



# ST. PIUS X CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

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## 27<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME October 4, 2015

### WHY DID THE POPE CHOOSE 'FRANCIS' AS HIS NAME?

Pope Francis recently addressed this himself:

*I will tell you the story. During the election, I was seated next to the Archbishop Emeritus of Selo Paolo and Prefect Emeritus of the Congregation for the Clergy, Cardinal Claudio Hummes — a good friend, a good friend! When things were looking dangerous, he encouraged me. And when the votes reached two-thirds, there was the usual applause, because the Pope had been elected. And he gave me a hug and a kiss, and said, "Don't forget the poor!" And those words came to me: the poor, the poor. Then, right away, thinking of the poor, I thought of Francis of Assisi.*

Key quotes from Pope Francis' Encyclical on the Environment, *Laudato, Si*

**The Opening Line:** *'LAUDATO SI', mi' Signore* — "Praise be to you, my Lord". In the words of this beautiful canticle, Saint Francis of Assisi reminds us that our common home is like a sister with whom we share our life and a beautiful mother who opens her arms to embrace us. "Praise be to you, my Lord, through our Sister, Mother Earth, who sustains and governs us, and who produces various fruit with coloured flowers and herbs". This sister now cries out to us because of the harm we have inflicted on her by our irresponsible use and abuse of the goods with which God has endowed her. We have come to see ourselves as her lords and masters, entitled to plunder her at will.

**The Climate is a "Common Good":** The climate is a common good, belonging to all and meant for all. At the global level, it is a complex system linked to many of the essential conditions for human life. (23)

**The Poor Are Hurt the Most by Climate Change:** Many of the poor live in areas particularly affected by phenomena related to warming, and their means of subsistence are largely dependent on natural reserves and ecosystemic services such as agriculture, fishing and forestry. They have no other financial activities or resources which can enable them to adapt to climate change or to face natural disasters, and their access to social services and protection is very limited. [...] There has been a tragic rise in the number of migrants seeking to flee from the growing poverty caused by environmental degradation. They are not recognized by international conventions as refugees; they bear the loss of the lives they have left behind, without enjoying any legal protection whatsoever. Sadly, there is widespread indifference to such suffering, which is even now taking place throughout our world. (25).

**Access to Clean Drinking Water:** Yet access to safe drinkable water is a basic and universal human right, since it is essential to human survival and, as such, is a condition for the exercise of other human rights. Our world has a grave social debt towards the poor who lack access to drinking water, because they are denied the right to a life consistent with their inalienable dignity. (29-30; emphasis in original).

**Care for Creation Must Stand Together With Care for the Poor:** Today, however, we have to realize that a true ecological approach always becomes a social approach; it must integrate questions of justice in debates on the environment, so as to hear both the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor. (49)

## SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

October 11

*You could read/discuss/pray with your family, with friends or by yourself.*

**First Reading:** Wisdom 7:7-11  
**Second Reading:** Hebrews 4:12-13  
**Psalm:** 90  
**Gospel:** Mark 10:17-30

### FR. EARL DREAMS

How often has Pope Francis spoken to us about a poor Church; one of more slender means? It is therefore critical for us to applaud and continue the HUGE annual effort of our parish to offer practical support, including financial, to persons who are near (and far) with significant human need. The holy scriptures exhort us to find God present in the poor who live among us or in a neighbourhood not so distant away. Let us consider the ways and means that the face of Christ Poor might become greater in focus? Our parish continues to cast its gaze towards our friends who gather for material support, educational and recreational reasons at *Mc Morran Centre*. Please pray that this particular outreach and others like the *Jamaica Project* be strengthened.

### OUR 'PIUS' SMILE

A man gave out pens at a funeral service with an inscription reading: *'J. R. Phillips, gravedigger. I'll be the last one to let you down'*.

### OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR THE WEEKENDS OF

**September 19 and 20:** \$6,093.35

**September 26 and 27:** \$3,497.87

*Thank you for your continued generous support.*

### YOUTH MASS

We will be celebrating our weekly *Youth/Young Adults Mass Sunday, October 4* at 7 pm.

The university students will be responsible for all the ministries at the Youth/Young Adults Mass on October 25. All are invited.

### RESPECT AGING WEBINAR

If you are interested in finding out more about preventing violence against older persons, you can register for two free webinars, developed by the Newfoundland and Labrador Government. The webinars will be held *October 7 from 11 am - 12 noon and October 20 from 11 am - 12 noon.*

For more information, call **1-800-563-5599**.  
To register, visit [www.gotomeeting.com/webinar](http://www.gotomeeting.com/webinar)



## CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE NOTES:

### Rosary

During the month of October, the CWL will lead the Rosary at **9:10 am** each weekday - *Monday to Friday*.

