



Sacred Heart Parish Bulletin

Mass: 4:00 pm – Saturdays
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September 03, 2022
Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday Readings, Year C:

The **First Reading** is taken from the *Book of Wisdom 9:13-18a*. In today's extract the author is stressing man's incapability of understanding the divine plans and decrees. Because we are finite, limited beings, our knowledge is finite and limited. There are many limited, finite problems all around us, which we cannot solve. How could we hope to solve the infinite ones?

The **Second Reading** is from *St. Paul to Philemon 9b-10, 12-17*. This letter is the shortest of St. Paul's letters and at the same time the most personal and touching. During his first imprisonment in Rome (61-63), a slave called Onesimus, who had run away from his Christian master Philemon, a native of Colossae, came to Paul in Rome and was converted to Christianity. Paul sent him back to his master bearing this letter, in which Paul touchingly appeals to Philemon to deal kindly with the runaway.

The **Gospel** is from *St. Luke 14:25-33* and teaches us that the essential condition for true discipleship, demanded by Christ, was, and still is, total dedication, total commitment of oneself to Him. There can be no such person as a half-Christian. "He that is not with me is against me," He said on another occasion. We cannot be for Christ on Sunday and against Him for the remainder of the week. To be His true disciples, His true followers, we must live our Christian life every day and all day.

Following Christ means making our way to heaven. It is a life-journey. We have a limited time in which to complete this journey. Therefore, we must travel a certain distance each day. This does not mean that we must spend every day in prayer and meditation. There are other tasks to be done, but we must Christianize these other tasks. Even the members of religious orders who "leave the world," that is, who are set free from the family and financial cares of this world by their vows of chastity and poverty, have to busy themselves with other cares like teaching, nursing, tilling the soil perhaps, house-keeping, writing and many such activities. They cannot and do not spend all their day and every day in prayer and meditation. Nor does Christ demand this of them.

Much less, therefore, does He demand this of the ninety-nine percent of His followers who have to take on themselves financial and family cares. It is by fulfilling these worldly duties in a Christian way that they are dedicating themselves to His service. This is their total commitment to Christ. The married man or woman who is loyal to his or her life-partner and to the family, if there is one, and who provides diligently and honestly for his own and the family's spiritual and temporal welfare, and who always does this with the intention of pleasing God, is following Christ and is moving steadily day by day towards heaven.

—Excerpted from The Sunday Readings Cycle C, Fr. Kevin O' Sullivan, O.F.M.

Mother Teresa

The Missionaries of Charity and their friends celebrate today the feast day of recently canonized (2016) St. Teresa of Calcutta (1910--1997), affectionally called, "Mother Teresa." September 5th is the anniversary of her death.

On November 17, 2021 the U.S. bishops voted to inscribe St. Teresa of Kolkata, known during her life as Mother Teresa, in the Liturgical Calendar of the United States as an optional memorial that could be celebrated in the Mass on Sept. 5, the anniversary of Mother Teresa's death. The action still needs the approval of the Vatican's Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments before it takes effect.

Collection
August 27, 2022

Envelopes	\$215.00
Loose	\$45.00
Cemetery Fund I/M of Bill Barrett	\$100.00
Donation from Musique Royale	\$300.00
	\$660.00

NOTICES:

1: The Johnstown Landing Artisan & Farmers Outdoor Market: The next market is Saturday September 10th; the location is directly across from the Johnstown Parish Hall located at 15290 Highway 4 in Johnstown. Time: 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

2: Mother of Sorrows Pioneer Shrine: “The Annual Celebration for Mother of Sorrows Pioneer Shrine in Mabou will take place on Sunday September 11th. The Continuous Rosary starts at 1:00 pm at the Shrine.

Mass will be offered at St. Mary’s Church at 4:00 pm with Father Dan MacDonald officiating. There will be refreshments at the Parish Hall after Mass Compliments of St. Mary’s CWL For inquiries please call 902-945-2221

The Gift Shop at the Shrine is open every day from 10:00 am until 4:00 pm.”

3: September 10th: This mass will be for the intention of John Oram, who passed away this summer. Following the mass there will be a light lunch in the hall.

4: Richmond County Programs: If you are looking for more information on a specific program, or you are looking to register for a program, please contact Sharla Sampson at 902-226-0664 or by email at smombourquette@richmondcounty.ca.

5: Gentle Yoga 55+ For seniors who are looking for a safe, effective way to enhance their physical health and overall wellness, the stretching, breathing, and meditation practices of yoga can be a great solution. In fact, as you will see, doing yoga regularly can result in a host of benefits for older adults, from greater flexibility and improved balance to lower stress and better sleep.

Gentle Flow Yoga
Red Island Fire Hall, Red Islands
Mondays, for 8 weeks beginning September 26
10:00 am -11:30 am, Fee: \$25.00
Instructor: Helen Slade

6: RICHMOND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Members at Large required!

- * Term for members will be a 4-year Council term
- * The committee will meet 6 times per year
- * Experience in recreation/programming required
- * Members must have volunteer experience
- * Members must have an interest in the County as a whole Persons who are interested are requested to submit applications to Shannon Mury, Manager of Recreation, at smury@richmondcounty.ca

7: The Richmond Solid Waste Management Facility (634 Highway 206, West Arichat) is now an EPRA-approved Electronics Recycling Depot drop off location for your end of life electronics. Facility hours are Monday to Saturday, 8:30am to 4:00pm (closed all holidays). For a list of electronic accepted please visit <https://recyclemyelectronics.ca>