

## Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 9, 2017

*The Spirit of Jesus brings us life. We praise God and give thanks for this great gift.*



**Sunday 16 July 2017** – it's The Good Shepherd Parish Annual Barbeque – following the 11:15 a.m. Sunday Mass – everyone is invited. If you can, bring along your favourite salad to share... it would be a most welcome addition to the menu.

This event is intended to provide all parishioners with a time to pause for some fun, fellowship and great summertime food.... we look forward to seeing you there! Sign-up sheets are in the Church gathering space.

### **GOOD SHEPHERD PARISH SEEKING PART-TIME YOUTH**

**MINISTER:** To start in August 2017. The parish will receive applications until July 7; please forward your resume to [charityc564@gmail.com](mailto:charityc564@gmail.com). No phone calls please. We thank all applicants for their interest, but only those candidates selected for an interview will be contacted.

**Good Shepherd Parish Bible Study.** The Fall session, beginning the week of September 18, 2017, for 10 weeks, will study the Gospel According to Mark. The course, using materials prepared by Little Rock Scripture Study, is offered twice a week - Monday evening or Wednesday morning. Application forms can be found on the bookshelf at the back of the church. Please apply by August 18, 2017. For further information contact [gsbiblestudy@rogers.com](mailto:gsbiblestudy@rogers.com)

**Spiritually Adopted Baby:** Since the last bulletin announcement I have gained weight and height and my systems are more sophisticated. I am now 26 weeks old. I weigh about a pound and two-thirds, mainly because of gaining baby fat and I measure 14 inches. The nerves in my ears make my hearing more sensitive than before so I can hear voices. I am also inhaling and exhaling small amounts of amniotic fluid, which is good practice for when I will be born and take that first gulp of air. I can feel the prayers that are being said for my mom and me. Thank you for being faithful to this request. Please come to see my picture in the Vestibule. I think I'm very cute. Please also take home the prayer for me, your spiritually adopted baby, that you will find in your bulletin this Sunday.

### **GUIDED TOURS OF NOTRE DAME CATHEDRAL - JUNE,**

**JULY & AUGUST 2017:** This year, there will be free guided tours of the cathedral during the summer months. Further info: (<http://www.notredameottawa.com/guided-tours-2017>).

### Offering for July 2, 2017

Sunday Envelopes:	\$ 2900.00
PAC/Visa/MC	\$ 2660.00
Loose:	<u>\$ 780.00</u>
Total Collection:	\$ 6340.00

Our financial requirements are approx. **\$8,000** per week to support our approx. **\$2,000** a week mortgage payment.

#### ASSOCIATE PASTOR'S CORNER

Jesus presents himself as the friend of the weary and the worn out, the fearful and the despairing, and he tells us that we can come to him and find some rest, some consolation. Nice words! Easy to say that, all you have to do to deal with the tough situations of life is come to Jesus and all your troubles will just disappear. But of course, that's not what Jesus is saying. No, your troubles won't disappear, but by looking at Jesus you will begin to see them in their proper perspective and not as the mountains you've made of them, and begin to see that most of the problems that overwhelm us are created and sustained by ourselves. Jesus does promise to take the weight of the world from our shoulders - where they have no place - if we trust him. But for this to happen we must give our hearts to him; nothing less is acceptable. What is implied here is complete trust and childlike dependence, qualities that most of us have lost along the way. We worry about life because we feel that we are responsible for everything, and as society tells us: if we don't measure up, if we don't solve every problem, and have a strategy in every eventuality, then we'll be thrown on the ash heap, and dismissed as less than productive. We have to perform for our employers, our spouses, our children, our neighbours, strangers even, and if we slip up then we'll miss out somehow, the "good life" will pass us by. No wonder we feel burdened. Jesus says, on the other hand, that if we want the good life then we need to let go of this pretense and come to him. But we find it so hard to cast our cares upon the Lord, don't we?

