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SUNDAY MASS

Saturday: 4:30 p.m.

Sunday: 9:30 a.m.

WEEKDAY MASS

See Bulletin

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturday 3:45 p.m. – 4:15 p.m. - Sacristy

Weekdays – Before weekday Masses in Sacristy,
or by appointment

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

4 JULY 2021

Let us pray . . .

Saint Joseph, Pray for Us

For Willow Mary Lehovitch who received First Holy Communion last Sunday, may she grow in Love of Eucharist.

That those who have been affected by the coronavirus: the sick, the dying, their families and care givers; those who struggle with fear, anxiety and depression; those who have lost their jobs and dare suffering economic hardship.

For those who have died and left this transitory life . . . especially for the repose of the souls of Howard Kavelman brother-in-law of Maureen Kiedroski, our Loved Ones and the Pandemic Victims .

Requiescant in Pace!

CELEBRATION OF MASS

Thursday	12:00 noon 12:10 p.m.	The Angelus Spencer Stanutz by Eleanor Stanutz and Family Reverend Murray C. Farwell by Friends
Friday	9:00 a.m.	Peter Aleck by Larry and Cathy Serran

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME 11 JULY 2021

Saturday	4:30 p.m.	Doris Hudder by Maureen Kiedroski
Sunday	9:30 a.m.	Missa Pro Populo (Mass for all the People)

LITURGICAL APPOINTMENTS

	July 10 th	July 11 th
Readers	Gabriel O'Brien	Brooke-Lyn Lundy/Noah Kluge
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Leona Chapeskie	Pierre-Paul & Judy Filion

Head of the Holy Family, Pray for Us.

Jesus and Mary not only bent their wills to Joseph's for he was head of the Holy Family, but they lovingly surrendered their hearts to him as well. St. Peter Julian Eymard

Come Home now when it is now possible. Our churches now accommodate more people safely and now is the time to return to the celebration of Mass and reception of the Holy Eucharist. Many people do not hesitate to go to stores, work, family gatherings, even the LCBO. After over a year, Mass is precisely the place where we experience strength to alleviate our anxiety, fear and nervousness. Our place of worship is probably one of the most sanitized spaces in our town. We are also sensitive and respectful to those who for various reasons are unable to attend at this present time.

52nd International Eucharistic Congress – 5–12 September, 2021 : You are invited to attend this very special event of the Catholic Church in Budapest, Hungary. The Congress will include a full program of events including daily Mass, testimonies, catechesis by various Cardinals, workshops, youth evening, Festival of Families, Eucharistic candlelight procession and closing Mass with Pope Francis. For complete program details and list of all speakers go to www.iec2020.hu/en/program.

Defending the Faith Livestreamed Session – During these trying times, God wants to give us bold and confident hearts to share his truth and love with joy! Live streamed session includes a thought-provoking keynote, Rite and Just: The Power of Worship, by presenter Dr. Scott Hahn, a meditative time of Eucharistic adoration, and special guests. July 31, 2021, 6:30 – 10:00 p.m. Put on by Steubenville Conferences. Info: <https://steubenvilleconferences.com/events/dfc/#/livestream>.

I will give to you the keys of the kingdom of heaven.
(Matthew 16.13-19)

MESSAGE FROM THE BISHOP

Catherine Doherty's insight on evangelization: second of three parts

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Last week, I brought you part one of three of a reflection by Catherine Doherty on the topic of evangelization. If you didn't get a chance to read the first part, go to the diocesan website and check out last week's [Weekly Bulletin](#). Here is the second part of an excerpt from Chapter 7, taken from the book entitled: "*The Mystical Body of Christ*." (see back page)

Sincerely yours in Christ our redeemer,

+Guy Desrochers, C.Ss.R.
Bishop of Pembroke

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Last Sunday Offering \$2695.00

64 Household Envelopes & 4 E-transfers: \$2355.00
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Thank you for your continuing commitment during these difficult times.

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Evangelization—good news as gift

Chapter 7, *The Mystical Body of Christ* by Catherine Doherty,

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Evangelize by words and by your life

Evangelizing doesn't mean, though, that you just preach the Gospel with your words; words are cheap, unless they are incarnated. By 'incarnated' I mean that the words you say match the acts that you do, the life that you lead. To evangelize we do have to speak the word of God, for it comes by hearing. But if we 'preach' and in our own life you or I contradict that preaching, then people will leave the Church instead of coming into it. To evangelize another I must love him or her; without my love, no evangelization is possible. The Good News will fall flat on the hearts and ears of people if they are not presented with love.

Evangelizing is a very simple thing, but you have to pray in order to express the love that fills your heart, especially if you are shy and don't want to talk. God wants to use us as he used the uncouth, unlearned disciples for whom he thanked God saying, "I bless you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for hiding these things from the learned and the clever and revealing them to mere children." (Mt 11:25) May we desire to be used by him, no matter the cost to us.

Love is transmitted by the fire in our hearts. It is transmitted by a glance, by shaking a hand or holding a hand, so that the power of your love passes to the other. It is found in an intense listening that makes the listener feel that you are completely interested in him or her, and nobody else. That kind of love comes directly from God. Does he ask that we should be highly educated, or have facility of tongue and speech? It doesn't seem so. All of us who have been baptized must speak the Gospel by deed and then by word.

Start with friendship, person-to-person

One technique in loving others is what I call the "chitchat apostolate," a homey person-to-person approach. It is a way of loving, of discovering the real needs of people. The chit-chat apostolate is but another way of speaking of friendships that are formed apparently casually, yet not so casually. When we are walking or traveling, we can be filled with our own thoughts and unconcerned about the people we meet—or we can love and be concerned about everyone, every step of the way. We are often afraid to meet the other person, the stranger. Well, the inner freedom to open a conversation is achieved by prayer. This personal approach is effective. We need to reach out to people, person to person.

The chitchat apostolate is essential to friendship, to brotherhood. Our cities are becoming more cosmopolitan and the differences in mores, language, attitudes spring unbidden before our eyes. It is imperative that we believe that we are all brothers and sisters under the skin, all parts of one humanity. Our love must have the quality of empathy, putting ourselves in the place of the other, feeling what they feel and thinking as they think.

We need to walk softly; the whole process is gentle, never violent, never coming from one who thinks himself better than the one he serves. Patience and time are required, to listen to those who are inarticulate, who take a long time to express themselves, but somehow the ingenuity of love can find the precious commodity—time—to listen. As you listen, evaluate how best to respond. We Christians must use all our might to do this, through prayer and more prayer, for people's souls have been burdened with terrible hurts.

The chitchat apostolate is an exchange of hearts, an exchange of minds. Being an evangelizer is being a bridge between God and man, but I must be well-anchored in God to be able to give God to man. That is really what it amounts to.

To be continued...