### POPE FRANCIS' ENCYCLICAL ON THE ENVIRONMENT

**It's title is 'Laudato Si'** which is the opening phrase of St. Francis of Assisi's canticle. The entire phrase is *'Laudato Si', mi Signore'* In the medieval Italian. In modern English it is *"Praise be to you, my Lord"*. In our CBW III we have two hymns based on the canticle, *'Canticle of the Sun'* - #542 and *'All Creatures of Our God and King'* - #543. Copies of Pope Francis' encyclical can be found in the Chapel on the religious goods table.

### SAINTS SPEAK

This week we've been given some practical advice by St. Theresa of Avila. She makes good use of accessible 'royal images' to teach the reader about a true life of prayer.

*Practising mental prayer is not dependent upon keeping your mouth shut. Vocal prayer and mental prayer blend when we are conscious of the fact that we are speaking with God. It is possible to recite the Lord's Prayer while thinking about other things. But when we speak with such a great Lord, we need to remember who is listening and speak with appropriate respect. It is not enough to praise the Lord with our lips alone.*

*Mental prayer and spoken prayer are partners. If we remember who we are when we pray, and the majesty of God who is listening to us, there is no way we can even begin to say anything without first engaging in profound mental prayer. We do not approach and speak to a prince as casually as we talk with a peasant.*

*God's humility permits us to enter his presence and to speak with him. He doesn't command the guards to throw us out. Angels in God's presence know their King prefers the unskilled language of a humble peasant to the speech of the wisest and most educated if they lack humility. His goodness is no excuse for rudeness on our part.*

*When you approach God, remember who is going to hear you, and think about the majesty of God while you pray.*

***Theresa of Avila, Doctor of the Church  
The Way of Perfection***

### SYRIAN REFUGEE COMMITTEE UPDATE

This Committee has held its first meeting and is resolved to respond to this human tragedy in a timely and compassionate way. The Committee will be meeting with an Association for New Canadians (ANC) representative to review its options in assisting the refugees. Further updates next week.

## **LITURGY OF THE WORD and SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION PROGRAMS**

### **Calling All Parents: Registration**

Our Liturgy of the Word programs for children and youth and our sacramental preparation programs for First Communion, Reconciliation and Confirmation will resume on **October 11**.

Registration will continue **Sunday, October 4** in the **Parish Hall, before and after the 11 am Mass**. The **registration fee** for all programs (both sacramental and Liturgy of the Word) will be **\$20 per person**.

Families who reside within parish boundaries or who regularly worship at St. Pius X are eligible to register for these programs.

If you have any questions, please see Maria Kelsey or one of the volunteers at Registration.

**Deadline for registration is Sunday, October 4.**

### **Baptism Certificate**

This year, we request that parents registering their children for Pre-School, Kindergarten, Grade 1 and First Communion/Confirmation programs and those who are new to our Parish, bring a copy of your child's baptism certificate to registration. If your child was baptized at St. Pius X we already have a copy. We request your cooperation in this matter.

### **Help Wanted**

Are you interested in helping with the Children's Liturgy program and Sacramental Preparation programs? Why not phone us at the **Parish Office - 754-0170** or e-mail us at [stpiusx@nl.rogers.com](mailto:stpiusx@nl.rogers.com) or [mkelsey@nl.rogers.com](mailto:mkelsey@nl.rogers.com) and volunteer your service to this rewarding and exciting Ministry.

### **JAMAICAN FESTIVAL**

**Sunday, October 18**, the Religious Education Committee will be hosting the annual **Jamaica Festival** in the **Parish Hall** beginning at **12 noon**. There will be the regular attractions along with a bake/craft sale.

Please mark your calendars, come enjoy the fun and learn more about this foreign mission project. More details to follow in next weekend's bulletin.

### **Calling All Bakers**

We will be having a bake/craft sale during the Jamaica Festival. We are asking for donations of preserves, baked and any homemade goods from our fabulous St. Pius X bakers and crafters. **Donations can be dropped off at the Parish Office during regular office hours or to the Parish Hall on Saturday, October 17 from 2:30 - 4:30 pm and before the 11 am Mass on Sunday, October 18.**

Thank you for continuing to support this project.

## **SPECIAL EVENTS - OCTOBER 11**

Next **Sunday, October 11**, at the **11:00 am Mass**, **Archbishop Currie** will join us as **Father Earl** will be officially installed as **Pastor**. We will also have a special blessing for **Father Mroz** to mark the **beginning of his ministry** at **MUN**, and we will also be celebrating **Father Browne's 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of becoming a Jesuit**. Please join us for this very special day in the life of our Parish. There will be a reception afterwards in the Parish Hall with special activities for the children, who will begin their Liturgy of the Word and sacramental preparation programs.

