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26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 25, 2022



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before 5:00 pm on Tuesday**



This Week's Readings

| | 1st Reading | Gospel |
|---------------|-------------------------------|---------------|
| Sun, Sep 25 | Amos 6.1a,4-7 | Luke 16.19-31 |
| Mon, Sep 26 | Revelation 7.9-17 | Luke 9.23-26 |
| Tues, Sep 27 | Job 3.1-3,11-17,20-23 | Luke 9.51-56 |
| Wed, Sep 28 | Job 9.1-12, 14-16 | Luke 9.57-62 |
| Thurs, Sep 29 | Revelation 12.7-12a | John 1.47-51 |
| Fri, Sep 30 | Job 38.12-21;40.3-5 | Luke 10.13-16 |
| Sat, Oct 1 | Job 42.1-3,5-6,12-13,15-17++ | Luke 10.17-24 |

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Confession

*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, SEPT 24

| | | |
|------------|---------|---------------------------------------|
| Bridgetown | 4:00 PM | Donnie MacDonald by Tom & Lois Porter |
| Kentville | 4:00 PM | Jim Donnelly by John & Mary Boulter |
| Digby | 6:00 PM | Dave Gilhen by Sheila Donovaro |

SUNDAY, SEPT 25

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| Windsor | 8:30 AM | Guy Smith by Alan Grant |
| Annapolis Royal | 9:00 AM | Cora Thibeau by Betty & Lawrence Ritcey |
| Berwick | 9:00 AM | Wayne Lively by Rita & Tony Roefs |
| Kentville/Online | 10:15 AM | Jean Stevenson by Dennis & Barb Nash |
| Middleton | 11:00 AM | Intentions of Mary Crooks on her birthday by Carolyn Gilbert |
| Weymouth | 11:30 AM | Sister Irene Legere by past members of the CWL |
| Wolfville | 11:45 AM | Intentions of our twinned conference of St Vincent de Paul in the Dominican Republic by the St Francis of Assisi Conference, Wolfville |

MONDAY, SEPT 26

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| Kentville/Online | 8:30 AM | No Mass |
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TUESDAY, SEPT 27

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| Kentville/Online | 8:30 AM | Margaret Lalonde by Pat Fitzgerald |
| Digby | 6:30 PM | Ondiek Ng'inja by Marion & Peter Croft |

WEDNESDAY, SEPT 28

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| Kentville/Online | 8:30 AM | Special Intention for Gene Samson (L) by Shirley |
| Middleton | 3:15 PM | Intentions of Dan & Grace Bernard (L) by Mary Gillis |
| Weymouth | 6:30 PM | Paul Belliveau by Joanne & Jerry Belliveau |

THURSDAY, SEPT 29

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| Kentville | 8:30 AM | Souls in Purgatory |
| Middleton | 9:00 AM | Pro Populo |
| Weymouth | 6:30 AM | Chester & Rachel Amero by their daughter, Patricia Wagner |

FRIDAY, SEPT 30

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| Kentville/Online | 8:30 AM | Arthur McKenzie by Tom & Peggy Foley |
| Digby | 9:00 AM | Peter Loughran by the Janson's |

SATURDAY, OCT 1

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| Bridgetown | 4:00 PM | Marjorie Marshall by John & Linda MacDonald |
| Kentville | 4:00 PM | Moe Harquail by Dennis & Barb Nash |
| Digby | 6:00 PM | For the Intentions of Isabella Stiglmayr and Jonathan Hodges on their upcoming wedding |

SUNDAY, OCT 2

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| Windsor | 8:30 AM | Steve Gaudet by Laura Joyce |
| Annapolis Royal | 9:00 AM | Erwin Schnetzer by Maria Schnetzer |
| Berwick | 9:00 AM | Leonard Stephenson by Bette MacIsaac |
| Kentville/Online | 10:15 AM | Gerard Farrell & other deceased members of Catherine Farrell's family |
| Middleton | 11:00 AM | Colton Burke & Hanna Gillam on their upcoming wedding |
| Weymouth | 11:30 AM | John Drew by Theresa Bouchard |
| Wolfville | 11:45 AM | Deceased Members of the teBogt family by Joanne teBogt |

The Scent of Humility

by Fr. Ron Rolheiser o.m.i.

