



ST. PHILIP'S PARISH

SERVING THE PEOPLE OF GOD IN CENTRAL LAMBTON
EST. 1867 HOLY ROSARY (1867-2007) ST. ANNE (1866-1974)

June 21, 2020

Fr. Francis continues to celebrate daily Mass, and continues to pray for all. Weekday Mass intentions are encouraged and welcomed. please email Denise at dannett@dol.ca, for your intention requests.

Monday, June 22nd

t Frank VanVleet
Offered by Our Parish Family

Tuesday, June 23rd

t James & Ann Gleason
Offered by Cathy Brinston

Wednesday, June 24th

t Margaret McCallum
Offered by Margaret Holmes

Thursday, June 25th

t Giovanni Bolzon
Offered by Lilliana Bolzon and Family

Friday, June 26th

Intentions of Juliette McDonald
Offered by Sheldon & Denise Annett

Saturday, June 27th

Joe Jenniskens (June 28th Birthday)
Offered by Anna Jenniskens

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The theme of fear and denial seems prominent in today's Gospel. It is in stark contrast to other messages presented throughout the Bible. However, perhaps the theme is actually a promise of life everlasting. Jesus is preparing his followers to spread Christianity and in describing the dangers of this journey, he also promises that their souls shall live forever.

What does this Gospel mean for us today? We are faced daily with situations in which we can expose our faith or keep it hidden. I can think of many discussions in which I have not spoken up in defense of my beliefs. For this, will I be denied as the Gospel describes?

Jesus also reminds us that we are so precious in God's eyes that each hair on our heads is numbered. So what will it be? Are we so loved that when we fail to proclaim our faith we will be forgiven? Then what is the denial that Jesus mentions? "Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. "When we fall, we must remember that we are still in the Lord's care. We can proclaim his love from the rooftops, as have many believers before us. We have all been promised a chance for life everlasting.

Julanna Deutscher Edmonton, AB

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First Reading: Jeremiah 20.10-13

Psalm: 69

Second Reading: 1 Romans 5.12-15

Gospel: Matthew 10.26-33

Bishop Fabbro and the Diocese have released the guidelines that we must follow in order to resume regular Masses at St. Philip's. First and foremost is the health and safety of our parish family. As we might expect there are changes and adjustments that will have to be made in order to safely open our doors.

On Tuesday this week a small group of staff and parishioners met to hear about the guidelines and make suggestions as to how best to proceed. It was decided at this meeting that our expected opening date will be

July 4th & 5th. Saturday 5:00pm and Sunday 9:00 am and 11:00am.

The adjustment of seating necessary to adhere to the 30% seating capacity and ensuring the 2m/6ft social distancing is observed at all times throughout the Church is just one of the guidelines we need to follow in order to safely re-open our doors.

WE NEED YOU

We can put guidelines into place, but none of this is possible without your help. At every mass we will need a number of volunteers to assist with welcoming and registering our parishioners, seating our parishioners, directing traffic flow in and out of the Church and at communion, and sanitizing the Church following each Mass. At this time we are thinking that a minimum of 7 volunteers will be needed for each Mass.

If you are able to assist in any of these rolls, please contact Denise at dannett@dol.ca or at her personal phone number 519-384-9588.

With your help, we will be able to successfully resume our Celebration of the Eucharist, safely and as a Parish family.