### **CENTRE FOR LIFE NEWS**

#### **Respect Life Sunday Collection**

This is celebrated in Canada and the U. S. as a day that recognizes the dignity of all human life from conception to natural death.

The **Centre for Life** asks for your support to aid in our work to provide outreach, educational resources, and support to those who maybe facing unexpected pregnancies, have experienced abortion in their lives, and provide senior outreach services.

Attached to this weekend's bulletin is an envelope that you may put your donation. Please include your name, address and envelope number. You can place the envelope in the collection next weekend or drop it off to the Parish Office.

The Centre for Life is committed to identifying the social issues that can negatively impact the vulnerable in our society and seeks to address these issues with a life affirming response. Your support will be greatly appreciated. Please visit us on line at [www.centreforlife.ca](http://www.centreforlife.ca).

### **Holy Hour**

There will be a **Holy Hour** at **St. Matthew's Chapel** in **Mary Queen of the World Church (Topsail Road)** on **October 4** from **3:30 to 4:30 pm** in observance of **Respect Life Sunday**. All are welcome.

### **THANK YOU ... FROM TEAM BROKEN EARTH**

A donation on behalf of a parishioner has recently been made to Team Broken Earth to support medical relief work in Haiti. The following note was sent to this Parish from Dr. Andrew Furey on behalf of TBE thanking the Parish for the donation.

*'Team Broken Earth (TBE) is a Canadian charity (founded in Newfoundland) that provides primary health care and health education to people in Haiti. TBE works in teams founded upon shared values of commitment, respect, trust, dignity and compassion. The donation will go to support upcoming trips, enabling the team's efforts to rebuild and reinforce the health care system for the people of Haiti.'*

## Calendar of Services, Mass Intentions and Activities

Sun.	Oct. 4	8:30 am 11:00 am <b>12:00 pm</b>  7:00 pm	Mass Mass <b>Liturgy of the Word and Sacramental Preparation Programs</b> <b>Registration - Parish Hall</b> <b>Youth Mass - Church</b>	27 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time 27 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time
Mon.	Oct. 5	9:30 am  <b>1:00 pm</b> 7:30 pm	Mass  <b>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - Chapel</b> Mass	George, Annie, Donald and Norma Smith; Bridget Griffin John, Alice, Austin and Christopher Dinn
Tues.	Oct. 6	9:30 am 7:30 pm	Mass Mass	Marie St. Croix Michael Fewer
Wed.	Oct. 7	9:30 am	Mass	Selwyn and Peter Manning
Thurs.	Oct. 8	9:30 am <b>7:30 pm</b>	Mass <b>Choir Practice - Church</b>	Special Intention
Fri.	Oct. 9	9:30 am	Mass	Helen Power
Sat.	Oct. 10	9:30 am 4:45 pm	Mass Mass	Greeley, Tilley and Pottle Families 28 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sun.	Oct. 11	8:30 am 11:00 am  <b>12:00 pm</b>  7:00 pm	Mass Mass  <b>Installation of Father Earl as Pastor,</b> <b>Blessings to Father Mroz and Father Browne</b> <b>Reception - Parish Hall</b> <b>Youth Mass - Church</b>	28 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time 28 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

**WEBSITES:** Three to recommend are:

[www.jesuits.ca](http://www.jesuits.ca) [www.ignatianspirituality.com](http://www.ignatianspirituality.com) [www.jesuitresources.org](http://www.jesuitresources.org)

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:** Saturday: 3:30 - 4:20 pm  
Tuesday: 6:40 - 7:20 pm

**TIMES OF MASSES:** Monday and Tuesday: 9:30 am and 7:30 pm  
Wednesday, Thursday and Friday: 9:30 am  
Saturday: 9:30 am and 4:45 pm; Sunday: 8:30 and 11 am

**BAPTISMS:** *Second Sunday* of the month. **Time:** 1 pm in the Church.  
Please call the Parish Office (754-0170) **ONE MONTH** in advance  
**PRE-BAPTISMAL COURSE:** *Call the Parish Office for more details.*

**MARRIAGES:** By appointment **SIX MONTHS** in advance  
*Marriage Preparation Course required*

**OFFICE HOURS:** Monday - Friday, 9 am - 12 noon and 12:30 - 4:30 pm;  
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**CHAIRPERSON OF PARISH COUNCIL:** 726-7236  
**DIRECTOR OF MUSIC:** 747-5874 or 753-6997

