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Eucharistic Celebrations:

Sunday, Sept. 13th - 9:00 am – Jean deRocquigny (Margaret deRocquigny)

Friday, Sept. 18th – 9:00 am – Adoration and reconciliation

Mass – 10:00 am – August Debusschere (*funeral offering*)

Sunday, Sept. 20th - 9:00 am – Intention spéciale (*une paroissienne*)

Sanctuary Lamp – this week: **Eugene & Yvonne Bazin**

God's Share: Sept. 6th - \$403.00 (16) + \$35.00 (loose) + \$35.00 (DD) = **\$473.00**

<u>Ministries:</u>	<u>September 13th</u>	<u>September 20th</u>	<u>September 27th</u>
Readers:	Annette Bernard	Simone Lambert	Marcel Dufault
Counters:	Denise & ptrnr.	Eugene & ptrnr.	Jean & ptrnr.

Let us keep a thought in our prayers for : *Rose Vaillant* who passed away Wednesday, September 9th at her residence in Carman at the age of 82 years. A private funeral will be held Tuesday, September 15th in our church with burial in St. Denis Cemetery. Our condolences to her husband, Lucien, her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren, as well as to relatives and friends who are grieving.



Readings for Sunday: September 20, 2020

Isaiah 55: 6-9	Ps 145: 2-3, 8-9, 17-18
2 Philipians: 1: 20-24, 27	Matthew 20, 1-16

September 13, 2020

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Prayer Intention for September, 2020

The Maritime World – We pray for all those who work and live from the sea, among them sailors, fishermen and their families.

Let us pray for our pastor, Fr. Peter.

Let us pray for all the members of our parishes who are sick and for our deceased faithful.

Let us pray for students and staff who will resume classes this week.

Inscription at Entrance of Church: From now on, upon arrival, attendees must write their name and phone number on the “contact tracing form”.

Meeting of PPC : Tuesday, September 15, 2020 at 5:00 pm

On behalf of the St. Claude and St. Denis parishes, we wish to thank Mrs. Renée-Marie Godard for her contribution as secretary of the PPC committee. Good-bye Renée-Marie and may God bless you. Mrs. Evelyne Bosc has accepted to serve the parish as secretary for the committee for the coming years. Thank you Evelyne!

Mass of Tuesday, September 15, 2020: The weekday 9:00 am Mass of Tuesday will be cancelled in St. Claude. The Funeral Mass for Mrs. Rose Vaillant will be celebrated in Haywood at 2:00 pm. Our sympathy to the family and friends of the Vaillant family.

New Email Address for St. Claude Parish:

Please note that the new email address will be the same for the St. Claude Parish and the Parish Secretary as follows: stclaudeparish@gmail.com

Wanted:

A mattress and box spring set for a double 54” bed is needed for the parish guest room. Bedding such as pillows, sheet set and comforter would be greatly appreciated. If anyone is interested in donating these items, please contact Fr. Peter at 204-952-4351.

Weekday Mass:

In St. Claude: at 9 AM (Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday) * Thursday afternoon: Eucharistic Adoration and Confession from 3PM to 4PM.

In St. Denis: Friday morning, 9AM – 10AM: Eucharistic Adoration and Confession; 10 AM: Holy Mass

Saturday Evening: 7:30PM Holy Rosary; 8 PM: Mass in English in St. Claude Church.

Sunday Mass:

+ **In St. Denis:** at 9:00 Am: Bilingual Mass in the church.

+ **In St. Claude:** at 11:00 Am: Mass in French in the church.

St-Claude Parish Office:

The new hours for the parish office will now be on **Friday from 8:30 am to 2:00 pm.**

Your COVID-19 FAQs

Question: How would a person receive the Last Rites if he/she were in danger of death from the Covid-19 virus? Would the priest be allowed to come to the hospital or home? Would this be an improper imposition on the priest since he would be put in danger by being exposed to the Covid-19 virus?

Answer: The Sacrament of anointing of the sick can and should be done if requested in a palliative situation. If a person is in a hospital or nursing home, they would also have to follow the procedures of those institutions. For instance, being on a contact list given by the patient. Regarding the second part of the question it is never inappropriate to ask for the sacraments. To minister to the people of God is literally the *raison d'être* of the priesthood. Priests should of course wear all the protective clothing of the facility. It might be wise however, not to request a specific priest, especially the elderly or immunocompromised.



Archdiocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass – October 4, 2020

Are you celebrating a milestone wedding anniversary in 2020 (5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30 years or more)? Sign up to take part in the annual diocesan wedding anniversary celebration. Each Fall, Archbishop Albert LeGatt presides this celebratory mass, which will take place this year on October 4th at 3 PM at St. Boniface Cathedral. Couples will be invited to renew their marriage vows and to receive a special blessing.

NB: NEW in 2020, due to COVID-19: We are ensuring that the

celebration is organized in such a way that respects the sanitary measures required by the province. There will be no reception following the mass this year. Space is limited - register soon! (Deadline to register: September 28) You may register online at www.bit.ly/anniv-2020. Info: Marriage, Family and Life Office – mfl@archsaintboniface.ca / 204-594-0274.

*** In our parishes, the couples want to celebrate the milestone wedding anniversary, please contact Fr. Peter. He is so happy to celebrate the Thanksgiving Mass for you!**

Marriage Tips

Sometimes it can be frightening to embark upon a big change in life – a birth, a death, changing jobs, or retirement. In times of transition, if you are experiencing fear or insecurity, allow yourself to be vulnerable. Share your feeling with your spouse, and trust that it will be kept safe. Let your spouse know how they can support you, as needed.

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How many times should we forgive?

St Peter's question still initiates conversations: *Lord, how often should I forgive my brother or sister if they sin against me? As many as seven times?* In Jesus' era, the number seven meant completeness and achievement, but are there any limits?

Both St. Peter's question and Jesus' answer shed light on the practice of forgiveness and fraternal correction. Christ continued the conversation and related a series of scenarios involving people representing all classes in society and whether or not they forgave.

The words of Sirach found in the First Reading are familiar: *Anger and wrath, these are abominations, yet a sinner holds on to them... (Sir 27:30) Forgive your neighbor the wrong that is done, and then your sins will be pardoned when you pray... (Sir 28:7)*. Concerning the number of times that one should forgive, what we can remember is a reference from Genesis about retribution as much as *seventy times seven* (Gen 4: 23-24). This number is mentioned in an ancient warrior ballad and is perhaps an early example of Hebrew poetry. In reference to this number, today's text reverses the vengeance aspect and instead applies it to forgiveness.

Whether dealing with the subject of vengeance as represented in either a ballad or a parable, there remains the legitimate question of dealing with issues. There are passages that state: *eye for eye, tooth for tooth (Ex 21:24)*. When determining a sentence for a crime that has been committed, the law must prevail and guarantee justice. This action also applies to forgiveness. We refer back to St. Peter's question.

Jesus then offers his opinion on offenses and forgiveness as he responds to St. Peter: *Not just seven times, but up to seventy times seven.*

By responding like this, Jesus is not keeping score. Instead he preaches an excess of forgiveness that is woven throughout the Gospel. This is God's Good News. At the end of his life, Christ's last words were: *Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing (Lk 23:34)*.

To ensure that he was understood, Jesus added the story of the ruthless debtor to his answer. Today, when we say the Our Father, we repeat these familiar words: *Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.*



Father Jacques Houle, c.s.v.
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