Jesus leaves us in no doubt that humility is vitally necessary in the search for God. Humility isn't something that's greatly prized in a society that values self-esteem and self-projection, not to say arrogance, and an independent attitude. "I did it my way". Humility is trust, and the realization that without God we are nothing, and can do nothing. Humility is about how we respond to God, seeing ourselves as He sees us; only then can we express this to those around us. Humility is not weakness or fear, but a proper understanding of where we stand in the world, and what our purpose is. The humble person has no need to complicate her life with false self-images that aim only at acquiring the trappings of a society that has lost its grounding in its creator. Because we lack humility we are robbed of that inner peace that God promises us, a peace that remains stable even in the face of difficulties. Humility allows us to let go and recognize that this is God's world and all that happens is in God's hands; everything has a reason. Without this faith we have nothing to hold onto. Humility helps us to see things from a different angle, not as pure chance, but as purposeful, meaningful. It is in God that we find our strength. God bless you. Amen.

## INTENTIONS

### **Saturday, July 8 – Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

5:00 pm †Guenter Andrews req by Mary Meuse  
†Leonidas & Carmelina Roperero req by the family  
†Cecile Tadiello req by John Tadiello  
†Maria Rawski req by George & Darlene Keable  
Intention of Mrs. Thottungal req by Marissa Laciak

### **Sunday, July 9 – Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

For Our Parishioners

11:15 am †Emma Matti req by the family

### **Monday, July 10 – Fourteenth Monday in Ordinary Time**

9:00 am †Kevin Knightley req by Sheila & Michael

### **Tuesday, July 11 – Memorial, St. Benedict, Abbot**

9:00 am Special intentions Marianne & Catherine

### **Thursday, July 13 – Fourteenth Thursday in Ordinary Time**

9:00 am Special Intentions Marianne & Catherine

### **Friday, July 14 – Fourteenth Friday in Ordinary Time**

9:00 am †Louise Winifred Monaghan on the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of  
her passing req by Shawn Monaghan & family

### **Saturday, July 15 – Fifteenth Sunday on Ordinary Time**

5:00 pm †Guenter Andrews req by John Tadiello  
Intention of Bob Dunn req by the family  
Intention of Daniel Mulye and a mass of Thanksgiving  
req by Mom & Dad  
Deceased members of the Pereira family

### **Sunday, July 16 – Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:00 am For Our Parishioners

11:15 am †Ophalie Pascal req by Agatha Constance

†Eugène & Fleurida Prevost req by Chantal Prevost

*Please pray for our sick;* Joe MacDonell, Rose Dugandzic, Jean-Ella Lemire, Bob & Francine Davidson, Bonnie Lehman, Elsie & Steve Stadler, Lorretta Dillon-Robinette, Dorothy Dillon and John MacDonald.

*Please pray for our deceased,* that they may be received into God's love.

**143<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE TO STE-ANNE-DE-BEAUPRÉ AND CAP-DE-LA-MADELEINE, AUGUST 12-13, 2017:** Weekend Celebrant is Bishop Michael Mulhall, Diocese of Pembroke. Pilgrimage theme "*That My Joy May Be In You.*" Pope Francis has invited all Catholics to continue practicing the Jubilee of Mercy for 2017. Info: Mike Budge (613-224-8110); ([www.ste-anne-de-beaupre.com](http://www.ste-anne-de-beaupre.com)).

#### **PRO LIFE CORNER**

We have just celebrated Canada's 150th birth or existence as a nation; but, do you know that every year in Canada over 100,000 unborn babies are intentionally aborted from their mother's womb. These babies will never celebrate their birth or one moment of life beyond the womb. Please pray for an end to abortion and support all mothers who may be considering or being forced to abort their baby. **The importance of the last moments of life** - At the end of life, one is faced with a weak and deteriorating body while at the same time the soul is experiencing a moment of great openness and strength. This mystery of the human person is critical in understanding the end of life.