Corpus Christi

Fr. John MacPherson, Pastor Fr. Keith Billard, Associate Pastor Fr. Raymond Odumuko, Associate Pastor

14 th Sunday in Ordinary Time		July 3, 2022	
		Mass Tim	es
Windsor	Kentville	Middleton	Digby
Sunday 8:30 am	Saturday 4:00 pm	Sunday 11:00 am	Saturday 6 :00 pm
Wolfville	Sunday 10:15 am	Bridgetown	Weymouth
Sunday 11:45 am		Saturday 4:00 pm	Sunday 11:30 am
	Berwick	Annapolis Royal	
	Sunday 9:00 am	Sunday 9 :00 a	am



This Week's Readings

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	1 st Reading	Gospel
Sun, July 3	Isaiah 66.10-14	Luke 10.1-12,17-20
Mon, July 4	Hosea 2.14, 15b-16, 19-20	Matthew 9.18-26
Tues, July 5	Hosea 8.4-7, 11-13	Matthew 9.32-38
Wed, July 6	Hosea 10.1-3, 7-8, 12	Matthew 10.1-7
Thurs, July 7	Hosea 11.1, 3-5b, 8c-9	Matthew 10.7-15
Fri, July 8	Hosea 14.1-9	Matthew 10.16-23
Sat, July 9	Isaiah 6.1-8	Matthew 10.24-33

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Giving to Corpus Christi Parish

Corpus Christi is blessed to have so many gifted volunteers, but there are still many areas of your Parish that require financial support, services that are unable to be completed by volunteers. Your Parish Finance & Administrative Council strives to control and minimize expenses without compromising services, but without your donations this task is futile. There have been many challenges over the last few years and expenses have been kept to a minimum, but if we are to be able to offer expanded programs, to reach those requiring our help, we need your financial support. Considering giving? There are many ways to donate to Corpus Christi Parish:

- 1- Weekly Offertory Envelopes (envelopes are available at your church communities)
- 2- Cash donations (deposited in collection baskets at Mass)
- 3- E-Transfers (to include your name and church) directed to Corpus Christi (email: finance@corpuschristins.ca)
- PAR (pre-authorized remittances) from your bank account to Corpus Christi's (application forms available upon request)
- 5- Through the mail (directed to Corpus Christi Parish – Kentville Parish Office)

Corpus Christi Parish thanks you for your financial support – How else could we fulfill our mission?

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Vísíon Prayer Heavenly Father, by the power of Your Holy Spirit, we the faithful of Corpus Christi Parish, ask that You bless and sanctify us as we work together to implement our Vision. We ask that You guide us as we strive to love bravely, to serve radically and to meet all whom we encounter with humility and compassion. Help us to unite joyfully and lovingly as followers of your Son, Jesus, to take His message with us wherever we go. We know that by Your grace, we can make this Vision a reality. We ask this in the name of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Chríst. Amen

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Contact the Parish

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Please forward all notices for bulletin to bulletin@corpuschristins.ca before 5:00 pm on Tuesday's



Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, JULY 2

Bridgetown	4:00 PM	Dean Sabean by the Family
Kentville	4:00 PM	Cornelius Van Schie by Peter & Agnes Nan
Digby	6:00 PM	Lorna Burnham by Carolyn McClafferty & Family
SUNDAY, JULY 3		
Windsor	8:30 AM	Paul & Celeste McGrath by Jennifer Moore
Annapolis Royal	9:00 AM	Russell Mackintosh by Ardath Emin
Berwick	9:00 AM	Brian Oliver by Rita & Tony Roefs
Kentville/Online	10:15 AM	Brad Potts by Wayne Barry
Middleton	11:00 AM	Intentions of Fr Keith by St Monica's CWL
Weymouth	11:30 AM	Daniel, Louise, Jacky Comeau by Joanne & Jerry Belliveau
Wolfville	11:45 AM	Souls in Purgatory
MONDAY, JULY 4		
Kentville/Online	8:30 AM	Souls in Purgatory
Kentville	7:00 PM	Confirmation
TUESDAY, JULY 5		
Annapolis Royal	10:00 AM	Karen Thibeau by Betty & Lawrence Ritcey
Kentville/Online	8:30 AM	For Thanksgiving by Joan Young
Weymouth	6:30 PM	Confirmation
WEDNESDAY, JULY 6		
Kentville/Online	8:30 AM	Armeline Guay by Selba Perkins
Tideview Terrace	10:30 AM	Mass of Thanksgiving by Pamela
Middleton	3:15 PM	Intentions of Susan Dill by St Monica's CWL
Weymouth	6:30 PM	William Tanner by Betty Rice
THURSDAY, JULY 7		
Kentville/Online	8:30 AM	Intentions of Gene & Shirley by Shirley
Weymouth	6:30 PM	Susan Noel by Valerie & Deanna
FRIDAY, JULY 8		
Kentville/Online	8:30 AM	Intentions of Ron Acker by Angus & Betty Corcoran
Digby	9:00 AM	Lorna Burnham by Carol Theriault
SATURDAY, JULY 9		
Bridgetown	4:00 PM	Mona Bateman by Dorothy McIntosh
Kentville	4:00 PM	Glinda Long by Gerald & Sharon Long
Digby	6:00 PM	Dora Gaudet by Edna & Blair Saulnier
SUNDAY, JULY 10		
Windsor	8:30 AM	Liz Pereira by Alice Pereira
Annapolis Royal	9:00 AM	Russell Mackintosh by Adrian & Margaret Vandenberg
Berwick	9:00 AM	Leona Schaeffer by Rye Stoetting
Kentville/Online	10:15 AM	Helen MacDonald by Pat Crossman
Middleton	11:00 AM	Intentions of Nan Ferguson-Loiser (66th B-day) by Carolyn Gilbert & Marilyn Harry
Weymouth	11:30 AM	Lizzie & Felix LeBlanc by Amselm LeBlanc
Wolfville	11:45 AM	Souls in Purgatory



