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18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 31, 2022



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This Week's Readings

	1st Reading	Gospel
Sun, July 31	Ecclesiastes 1.2; 2.21-23	Luke 12.13-21
Mon, Aug 1	Jeremiah 28.1-17	Matthew 14.13-21
Tues, Aug 2	Jeremiah 30.1-2,12-15,18-22	Matthew 14.22-36
Wed, Aug 3	Jeremiah 31.1-7	Matthew 15.21-28
Thurs, Aug 4	Jeremiah 31.31-34	Matthew 16.13-23
Fri, Aug 5	Nahum 1.15c;2.2;3.1-3, 6-7	Matthew 16-24-28
Sat, Aug 6	Daniel 7.9-10, 13-14	Luke 9.28b-36

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*By appointment
at any time.
Call your nearest
Parish Office.*

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)
- 4- 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?



Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, JULY 30

Bridgetown	4:00 PM	Frank Pugh by St Alphonsus Ladies Aux.
Kentville	4:00 PM	Tyler Harvie by brother, Jordan
Digby	6:00 PM	Don Ward by Mike & Blanche Gilhen

SUNDAY, JULY 31

Windsor	8:30 AM	George Robert Carson by Alice Kimball
Annapolis Royal	9:00 AM	For the well being of Marsha Thibideau by Marilyn Harry
Berwick	9:00 AM	Brian Oliver by Helen & Family
Kentville/Online	10:15 AM	Maynard Barry by Wayne Barry
Middleton	11:00 AM	William Gerrior by Bill & Donna Underwood
Weymouth	11:30 AM	Theresa Elaine Thibault by Cathy LeBlanc
Wolfville	11:45 AM	Souls in Purgatory

MONDAY, AUG 1

Kentville/Online	8:30 AM	Souls in Purgatory
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TUESDAY, AUG 2

Kentville/Online	8:30 AM	No Mass
Digby	6:30 PM	For a special intention by Pamela

WEDNESDAY, AUG 3

Kentville/Online	8:30 AM	No Mass
Tideview Terrace	10:30 AM	Mass of Thanksgiving by Pamela
Middleton	3:15 PM	No Mass
Weymouth	6:30 PM	No Mass

THURSDAY, AUG 4

Kentville/Online	8:30 AM	Intentions of Dorothy LeBlanc by Carolyn Gilbert
Weymouth	10:30 AM	William Tanner by Betty Rice

FRIDAY, AUG 5

Kentville/Online	8:30 AM	Souls in Purgatory by Helen Walsh
Digby	9:00 AM	Lorna Burnham by the Claproods

SATURDAY, Aug 6

Bridgetown	4:00 PM	Intentions of Jenny Slauenwhite & Gareth Rafuse on their upcoming wedding
Kentville	4:00 PM	Intentions of Rod & Mary MacInnis
Digby	6:00 PM	Richard Treleaven by Monika & Family

SUNDAY, AUG 7

Windsor	8:30 AM	Liz Pereira by Alice Pereira
Annapolis Royal	9:00 AM	For the intentions of Barb & Donald Theriault (65th Anniv) by Marilyn Harry & Family
Berwick	9:00 AM	Intentions of Adora & Herb Parsons (65th Wedding Anniv)
Kentville/Online	10:15 AM	Rose Storms by Irene Hattie
Middleton	11:00 AM	Intentions of Dan & Darlene Thibodeau (56th Wedding Anniv)
Weymouth	11:30 AM	Edward Rice by his grandchildren
Wolfville	11:45 AM	Agnieszka & Mieczyslaw Hadlaw by Bogan Hadlaw

Funeral Mass for Graeme King, Saturday, August 13th at 1:00 pm at St. Anthony's Church, Berwick.

Corpus Christi Parish Financial Update:

For the last few weeks, we've presented one of the challenging issues your Parish administration and leaders face for the upcoming winter season – a potentially dramatic rise in utility costs and their materially negative effect on our financial position. We encouraged your feedback.

What should/could we do to reduce heating costs (costs in general) for the 2022/2023 heating season and beyond?

For those who responded, we are grateful for your contributions. Here are some of the suggestions received to date: change heating sources (i.e. installation of solar/heat pumps), emphasize the use of alternative established sources (i.e. heat pumps), relocate Mass to other areas in the community (i.e. church hall/basement), temporarily close some of our churches (for the winter season), and better manage/monitor temperature controls. We continue to encourage others to provide potential solutions to our dilemma. The time to make decisions will soon be upon us!

