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Our mission statement: LOVE GOD - LOVE OTHERS - TRAIN DISCIPLES

Eucharistic Celebrations: St. Claude – Haywood - Pavilion

Sat. Aug. 31st	5:00 pm	+ Parishioners – Fr. Peter
		+ Patricia Genest – Genest family
Sun. Sept. 1st	9:00 am H	+ Parishioners – Fr. Peter
		+ Andy Mislán – Jeff & Charlene Lucier
Sun. Sept. 1st	11:00 am	+ Parishioners – Fr. Peter
		+ Father Marcel Toupin – Lucille Bazin
Mon. Sept. 2nd	private	+ All souls – Fr. Peter
Tue. Sept. 3rd	9:00 am	+ Henri Gauthier – funeral offerings
Wed. Sept. 4th	2:30 pm P	+ Intention of Sister Cécile Aimé – Irène & Patrick Bellec
Thu. Sept. 5th	9:00 am	+ Eucharistic adoration & confessions
	Mass 10:00 am	+ George Le Foch – funeral offerings
Fri. Sept. 6th	private	+ All souls – Fr. Peter
Sat. Sept. 7th	5:00 pm	+ Liturgy of the Word and communion with Deacon Landry
Sun. Sept. 8th	9:00 am H	+ Liturgy of the Word and communion with Deacon Landry
Sun. Sept. 8th	11:00 am	+ Liturgy of the Word and communion with Deacon Landry

Ministries:	<u>September 1st</u>	<u>September 8th</u>	<u>September 15th</u>
Readers:	Judith Robidoux	Simone Lambert	Annette Bernard
Collection:	Denise & Annette	Michel & René	Eugene & Albert
Counters:	Michelle & prtnr.	Raymond & prtnr.	Dorothée & prtnr.
Cross bearers :	Albert Furet	Gérald Poirier	Eugene Bazin

God's Share : August 25th – \$520.00 (18) + \$30.00 loose + \$130.00 (3-DD) = **\$680.00**

Ordinary Donations : August 25th – **\$175.00** (2)

Kid's Bulletin – You will find copies of The Kid's Bulletin on the tables in the back of the church. Please take a copy home with you. There will be a bulletin every week featuring the Sunday's faith message. Fun for parents & grandparents as well!

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time B -September 1st, 2024

Prayer intention of Pope Francis for September 2024 - For the cry of the Earth

We pray that each one of us will hear and take to heart the cry of the Earth and of victims of natural disasters and climactic change, and that all will undertake to personally care for the world in which we live.

Let us pray: - For the conversion of Christians, especially those of our parishes.
- For peace among all nations.

Prayer for the Divorne family and all farmers

As you might know, the Divorne's dairy barn was burnt down by fire on Monday, September 26, 2024. As a pastor, friend and brother in Christ, and on behalf of our parishes of St. Claude and St. Denis, I would like to express my empathy and my prayerful support to Mr. Pierre, Bruno, Karen, all the kids and the entire Divorne family during these challenging times. As a pastor, I would like to share with you my thoughts through the prism of faith.

First, as Christians, people of faith, we are invited to **“pray without ceasing, give thanks to God in all circumstances”** (1Thessalonians 5.18). Most of the dairy barn has been burnt down, a big loss but fortunately everyone was safe. For this, we give thanks to God. We also see many positive things from this tragedy. This is what I have seen when I was there. Multiple fire departments were fighting so hard to extinguish the blaze. We thank them for their courageous and dedicated service to our community. Many people and local farmers came to help move the cattle, feeding the young calves. They were there bringing the **blaze of love**, to give a hand, to do what they can to help the family in this tragedy. **“How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity!”** (Psalm 133.1). It is truly blessed to live in a community where people live in love, and come together for mutual support in difficult times. Where there is love, there is God. This is another reason for us to be thankful to God and to one another.

Another lesson that we can learn from this incident is that life is fragile; everything can change in a blink of an eye. Jesus taught us: **“Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal; but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal”** (Matthew 6.19-21). As we continue our temporary journey on earth with hard work for a better future, may we never forget God in our lives. God is the author of life and the source of all blessings. We are reminded to **“seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well”** (Matthew 6.33).

May God keep the Divorne family and all of us safe and strengthen our faith. Grant us peace, O Lord, and help us to be mindful of the state of our souls, knowing that everything can change in a blink of an eye. Amen.

