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✠ Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time ✠

July 14, 2024

A SMILE: can do much good. A smile is one of nature's best means of making people happy. One of the most delightful factors in a personality is a real heart-warming smile that comes from within. Actions speak louder than words, and a smile says, "I like you. You make me happy. I am glad to see you." If you do not feel like smiling, smile anyway; make yourself smile.

A smile costs nothing but creates much. It enriches those who receive it and does not impoverish you in the least. A smile creates happiness in the home and fosters good will among men. It is rest to the weary, daylight to the discouraged, sunshine to the sad, and nature's best remedy for trouble.

A smile is no earthly good to anyone until it is given away. None of us are so rich that we can get along without it, and none of us are really poor as long as we can smile. Nobody needs a smile so much as the one who has none to give. So, get used to smiling heart-warming smiles, and you will spread sunshine in a sometimes-dreary world. This sunshine is the sunshine of God's love, if you smile from the motive of loving your neighbour and making him happy for the love of God. Smile to yourself until you notice that your seriousness, or even severity has vanished – until you have warmed your own heart with the development of a cheery disposition. ~ *Fr. Lawrence G. Lovasik*

PARISH OFFICES ARE CLOSED the week of July 22 – 26. You can still leave a phone or email message and we will get back to you if it is an emergency.

☀ **Welcome to all our summer visitors!** ☀

Fifteenth Week of Ordinary Time

July 15 – 20

Tuesday	9:00 a.m.	(with <i>Our Lady of Perpetual Help Devotions</i>) + Barb Goulet by <i>Bill Goulet & Family</i>
Friday	9:00 a.m.	+ Keith Towns by <i>Rozek Family</i>

+ Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time +

July 21, 2024

Saturday	4:00 p.m.	+ John MacLeod by <i>Terri MacLeod</i> + Cathy Serran by <i>Larry & Family</i>
Sunday	10:30 a.m.	Mass for the People

Liturgical Appointments

Readings

Communion

Offertory

July 20

Jane Beahen

Beverly Glofcheskie

Richard Luckasavitch

Barry Dombroskie

July 21

Joanne Olsen

Terry Recoskie

Jason Dombroskie

Jamie Prince

KNEELING FOR HOLY COMMUNION: When Fr. Lenius is the only person distributing Holy Communion, in charity, please refrain from kneeling before him because he suffers from bouts of vertigo, and it is at times disorienting for him. When there is more than one person distributing, and you wish to kneel, please approach the other person. The Roman Rite wisely permits a diversity of ways for receiving Holy Communion (standing, kneeling, on the tongue, by hand) so long as they are done with reverence.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Saturday 3:15 p.m. – 3:45 p.m. in sacristy. Weekdays – before weekday Masses in sacristy or by appointment during office hours.

IN YOUR PRAYERS, PLEASE REMEMBER:

- that the Lord Jesus would anoint Fr. Michael Brehl as he prepares to shepherd our diocese
- Fr. Lukas Casta who was recently ordained to Holy Orders
- for parishioners and friends who are sick, especially: *Carmel Rumleskie*.
- for those who have died, especially: *Catherine 'Cathy' Serran; Kay Luckasavitch; Margaret Thuemen*.

ROMAN CALENDAR:

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| Monday | - St. Bonaventure, bishop, doctor |
| Saturday | - St. Apollinaris, bishop, martyr |

IN THIS SUNDAY'S GOSPEL Jesus takes the initiative of sending the Twelve Apostles out on mission (see Mk 6:7-13). In fact, the term “apostles” means, precisely, “messengers” or “envoys”. Their vocation was to be fully achieved only after Christ’s Resurrection with the gift of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. Yet it is very significant that Jesus wants to involve the Twelve in his action from the outset: it is a sort of “apprenticeship” with a view to the great responsibility that awaited them. The fact that Jesus calls certain disciples to collaborate directly in his mission demonstrates one aspect of his love, namely, he does not spurn the help that other people can contribute to his work; he knows their limitations, their weaknesses, but bears no contempt for them. On the contrary Jesus confers on them the dignity of being his envoys. He sends them out two by two and gives them instructions which the Evangelist sums up in a few sentences. The first concerns the spirit of detachment: the Apostles must not be attached to money or to other comforts. Then Jesus warns the disciples that they will not always receive a favorable welcome. Sometimes they will be rejected; they might even be persecuted. However, this must not frighten them: they must speak in Jesus’ name and preach the Kingdom of God without being worried about whether or not they will succeed. Succeed — its success must be left to God.

