

ST. DENIS Parish

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LOVE OTHERS

TRAIN DISCIPLES

Eucharistic Celebrations:

Sunday, **July 21**st - **9:00am** - **Solange Viallet** (August & Thérèse Debusschere)
Sunday, **July 28**th - **9:00am** - **Henri Jobin** (Simone & André Lambert)
Sunday, **August 4**th - **9:00am** - **Madeleine Lachapelle** (funeral collection)

<u>Sanctuary Lamp – this week:</u> Thérèse & August Debusschere
<u>God's Share:</u> July 14^{th} - \$235.00 (13) + \$0.00 loose + \$20.00 (dd) = \$255.00
Church Cleaning: July 1^{st} to Aug. 15^{th} – Yvonne Dequier & Doris Rey.

<u> Ministries :</u>	July 21 st	<u>July 28th</u>	August 4 th
Readers:	Mona Souque	Annette Bernard	Lucille Dheilly
Offerings &	Raymond Souque	Eugene Bazin &	Marcel Dequier
Collection:	family	Albert Furet	family
Communion:	Yvonne Bazin	Judith Robidoux	Lucille Dheilly
Counters:	Raymond & prtnr.	Dorothée & prtnr.	Maurice & prtnr.

Columbarium: We have been asked for a columbarium for our cemetery. We would like to know how many would be interested in purchasing a niche. Please let us know what you think, and give your name to André if you wish to be counted. parstdenis@gmail.com

Readings for Sunday: July 28, 2019

Genesis 18.20-32;

8.20-32; Psalm: 138.1-2a, 2b-3, 6-7ab, 7c-8 (R.3);

Colossians 2.12-14; Luke 11.1-13

16th Sunday in Ordinary Times (C) - July 21st, 2019

Prayer Intention for July 2019

For Father Peter Le and Fr. John so that God will pour his graces upon them in their ministry.

For the good of the earth; necessary moisture for our crops.

For our families, our parishes and our parishioners.

For the sick in our community and those who are in distress.

Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage at the Grotto of Notre Dame de Lourdes in St. Malo – August 18, 2019

English Mass will be held at 9AM (French Mass: 11AM). Confession before both masses. Followed by breakfast served by the K of C (Free will offering). *View poster.*

35th Anniversary of St. John Paul II's Visit to Manitoba – September 8, 2019

Come join us at Pope's Hill in Birds Hill Park on Sunday, September 8 at 11AM for a Eucharistic Celebration at the site of the Mass celebrated by Pope John Paul II in 1984. Bring a lawn chair and lunch. We are planning to have food for sale following the Mass to allow for fellowship with everyone present. Organized by St. John Paul II Parish in Oakbank.

Marriage Tip:

What helps you calm down when you are upset? Are there "trigger" words that cause situations to escalate? Identify these and work with your spouse to adjust your conversations accordingly.

Stewardship Reflexion – July 21, 2019 - 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time



"...I am a minister in accordance with God's stewardship given to me to bring to completion for you the word of God." (Colossians 1:25)

We are all called to evangelize – to continuously grow in our relationship with Jesus and to share it with others. We may not be called to evangelize like St. Paul, but we should look for opportunities to share our faith with those closest to us, like our family, friends and neighbors. Pray for the courage to share your faith the next time the opportunity arises.

Lot for Sale:

Lot # 1 serviced with town water and sewers at the corner of Oak Street and Aspen Street in St. Claude. Measures 145' on Oak St. by 120' on Aspen St. Asking price is \$30,000.00. Please contact Marcel Lesage at 204-379-2196 or Robert Burgoyne at 204-379-2714.

Thought of the Day:

Silence is the temple in which one can enter to pray. (Gilles Vigneault)

The prayer that comes from the geart, without words or formula, is often the best... but the prayer forms will always be necessary.

There are some who express what we feel and help us to pray. Here is one suggested to those who go or will be going on holidays.



Prayer for Holidays



Dear Lord, how we've waited for this vacation, and now it's finally here.

Thank You, Lord, for the opportunity to take a break from our daily routines and to replenish our minds, bodies and souls so that we may better serve You.

Sometimes our expectations for vacations are unrealistic, and we find ourselves disappointed when things don't go our way.

Help us not to worry about having the 'perfect' vacation but to relax and enjoy every moment, whatever it may bring.

We are grateful for the joys that await us, whether they be the beauty of your creation, recreation with family or friends, or peace and solitude.

Watch over us and protect us as we travel, and bring us safely home again, refreshed and renewed.

Amen.

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Prayers and Service

Are you surprised at Jesus' comments? Could Martha and Mary have prepared the meal together and invited Jesus to join them? Not really. While Martha prepared the meal, Mary listened to Christ. Both women welcomed Jesus, one with prayer, the other with service. Jesus commented on how we should connect with God in our everyday lives, in our studies, at work, in prayer and in all that we do. In the book of Genesis, we read that Abraham, who lived by the Oaks of Mamre, welcomed three visitors. God, through the three strangers, rewarded him with the news that Sarah, his wife, would soon give birth to a son.



Jesus is not criticizing Martha, who appears agitated, but instead offers her a new perspective. Life is not just about *doing* things, rather it is about being attentive to people.

Have you ever spent time with a friend, watched a movie, had a drink, went shopping and realized later there was very little conversation because it wasn't necessary? Do we only speak to hear ourselves? I remember a former student who wanted to meet his father, but the latter was too busy looking after his patients. One night, the son secretly added his name to his father's agenda in order to spend time with him. That initiative changed their relationship!

We can serve God through our prayers and attention like Mary, or through our actions, like Martha. St. Vincent de Paul (1581-1660) inspired congregations of sisters with words that encouraged their devotion to God and service to people in need. One of my friends named her daughters Martha and Mary. The third daughter, to accentuate the importance of both prayer and service, was named Mary-Martha.

How welcoming are we? Are we inclined to visit those in need? Do we welcome foreigners? Jesus praised hospitality as an evangelical outreach. It's our turn now to follow Christ's example.

Father Yvon Cousineau, c.s.c
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