



**MIDDLESEX CATHOLIC
FAMILY OF PARISHES**

"A mission-oriented church that forms disciples of Jesus"

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Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time June 20, 2021

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time June 20, 2021

I can recall my grade 10 English teacher, Mr. Murray, reading out loud to the class "The Sinking of the Mariposa Belle" a selection from Stephen Leacock's "Sunshine Sketches of a Little Town." Mr. Murray struggled to get the words out as he quite literally, laughed himself silly! The class had no idea what was so funny. It all made sense when Mr. Murray reached the ending and we found out the steamship in the story sunk in shallow water. All the antics and the emergency the sinking created were laughable when the story revealed the boat sank in two feet of water! No wonder Mr. Murray laughed so much. He knew what was coming next!

Today's Gospel reading is very familiar to me. I have heard it read many times in my life. I know that no one drowns in the storm and the boat does not capsize. It comes as no surprise when Jesus says to them, "Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?" Knowing that Jesus says this to me time and time again is also no surprise. Why then do I predictably act like I am afraid? Do I not really possess faith? Or do I have trouble accepting God's will instead of my own? Hmm. It is a big difference, isn't it?

There is a world of difference in praying for something you want personally and praying to accept what God has planned for you. Prayer is not so much about changing the world as it is about changing one self. When faced with a crisis, do I remain calm and say, "I know God's got this." Or do I panic and try to fix things myself.

I have imagined myself in that boat with Jesus many times. Do I dare wake him and let him know we are in a storm and I fear for my life? I know he is tired and needs some alone time to gather his thoughts and refresh himself. But then again I'm really worried we will not make it to the other side of the lake and we will all perish. Should I wake him before it is too late? In my mind I am already drowning in the water, predicting what the outcome will be. To my credit, I do wake Jesus as I know he will make things right. Jesus calms the wind and the water but he is annoyed I interrupted his badly needed nap. Jesus is disappointed at my lack of trust in him. What I failed to realize is that Jesus knows all things all the time and I don't. Jesus has complete control of the boat and the weather.

The words Jesus uses to stop the wind and calm the sea, "Peace! Be still!" are words that I should take to heart also. Peace. Be still. When you feel like the boat you are in is being rocked out of control remember, Peace. Be still. This is not an easy thing to learn. "Come on Jesus, keep up with me please! I have all these plans and things I want to do!" Jesus says "Peace. Be still. I know what comes next for you. Why are you afraid? Have faith."

Reflection by Julie de Gouw, Pastoral Minister

News for all parishioners

Mass Intentions for the Week of June 22-25

All Saints, Strathroy

Tuesday, June 22 @ 6:30pm

Gord Tadjell - Ria Tadjell

Phyllis Henery - Yvonne Triesman

Barb Frawley - Mike Frawley

Toni Berendsen - Wiendels family &

Nelda Dwyer



Wednesday, June 23 @ 9:00am

Deceased Family of Liliana & Angelo Brum

Lily Bini - Stanley Lunan

Marion Cochrane - Bobbie & Jerry Vens

Thursday, June 24 @ 6:30pm

Manuel Paiva - Ofelia Paiva

Serafim Salgado - Teresa & Family

Luis Couto (7th day Mass) - Eduarda & Family

Friday, June 25 @ 9:00am

Joshua & Amber Pereira - Adelaide & Duarte Almeida

Frank & Mary Vegso - Baltazar Family

Sacred Heart, Parkhill

Tuesday, June 22 @ 6:30pm

Jeannie Vermunt - Chris & Barb VanderVloet,

Thursday, June 24 @ 9:00am

Special Intention – Julie & Pete de Gouw

St. Charles Garnier, Glencoe

Wed Jun 23 @ 6:30pm

John McFeggan - Rich & M.L. DePelsmaeker

Jesuvina Antunes - Maria Martins

Albert Matthys - Loretta & Family

ALL PERSONS ENTERING OR REMAINING IN ENCLOSED PUBLIC SPACES SHALL WEAR A MASK OR FACE-COVERING WHICH COVERS THE NOSE, MOUTH AND CHIN, AT ALL TIMES.