Jesus warns the Twelve that in some places they may be rejected. Should this be the case, they are to go elsewhere, having shaken the dust from their feet in public. This sign expresses detachment in two senses: moral detachment — as if to say it is you who have refused the proclamation offered to you — and material detachment. We did not seek and do not want anything for ourselves (see Mk 6:11).

The other very important instruction in the Gospel passage is that the Twelve must not be content with preaching conversion. They must accompany their preaching, in accordance with Jesus’ instructions and example, with care for the sick, with caring for those who are sick in body and in spirit. It speaks of the healing of illnesses and also of driving out demons, that is, of purifying the human mind, cleansing, cleansing the eyes of the soul that are clouded by ideologies and hence cannot see God, cannot see truth and justice. This twofold corporal and spiritual healing is always the mandate of Christ’s disciples. Hence the apostolic mission must always include the two aspects of preaching God’s word and of showing his goodness in gestures of charity, service and dedication.

The Lord calls everyone, distributing different gifts for different tasks in the Church. He calls people to the priesthood and to the consecrated life and he calls them to marriage and to commitment as lay people, both in the Church herself and in society. It is important that the wealth of gifts be fully accepted, especially on the part of the young; so that they feel the joy of responding to God with the whole of themselves, giving joy on the path of the priesthood or of the consecrated life, or on the path of marriage, two complementary routes that illuminate and enrich each other and together enrich the community. Virginity for the Kingdom of God and marriage are both vocations, calls from God to which to respond throughout one’s life. *From a Homily by Pope Benedict XVI; July 15, 2012*

LAST WEEK'S SUNDAY OFFERINGS:

Total: \$3,496.00 (Envelopes: \$3,117.00; Loose: \$194.00; Visitors: \$90.00; Life is Precious Sign: \$95.00) [People at Mass: 4:00 p.m./107; 10:30 a.m./116]

CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS FOR CHILDREN: Preparation for First Holy Communion and Confirmation in our parish is in accordance with diocesan policy which encourages a process of individualized family faith formation. Families who wish to have their children begin preparing for these sacraments are invited to speak to Fr. Burchat after Sunday Mass. Parents will also be invited to return to the practice of the faith with regular Mass attendance. The parish provides resources and catechetical assistance.

EVENINGS OF PRAISE, WORSHIP AND INTERCESSORY PRAYER: Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. in the St. Lawrence O'Toole parish hall.

84th ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE TO THE SHRINE OF ST. ANN, CORMAC – Sunday, July 28th The Triduum of preparation led by Father Ryan Holly, Diocesan Administrator will be Thursday to Saturday, July 25th – 27th. The principal Pilgrimage Mass will be held on Sunday, July 28th at 11 a.m. at the Shrine. A Mass of healing with the Anointing of St. Ann's oil will be celebrated at 2 p.m. (Please bring your own seating). St. Ann's religious articles, St. Ann's Mass League memberships, food and refreshment vendors will be on site. For more information visit the website at <https://cormacpilgrimage.com/> or <https://www.facebook.com/CormacStAnn>.

WALK THE OPEONGO LINE TO ST. ANN'S SHRINE: From July 25th to July 28th. Join pilgrims from all ages (7-77) in this life-changing, 4-day journey from Our Lady of Fatima Parish, Renfrew to St. Ann's Shrine, Cormac. Walk, pray, sing and camp your way to St. Ann's! For more information, or to register, visit the website at <https://walktheopeongoline.org>

CONSECRATION OF OUR NEW BISHOP: On June 11, 2024, Pope Francis appointed Rev. Michael Brehl, C.Ss.R. as the 10th Bishop of Pembroke. The Episcopal Ordination will be held at St. Columbkille Cathedral on Thursday, August 15, 2024 (The Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary) at 10 a.m. All are welcome!

31ST ANNUAL FEAST OF OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL: Tuesday, July 16th. On Mt. Carmel Hill (Ferrant Family Farm), 293 Hubers Road, R.R.#3 Killaloe. Celebration of Rosary at 5:00 p.m. Mass at 6:00 p.m. Followed by potluck lunch and fellowship. Please bring chairs, games and food to share. For more information, call Ted or Maria at 613-757-0438. Bring friends and family, everyone welcome!