According to Isaac the Syrian, a famous 7th Century bishop and theologian, a person who's genuinely humble gives off a certain scent that other people will sense and that even animals will pick up, so that wild animals, including snakes, will fall under its spell and never harm that person.

Here's his logic: A humble person, he believes, has recovered the smell of paradise and in the presence of such a person one does not feel judged and has nothing to fear, and this holds true even for animals. They feel safe around a humble person and are drawn to him or her. No wonder people like Francis of Assisi could talk to birds and befriend wolves.

But, beautiful as this all sounds, is this a pious fairy tale or is it a rich, archetypal metaphor? I like to think it's the latter, this is a rich metaphor, and perhaps even something more. Humility, indeed, does have a smell, the smell of the earth, of the soil, and of paradise.

But how? How can a spiritual quality give off a physical scent?

Well, we're psychosomatic, creatures of both body and soul. Thus, in us, the physical and the spiritual are so much part of one and the same substance that it's impossible to separate them out from each other. To say that we're body and soul is like saying sugar is white and sweet and that whiteness and sweetness can never be put into separate piles. They're both inside the sugar. We're one substance, inseparable, body and soul, and so we're always both physical and spiritual. So, in fact, we do *feel* physical things spiritually, just as we *smell* spiritual things through our physical senses. If this is true, and it is, then, yes, humility does give off a scent that can be sensed physically and Isaac the Syrian's concept is more than just a metaphor.

But it's also a metaphor: The word *humility* takes its root in the Latin word, *humus*, meaning soil, ground, and earth. If one goes with this definition then the most humble person you know is the most-earthly and most-grounded person you know. To be humble is to have one's feet firmly planted on the ground, to be in touch with the earth, and to carry the smell of the earth. Further still, to be humble is to take one's rightful place as a piece of the earth and not as someone or something separate from it.

The renowned mystic and scientist, Pierre Teilhard de Chardin, expressed this sometimes in his prayers. During the years when, as paleontologist, he worked for long stretches in the isolated deserts of China he would sometimes compose prayers to God in a form he called, *A Mass for the World*. Speaking to God, as a priest, he would identify his voice with that of the earth itself, as that place within physical creation where the earth itself, the soil of the earth, could open itself and speak to God. As a priest, he didn't speak *for* the earth; he spoke as the earth, giving it voice, in words to this effect:

Lord, God, I stand before you as a microcosm of the earth itself, to give it voice: See in my openness, the world's openness, in my infidelity, the world's infidelity; in my sincerity, the world's sincerity, in my hypocrisy, the world's hypocrisy; in my generosity, the world's generosity in my attentiveness, the world's attentiveness, in my distraction, the world's distraction; in my desire to praise you, the world's desire to praise you, and in my self-preoccupation, the world's forgetfulness of you. For I am of the earth, a piece of earth, and the earth opens or closes to you through my body, my soul, and my voice.

This is humility, an expression of genuine humility. Humility should never be confused, as it often is, with a wounded self-image, with an excessive reticence, with timidity and fear, or with an overly sensitive self-awareness. Too common is the notion that a humble person is one who is self-effacing to a fault, who deflects praise (even when it's deserved), who is too shy to trust opening himself or herself in intimacy, or who is so fearful or self-conscious and worried about being shamed so as to never step forward and offer his or her gifts to the community. These can make for a gentle and self-effacing person, but because we are denigrating ourselves when to deny our own giftedness, our humility is false, and deep-down we know it, and so this often makes for someone who nurses some not-so-hidden angers and is prone to being passive aggressive.

The most humble person you know is the person who's the most-grounded, that is, the person who knows she's not the center of the earth but also knows that she isn't a second-rate piece of dirt either. And that person will give off a scent that carries both the fragrance of paradise (of divine gift) as well as the smell of the earth.

(Kentville) **Mini Pilgrimage to Mass**

For a healthier Mind, Body, Soul and Environment, please join us for a mini pilgrimage to Mass on **Sunday, October 16th** as we walk to St Joseph's, Kentville.

Those coming from the east will meet at Eaves Hollow on the Kentville Trail and those from the west will meet at KCA and walk the Kentville Trail. We will leave those locations at **9:30am**.

