyes upon You and upon the virtues and Beatitudes that You call me to live. May I never settle for a mediocre life. Instead, may I strive only

for a life of perfection and holiness making You the center of all I long for. Jesus, I trust in You.
~My Catholic Life

ARE YOU LOOKING FOR A WAY TO DEEPEN YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD?

Join us this Lent for an Introduction to Ignatian Spirituality. No prior knowledge is necessary. Open to anyone who is seeking assistance to grow closer to our God, regardless of your spirituality or if you currently pray at all. Each week we will discuss what St. Ignatius of Loyola taught about gratitude and a passionate response to our generous God’s invitation to know Him. Topics include: Praying with scripture; Praying the Examen - St. Ignatius urged his followers to pray the Examen each day even if they did not have time to pray anything else; Understanding discernment; Principles for making good decisions; and more. 500 years ago, St Ignatius’ life was changed by a cannonball and his spiritual insights have changed millions of lives since.

Beginning Thursday March 3 at 7:00 p.m., repeating beginning Monday March 7 at 2:00 p.m.

No fee, but pre-registration is required, please email ChristLife.yarmouth@gmail.com or call or text Helen at 902 742-6216 to register or with any questions.

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 11, 2022. If you require more information, please call 742-2970 or 748-1592.



QUOTE OF THE WEEK: Let nothing disturb you. Let



nothing frighten you. All things are passing away. God never changes.
-St. Teresa of Avila

OLD PALM: If anyone has old palm from last year,



you can leave it in the container at the back of the church or you may burn your old palm yourself at home.

LENTEN DAILY DEVOTION BOOKLETS:

Drawn to the Cross is the daily Lenten devotion booklet that is available for pick up at the church entrance or Parish Centre office for \$2.00.

THE WORD AMONG US:

The missals for the month of March and April have arrived. They can be picked up at the parish office or in the entrance of the church for \$3.00.


INCOME TAX RECEIPTS:

The income tax receipts for 2021 are ready. They can be picked up at the parish office Monday to Friday. For those who are scheduled to attend mass on the weekends we will have them available at the church.

ST. JOSEPH ICON:

Knights of Columbus Council 2181 is pleased to be able to share and display their orders Pilgrim Icon of St. Joseph. The icon will be on display in St. Ambrose Co-Cathedral church for the next two weekends.





Our sympathy is extended to the family and friends of

Elizabeth Georgina Landry, Frances Mary Cottreau, Julia Mary Deveau, Terry Richard Muise, Wallace Louis DeViller, James Anthony Fitzgerald and Caroline Louise Comeau

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