Children and Youth

Little Church will be offered twice monthly at Saint John's (Windsor) and Saint Joseph's (Kentville) throughout the summer. Boys and girls are invited to celebrate God's Word as we explore Jesus' messages of love, peace and friendship. Parents are welcome to join us or send little ones along with leaders. Kentville dates: July 26, July 10 and 24, Aug 7 and 21, Sept. 4 Windsor dates: July 3, 17 and 31, Aug 14 and 28 (More dates may be available).

Vacation Bible School: God's Love is so Big! - Digging Deep with Dinosaurs!

Are you available to assist with greeting children as they arrive, making special snacks or leading activities. We are in need of a few more volunteers to support campers at our Kentville camp, July 18 - 21. If you have an hour or two and would like to join us, please let us know. **Registration for camp in Windsor is open until July 10th. Camp in Kentville is now full and we have a waitlist.** Call or text: Jennifer at 902-799-1250.

Rosary Bracelets: Thank you to everyone that supported our Steubenville crew! Thirty rosary bracelets have been sold and we still have some left. Please call: Jennifer to order yours! 902-799-1250.1 for \$20 or 2 for \$35!

YOU'RE INVITED TO CELEBRATE THE RITE OF CONFIRMATION

WITH TWENTY-FOUR CORPUS CHRISTI TEENS AND THEIR FAMILIES JULY 4TH, 7 PM AT ST. JOSEPH'S, KENTVILLE AND JULY 5TH 6:30 PM AT ST. JOSEPH'S, WEYMOUTH WITH ARCHBISHOP DUNN

Lily Meyers Will Isenor Dylan Newcomb Rosemary McNeil Oliver Benzanson Chloe Palmer Lucy Harland Will Hanna Antoni Klippenstine Aviendha Squires Jada Cromwell. Michael Millar. Claire Harvey Nate Greener Nathan Derrick Jenna Cross Tanner Wood Jack Flecknell Casey Jesso Sarah Saffron John Moore Genevieve Squires Shayla Cromwell Victoria Millar



Please pray for our candidates as they prepare for their Confirmation



Tomato Garden Project: Youth planted a tomato garden in the Saint Joseph's (Kentville) prayer garden last Sunday. If you are looking for fresh tomatoes - you'll know where to come!

Corpus Christi Catholic Books & Gifts: Through the Sacrament of Confirmation, we grow as courageous witnesses and compassionate disciples of Christ through the grace of the Holy Spirit. We have gifts to mark this turning point in the faith journey of our youth, such as Confirmation Prayer Book (\$6.95), Confirmation pewter cross (\$10.25), Confirmation holy cards (\$1.50), Holy Spirit sterling silver pendant on chain; wood crosses on cord (\$2.95); rosaries, crucifixes, Bibles, and greeting cards. Available at St. Monica's Church after Sunday Mass or contact Mary Crooks 902-825-6495 for special requests or to arrange another time.

"A fundraising event is planned for Sunday, July 17 at St. Monica's Church starting at 3:00 p.m. followed by a barbeque. There will be a concert performed by Men of St. Anthony's and Friends. Come and enjoy fellowship and beautiful music!"



Interested In Helping Ukrainians?