After Mass, refreshments will be provided for all parishioners before the return trip. Be sure to wear comfortable clothing and footwear!



Please join us for Father Raymond's session on The Creed using Bishop Barron's dvds. Starts Monday October 3rd at 11:00 am in the lower hall of St. Patrick's Church, Digby (First Ave entrance). Open to all who are interested, near and far.



**DIGBY & AREA
HOUSING COALITION**

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Are you looking for affordable housing? Do you have extra space in your home? Are affordable housing or aging in place issues that concern you? The Digby & Area Housing Coalition is partnering with Annapolis Valley HomeSHARE to offer a program to match homeowners with potential tenants. A committee will provide advice and support on an ongoing basis. If you would like to help out in any way, please contact the Digby Parish Office or our Community Coordinator:

ALPHA (online): *What is the Christian faith?*

Beginning Thursday evenings, from 6:30 to 8:00, October 6th to December 15.

To register please email Claudette and Eric Sturk by October 1st at: claudettesturk@gamil.com

Unbound (online): *A ministry of healing which helps individuals to overcome challenges, through freedom in Christ, that prevent them from living the fullness of life as promised by the Father.*

Beginning Thursday evenings from 6:30 to 8:30, October 6th to November 24th.

To register please email Deacon Dave Hasler by October 1st at: davehasler21@gmail.com.

**IT'S A FRYDAY 1 PIECE FISH,
HOME CUT FRIES, LEMON WEDGE
AND TARTAR SAUCE
KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS
BISHOP GALLAGHER
COUNCIL 6297**

**FISH FRY FRIDAY October 7th
St. Monica's Church Hall Middleton, NS
October 7th, 2022 4 PM—6 PM
TAKE OUT ONLY—\$15.00
BOOK BY OCTOBER 2nd
CALL 902-349- 8838**

Corpus Christi Catholic Books & Gifts: October is dedicated to Our Blessed Mother. *Walking with Mary: A Biblical Journey from Nazareth to the Cross* by Edward Sri is a mature Scripture-based book that addresses how Mary is relevant to our faith, our daily lives, and our times. (\$20.00) Available at St. Monica's church hall after Sunday Mass or call Mary Crooks (902-825-6495) to arrange a time, or for special requests.

WHAT: One Day Retreat, Grace Ministries for Women
THEME: Celebrating Diversity of Women (please wear or bring clothing, scarf, or flag representing your culture or country of origin.
THEME: You Were Made for Such a Time as This - Esther 4:14
WHEN: Saturday October 15, 2022
WHERE: St. Peters Catholic Church, 10 Maple St., Dartmouth
TIME: 9-5
COST: \$40 (includes catered coffee break, lunch, and stipends for guest speaker Barbare Heil (from USA, virtually) and a live speaker testimonial. There is NO ZOOM available this time. On-line Pre-registration only. To pre-register, please go to Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish online. For further information, please contact Marg Jackson at jacksonmarg@hotmail.com.

Marian Hour of Prayer: Please join us on the First Saturday of October 1 at 11:00 am at St. Monica's Church as we pray in this month of special devotion to Our Blessed Mother for an enlivened spirit of vocation to the Priesthood, Diaconate, Religious Life, Consecrated Life, Matrimony, and Chaste Single Life. We also pray for the ill of our parish and for peace. Hosted by St. Monica's Catholic Women's League. All are warmly welcomed.

Images and Icons of Mary: All women of our parish are invited to the monthly meeting of St. Monica's Catholic Women's League, featuring a special display and description of exquisite Polish Icons of Mary, presented by Ela Dramowicz. Monday, October 3 at 2:00 pm at St. Monica's church hall. Come and enjoy companionship, learning, prayer, and refreshments with other Catholic women.

Kentville Annual Pumpkin People Festival

Theme: Animal Kingdom

When: Sunday, Oct 2 (Following Mass)

Noah and his Arc will be docked at St. Joseph's

Make your pumpkin animal and bring it to Mass to fill the Arc! Enjoy a bbq, refreshments and Fellowship! Hope to see you there!

St. Joseph's KOC Decorating Committee and CLT



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