Fr. Peter Le

The CCCB Calls on All Faithful to Participate in the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation on 1 September 2024

OTTAWA, 26 August 2024 – The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB) invites all Catholic faithful to join in the global celebration of the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation that will take place 1 September 2024. This day calls on all of us to unite in prayer, reflection, and action for the protection and preservation of our common home.

This year's theme, "Hope and Act with Creation," draws inspiration from Saint Paul's Letter to the Romans (8:19-25), emphasizing the hope that stems from our faith and the active role we must play in caring for the world around us. The theme resonates with [Pope Francis' message](#), highlighting our responsibility as stewards of creation and our call to safeguard the environment for future generations.

The CCCB encourages dioceses, parishes, and Catholic organizations to organize special liturgies, prayer services, and educational initiatives to mark this important day. This is a time to reflect on our role in God's creation, to seek forgiveness for the ways we have harmed the earth, and to commit ourselves to actions that promote ecological justice.

"We are called to an ecological conversion, to care for our environment as an expression of our love for God and our neighbors," said Bishop William T. McGrattan, President of the CCCB. "On this World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation, let us come together in solidarity with all people of goodwill to pray, reflect, and act for the protection of our planet."

In preparation for the special day, the Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development has published a video and resources (Pope Francis' Message, an infographic, several press releases, and a pastoral kit), which can be consulted and downloaded from [its website](#).

The CCCB hopes that this World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation will inspire a renewed commitment among all Catholics to protect the environment and promote sustainable practices in their daily lives.

Maribel Mayorga

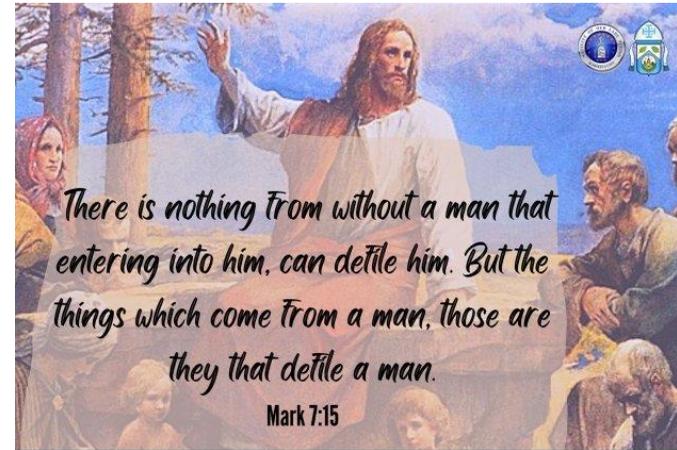
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«You disregard God's commandment but cling to human tradition»



Today, the Word of the Lord helps us to discern that over and above our human usages we have to place God's Commandments. In fact, as time goes by, it is easy for us to distort the evangelic advice and, willingly or not, replace the Commandments or engulf them in a punctilious meticulousness: "And on coming from the marketplace they do not eat without purifying themselves. And there are many other things that they have traditionally observed, the purification of cups and jugs and kettles..." (Mk 7:4). This is why plain people, with their typical common sense, paid little attention to the doctors of the Law or to the Pharisees, who were putting more emphasis on their human speculations than on God's Word. To the religious hypocrite Jesus applies Isaiah's prophetic complaint ("Well did Isaiah prophesy about you hypocrites, as it is written: This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me": Mk 7:6).

When St. John Paul II expressed his sorrow in the name of the Church for all the negative things that her children had done throughout history, he did it by saying «we have been separated from the Gospel».

Jesus tells us: "Nothing that enters one from outside can defile that person; but the things that come out from within are what defile" (Mk 7:15). What comes out of a man's heart, from a person's conscious seclusion, is what can make us bad. This malice is what harms Mankind and us specifically. Religiosity does not consist precisely in washing our hands (remember Pilate who delivers Jesus Christ to be crucified!), but in keeping our heart pure.

Speaking positively, this is what St. Therese of Lisieux tells us in her Biographic Manuscripts: "Considering the mystical body of the Church (...) I understood that the Church had a Heart and that this Heart was burning with love". From a loving heart springs the well done deeds that help precisely those who really need help ("For I was hungry and you gave me food..." Mt 25:35).

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