Ukrainian families are arriving in the Annapolis Valley, and currently there are 5 families being hosted in private homes in the Berwick area. These refugees range in age from infancy to seniors, and have come to Canada with work VISAs and hope for the future - that's about it. While their host families have helped them to get safely to Canada, these new arrivals will be needing more permanent homes in the area to rent and settle into. At such time, these families will also be needing household items and supplies to get started. The YMCA through ISANS in Halifax has a portal for Nova Scotians to assist with housing, jobs, and financial support: https://ymcahfx.ca/ns-supports-ukraine/wanting-to-help/ and is creating lists of items that will be needed for settlement. Perhaps there may be a way to support locally too through congregational efforts over the coming months. This could be done through communicating with the YMCA or ISANS https://isans.ca/ukraine-resettlement-response/ to identify needs for Ukrainians in the Annapolis Valley and what donations will be needed to help.

The Knights of Columbus council 5030 are pleased to announce the winning candidate for our local scholarship. Congratulations Ethan Wood.



At the St. Louis CWL, Yard Sale on June 24 & 25 over \$1,000.00 was raised. The items remaining can be viewed after Mass on July 3rd & 10th. We would like to thank everyone who helped organize the sale and those who contributed items. Some of the ladies from St. Louis CWL are sporting hats donated by a Parishioner from his late wife's hat collection.

Carrying Tension

by Fr. Ron Rolheiser o.m.i.

One of the things we're asked to do as Christians is to help "take away the sins of the world" as Jesus did. How?

Jesus "took away the sins of the world" by holding, carrying, purifying, and transforming tension, that is, by taking in the bitterness, anger, jealousy, hatred, slander, and every other kind of thing that's cancerous within human community, and not giving it back in kind.

In essence, Jesus did this by acting like a purifier, a water filter of sorts: He took in hatred, held it, transformed it, and gave back love; he took in bitterness, held it, transformed it, and gave back graciousness; he took in curses, held them transformed them, and gave back blessing; and he took in murder, held it, transformed it, and gave back forgiveness. Jesus resisted the instinct to give back in kind, hatred for hatred, curses for curses, jealousy for jealousy, murder for murder. He held and transformed these things rather than simply re-transmit them.

And, in this, he wants imitation, not admiration. Christian discipleship invites us, like Jesus, to become a "lamb of God", a purifier, that helps take tension out of our families, communities, friendship circles, churches, and work-places by holding and transforming it rather than simply give it back in kind.

But that's not easy. Jesus did this, but the gospels say that he had to "sweat blood" to achieve it. To carry tension is to fill with tension ourselves and, as we know, this can be unbearable. We don't have God's strength and we aren't made of steel. As we try to carry tension for others, what do we do with our own tensions? How do we carry tension without becoming resentful and bitter? How do we carry another's cross without, however subtly, sending him or her the bill?

This isn't easy, as every health professional can tell you. Tension wreaks havoc inside us, physically and emotionally. You can die of high blood pressure or of disappointment. But there are some rules that can help.

First, carrying tension for others does not mean putting up with abuse or not confronting pathologically or clinical dysfunction. To love someone, as we now know, does not mean accepting abuse in the name of love.

Second, we need to find healthy outlets to release our own tensions. However we should never download them on the same people for whom we are trying to carry them. For example, parents carry tension for their children, but, when frustrations build up, they should not angrily vent those frustrations back on the kids themselves. Rather they should deal with their own tensions away from the children, with each other and with friends, when the kids are in bed, over a bottle of wine. The same holds true for everyone: We should never vent our frustrations on the very person or persons for whom we are trying to carry tension.

Finally, in order to deal with the frustrations that build up in us, we need, in the midst of the tensions, to be connected to something (a person, a friendship, a hand, a God, a creed, a perspective) beyond ourselves and the situation we're in.

Scripture offers some wonderful images for this. It tells us, for example, that as Steven was being stoned to death out of hatred and jealousy, he kept his "eyes raised to heaven". That's not so much a physical description of things, as every artist knows, but a commentary on how Steven kept himself from drowning in the spinning chaos that was assaulting him. He stayed connected to a person, a hand, a friendship, an affirmation, a perspective, and a divine power outside of the madness.

We see the same thing, just a different metaphor, in the story of the three young men who are thrown into the blazing furnace in the Book of Daniel. We're told that they walked around, right in the midst of the flames, untouched by the fire because they were singing sacred songs. Like Steven, they sustained their love and faith amidst bitter jealousy and hatred by staying connected to something outside of the fiery forces that were consuming everyone else.

We need to contemplate that lesson. Like Jesus, and like everyone else who's ever walked this planet, we all find ourselves forever inside families, communities, churches, friendships, and work-circles that are filled with tension of every kind. Our natural temptation, always, is to simply give back in kind, jealousy for jealousy, gossip for gossip, anger for anger. But what our world really needs is for some women and men, adults, to step forward and help carry and purify this tension, to help take it away by transforming it inside themselves.

But that's not easy. Like Jesus, it will involve "sweating blood". So, as we volunteer to step into the fire, it's wise not to go in alone, but to stay connected to some hand, some friend, some creed, and some God who will help sustain us in love and faith, right inside the madness and fire.





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