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For your review and understanding, we have revised the condensed version of our Parish finances – see below:

	Jan - Jun 2022	Jan - Jun 2021
Income		
Ordinary Revenue	\$288,624.23	\$243,473.19
Extraordinary Revenue (Includes: Cemetery & Capital Projects)	\$91,861.34	\$78,820.35
Parish Activity-Hospitality	\$3,907.80	\$0.16
Outreach	\$4,978.77	\$0.00
Canada Helps- donations	\$1,610.00	\$1,610.00
Total Income :	\$390,982.14	\$323,903.70
Expense		
Church Expenses	\$161,642.17	\$125,097.40
Hall Expenses	\$10,299.27	\$7,612.83
Residence Expenses	\$19,836.66	\$18,655.07
Shared Expenses - Community (Includes: Admin, Worship Needs, Priests, Travel)	\$142,937.60	\$150,358.12
Shared Expenses - Formation (Includes: Admin, Bible Studies, Family Life & Youth Ministry)	\$25,063.86	\$19,345.50
Shared Expenses - Mission/Outreach	\$12,751.97	\$0.00
Diocesan Assessment	\$46,805.00	\$49,774.00
Cemetery Expenses	\$8,192.73	\$7,697.12
Total Expense :	\$427,529.26	\$378,540.04
Net Ordinary Income (Loss) :	(\$36,547.12)	(\$54,636.34)
Capital Expenditures	\$0.00	\$7,023.91
Net Income (Loss) :	(\$36,547.12)	(\$61,660.25)

Notes: For 2022, there is no longer a COVID subsidy available. Extraordinary Revenue includes Cemetery and Capital Projects Revenue that have designated purposes (i.e. not for General Purposes)

Obstacles to Prayer

by Fr. Ron Rolheiser o.m.i.

Thomas Merton was once asked what he considered to be the major spiritual disease in the Western world. His answer: "Efficiency"

The major spiritual disease in the Western world is efficiency because from the government offices down to the nursery we have to keep the plant running and, afterwards, we've no energy left for anything else." He's right.

The first problem we have with prayer is that we're too busy, too stressed, too tired, or too preoccupied to sit or kneel down to pray. We rise early, rush through breakfast, ready things for the day, settle into tasks that are demanding and draining, gulp down a quick lunch, end the work day tired. It's hard to pray in our over busy lives.

But we're not just too busy to pray, we're also too restless. There's a congenital disquiet inside us. Moreover, this natural restlessness is fanned to a high flame by the culture: five hundred TV channels are within our reach, the internet brings the whole world into our private rooms, there are new movies that we haven't seen, new songs we haven't heard, colourful magazines whose covers beckon, sporting events that seem to be on everyone's mind, and every kind of special event to distract us.

It's hard to pray when we are restless and, mostly, we are. Henri Nouwen puts this well: "I want to pray," he says, "but I also don't want to miss out on anything - television, movies, socializing with friends, drinking in the world."

Talking to God, hearing God's voice, and centring ourselves in God is not as easy as we sometimes make it out to be. God's reality, while massively real and the ground of the whole universe, is not physical and tangible like the things of this world. The world seems more real; family and friends can be hugged, touched, and talked to, and physical sensation of all kinds doesn't leave us doubting its reality. But relating to God demands something else and it's easy to find ourselves bored, doubting, distracted, and anxious to get on to something else when we try to pray.

It's hard to sit still and (seemingly) do nothing when so many necessary tasks demand our attention and when so much inside us aches for activity and involvement.

But prayer beckons us beyond, asking us to lift everything up to God.

Being Alive

by Fr. Richard Rohr o.f.m.

What we lack in an addictive society and an addictive family is a sense of being truly alive. So we look for pseudo-ways to feel alive. They never work, as you know, but for some reason they seem better than doing nothing. We use nicotine, caffeine, or just stick food in our mouths to have some kind of sensation. Some of us pour liquor down our throats, or overstimulate ourselves through gambling or destructive sexual activity.

These behaviors are a testimony to a lack of spirituality. One who is spiritually alive has an excess of strength, an honest sense of interior creativity and interior imagination. They can say, "I have more than enough. There's enough of me that I can give some of it away."

When we find the spirit of Jesus inside of us, more than we asked for, or expected or earned, the we understand grace. And grace is the perennial threat to addiction.

from **Breathing Under Water: Spirituality and the 12 Steps**



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: Aug 7 and 21, Sept. 4

Windsor dates: July 31, Aug 14 and 28

(More dates may be available).

ST MONICA'S CHURCH: This summer, our Rosa Harvey Middleton Library is collecting school supplies for children at our elementary school. Donations can be dropped off at the Middleton Library until the end of August. The teachers will distribute them discreetly to children in need of supplies to help them learn and progress with greater confidence. Thank you!!

MS Multiple Sclerosis

After 2 years we are excited that we are back in the bike seat and on the road again! The Annapolis Valley MS Bike will see cyclists take to the road on Saturday August 6th and Sunday August 7th. Cyclists will start their day at Acadia University and enjoy a picturesque ride through the surrounding area before returning to Acadia for the night. They will then take to the roads again the next day before returning to Acadia for a celebratory BBQ. We have several event day volunteer opportunities - if you are able to join us please contact Stacy McLellan, Volunteer Coordinator - MS Society of Canada: stacy.mclellan@mssociety.ca



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