

Masses and Intentions—

Masses celebrated privately
by Fr. Christopher



Tuesday, May 12th

† Vivian Tellier	Family
† Paul Tremblay	E. Trepanier
† Souls in Purgatory	Parishioner

Wednesday, May 13th

† Gerald Murchland 36th Anniv.	Mary Murchland
† Paul Trepanier	E. Trepanier
† Yolande Boutette	E. Trepanier

Thursday, May 14th

Int. of Rebecca McCarrell	CWL Diocesan Exe.
† Joe and Kate	Ken & Shirley Mailloux
† Alex & Lina St.	Ken & Shirley Mailloux

Friday, May 15th†

† Frank & Emma Duplesses	Ken & Shirley Mailloux
† Paul Tremblay	Family
† Gary Oliver	E. Trepanier

Sunday, May 17th— 6th Sunday of Easter

10am webcast tilburycatholic.ca



Please pray for the sick in our faith community

Katherine Moon, Oliver Reed, William Reaume, Rose Duquette, Christopher Powers, Pauline Quenneville, Irene Vella-Zarb, Shirley Houle, Lawrence Salive, Megan Patrick, Earla Zemmicky, Bernice Labonte, Sue Cabral, Shirley Mailloux, Jim Brosseau, David bellemore, Evelyn Gore, Ernestine Demers, Eileen Sylvestre, Laurence Marchand, Cheryl Renaud, Fr. Jack Hurley

Act of Spiritual Communion—My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you have already come and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. St. Alphonsus

The Bishop publically announced today via the Parish Briefings email that Deacon Raymond Girard is stepping back from ministry for a year for personal reasons. I want to publically support Deacon Raymond who has been an invaluable member of our pastoral team and just a good friend. You will continue to see him as a parishioner so please express your love and support for him.
Father Christopher

St. Francis Xavier—April 26th, 2020

Regular	\$2955.00
T.A.	\$225.00
Easter	\$60.00
Capital Loan	\$1060.00
Candles and Masses	\$224.00

Total \$4524.00

St. Peter's

Regular	\$1150.00
Total	\$1150.00

What is the Liturgy of the Hours?

"Seven times a day I praise you." – Psalm 118(119):164

The Lord has commanded us to *pray without ceasing*, and this is what the Hours help us do. [Morning Prayer](#) – at the start of the day's work and the coming of the light. Daytime Prayer – at [mid-morning](#), [noon](#) and in the [afternoon](#), to unite us with the one for whom and through whom we are working. [Evening Prayer](#) – at the end of the day's work, to offer up what we have done. [Night Prayer](#) – last thing at night, to commend our souls to God.

And finally, there is the magnificent [Office of Readings](#), at whatever time of day is best for us to reflect on the mystery of salvation, with the help of Scripture and the writings of the Fathers of the Church.

"The purpose of the Divine Office is to sanctify the day and all human activity." – Apostolic Constitution, Canticum Laudis.

The Liturgy of the Hours is the richest single prayer resource of the Christian Church, with prayers, psalms and readings for each of the Hours, changing each day and through the seasons.

But such riches come at a price. With more than a thousand different Hours every year, the books are thick and using them is complex. So complex that it is rare to find anyone reciting the Hours apart from the clergy and religious. Which is not as it should be. This treasure is too marvellous to be the exclusive possession of our servants: *"The Office is... the prayer not only of the clergy but of the whole People of God."* – *Apostolic Constitution, Canticum Laudis.* Go here and pray!
<https://universalis.com>

From the Vatican -The link below will take you to a free eBook that the Vatican has published online "

***Strong in the face of Tribulation"** A collection of homilies and prayers. Additions will be made to the free online book so don't print it off. You can also find it on our webpage as well. <https://www.vaticannews.va/content/dam/lev/forti-nella-tribolazione/pdf/eng/strong-in-tribulation.-20042020.pdf>*

Saint Patrick's Breastplate

"I arise today through God's strength to pilot me, God's might to uphold me, God's wisdom to guide me, God's eye to see before me, God's ear to hear me, God's word to speak for me, God's hand to guard me, God's way to lie before me, God's shield to protect me, God's host to secure me – against snares of devils, against temptations and vices, against inclinations of nature, against everyone who shall wish me ill, afar and anear, alone and in a crowd... Christ, be with me, Christ before me, Christ behind me, Christ in me, Christ beneath me, Christ above me, Christ on my right, Christ on my left, Christ where I lie, Christ where I sit, Christ where I arise, Christ in the heart of every man who thinks of me, Christ in the mouth of every man who speaks of me, Christ in every eye that sees me, Christ in every ear that hears me. May your salvation, O Lord, be ever with us."



Remember to pray the Rosary during the Month of May!



Ascension Press is offering free online programs, videos and prayers most useful during this time of pandemic. Why not check it out? <https://ascensionpress.com/pages/parish-resources>

Saint of the Week: May 14-St. Matthias (first century) was chosen after the resurrection of Jesus and before the descent of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost to replace Judas Iscariot. He was selected as a candidate by the Apostles because he met the following two qualifications: (1) a disciple of Jesus from Jesus' baptism to his Ascension and (2) a witness to Jesus' Resurrection.

Fifth Sunday of Easter Homily
Year A—Troubled Hearts



"The whole journey of life is a journey of preparation" for heaven, Pope Francis said during his homily.

The Pope reflected on the Gospel passage from St. John for today in which Jesus tells the disciples not to be afraid or troubled because he goes to prepare a place in the Father's house for them.

"Prepare a place means preparing our ability to enjoy the chance, our chance, to see, to feel, to understand the beauty of what lies ahead, of that homeland towards which we walk," he remarked.

The Pope noted that Jesus talks "like a friend, even with the attitude of a pastor."

"Let not your hearts be troubled, believe in God, believe also in me," says Jesus, according to today's Gospel.

"In my Father's house there are many rooms, if it were not so would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you?" Christ asked the disciples.

The Pope called these "really beautiful words" and asked the congregation what they thought that "place" was like.

"What does prepare a place mean, does it mean renting a room up there?" he asked.

He explained that life is a journey of preparation that involves expanding our eyes, minds and hearts.

It means "beginning to greet him from afar. This is not alienation: this is the truth, this is allowing Jesus to prepare our hearts, our eyes for the beauty that is so great. It is the path of beauty and 'the path to the homeland,'" he preached.

But sometimes "the Lord has to do it quickly as he did with the good thief."

"He only had a few minutes to prepare him and he did it," he affirmed.

"But Father," the Pope said recounting a common objection, "I went to a philosopher and he told me that all these thoughts are an alienation, that we are alienated, that life is this, the concrete, and no-one knows what is beyond."

"Some think this is so but Jesus tells us that it is not so and says 'have faith in me,'" the Pope stated.

He compared Jesus to an engineer and an architect when he recalled Jesus saying he would prepare a place in his Father's house.

"And Jesus goes to prepare a place for us," he concluded.

Inspiring words! Have a great week!

Fr. Christopher