The West Middlesex Catholic Family of Parishes are open for all Masses !

As our capacity allowed is set for 15%, pre-registration is required.

Masses can be booked by calling



Anna on Tuesdays and Wednesdays only. Anna's direct line is 519-245-0644 and then hit "0". No need to listen to the recorded message. If you leave Anna a message, she will return your call.

If you do not get a reservation for the current week, Anna can will give you priority for the following week.

Capacity and Schedule for each church site is as follows:

All Saints

Saturday 5pm, Sunday 8 & 10 am, capacity 67

St .Charles Garnier

Sunday 9 & 10:30 am, Capacity 45

Sacred Heart Parkhill

Saturday 5pm, Sunday 9 am , Capacity 37

Please be mindful of the protocols in place to keep us all safe! Thank you for your patience and understanding in these constantly changing times, as we return to our weekend worship spaces.



Preparation Retreat for Confirmation

Saturday, July 24, 2021

from 9:00am - 1:00pm

at All Saints Church Site



We hope to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation throughout the month of August. More details to follow.

If there is a conflict for you regarding the above preparation date, please contact Fr. Thom Blondin ASAP via email at tblondin@dol.ca.



Pastoral Team/ Staff

Fr. Thom Blondin, Pastor ex. 22
Fr. David Johnston, Associate Pastor ex. 23
Fr. Steve Eckert, Associate Pastor ex. 25
Deacon Henry Tomaszewski
Julie de Gouw, Pastoral Minister ex. 26
Olga Ferreira, Office Administrator ex. 21
Anna Garcia, Secretary ex. 0
Marg VanderBurgt, Secretary ex. 24
**personal emails can be found on the website*

Festa do Divino Espirito Santo

Domingo 27 de Junho

Portuguese Canadian Club
375 York St., Strathroy

Para reservar sopas, facem o telefone para 519-245-4361. Podem ir buscar entre 12 – 3 horas da tarde no Domingo dia 27 de Junho Doações aceites Pensões disponiveis apenas por encomenda - Ligar ao Joao 519-245-5033 Custo: \$60 - por favor chamam antes para encomendar.



Feast of the Divine Holy Spirit

Sunday, June 27

Portuguese Canadian Club
375 York St., Strathroy

To order soup, call 519-245-4361 You can pick up your soup at the club between 12 – 3pm on Sunday, June 27th. Donations accepted. If you would like to receive “Pensões” which is translated into “Alms” call John at 519-245-5033 Cost: \$60 - please call ahead to pre-order. Includes a roast, loaf of bread, loaf of sweet bread and a bottle of wine which will be blessed. You can pick this up at the club on Friday, June 25th (John will give you a time for pick up).

If you wish to receive the weekly bulletin sent directly to your inbox, or to get any last minute updates or changes happening across our parishes, please email the office at allsaints@dol.ca and ask to be put on our list for Flocknotes. Let us know your name, email and which parish you belong to. It's that easy! Never miss another bulletin or update again.

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Office Hours

Office remains closed.

Messages are picked up regularly.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: (Confession)

By appointment. Please call the office.

Sacrament of Baptism:

Congratulations! Please call Julie to make arrangements at 519-245-0644 ext 26.

Sacrament of Marriage: *Congratulations! Please call the office to make an appointment.*

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

WEST MIDDLESEX CATHOLIC FAMILY OF PARISHES

All Saints, Strathroy	Saturday 5:00 pm
	Sunday 8:00 am/10:00 am
Sacred Heart, Delaware	
(At All Saints church site— June 20 at 11:30am)	
Sacred Heart, Parkhill	Saturday 5:00 pm
	Sunday 9:00 am
St. Charles Garnier, Glencoe	Sunday 9:00 am
June 13, 20, 27	Sunday 10:30am

