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MASS TIMES

Monday - Saturday: 7:45 a.m.
Saturday: 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 7:45 a.m., 10:00 a.m.
& 12:00 p.m.

RECONCILIATION

Saturday after the 7:45 a.m.
Mass (unless Fr. Chris is away).
Fr. Chris is receptive to being
approached after the Weekday
Masses as well (not on Sundays).

ADORATION

Holy Cross Perpetual Adoration
Chapel
24 hours a day, 7 days a week

Family Adoration (Friday)

Fridays at 7:00 p.m. in the
church

1st Friday of the Month

Devotion

Following the 7:45 a.m. Mass

1st Saturday of the Month

Devotion

Following the 7:45 a.m. Mass

3rd Friday of the Month

Devotion

Following the 7:45 a.m. Mass

PARISH CENTRE

OFFICE

Monday - Thursday
8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. &
1:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Friday

8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. &
1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

PASTORAL STAFF

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PARISH BULLETIN

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME • January 14th, 2018

Catholic Q&A.....

Is betrayal of Jesus forgivable? Matthew 26:24 makes it seem that it is not.

Answer

"The Son of Man indeed goes, as it is written of him, but woe to that man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed. It would be better for that man if he had never been born." Then Judas, his betrayer, said in reply, "Surely it is not I, Rabbi?" He answered, "You have said so." (Matthew 26:24-25).

For starters, we must recognize that this verse refers only to Judas Iscariot and his particular situation. It is not a general statement about sin or temporary apostasy. After all, Peter's denial of Jesus can be considered a kind of betrayal of Jesus, and yet clearly Jesus forgave him.

In warning against Judas's betrayal, Jesus could have been including the resulting shame and despair that Judas would later feel over his actions. Church tradition seems quite clear that had Judas repented and sought forgiveness from the resurrected Jesus, he would have received it. Perhaps we can surmise that to truly have spent all that time with Jesus and still have betrayed him means that Judas had, in his heart, chosen to irrevocably reject Jesus.

Can the devil tell the truth?

Answer

Even though he is the father of lies (John 8:44), the devil can and does tell the truth - whenever it serves his purposes.

The most deceptive lies often contain truths that are distorted, which makes them half-truths. When the devil tempted Jesus to throw himself off the top of the Temple, he said God would not let Jesus come to harm because angels had been given charge over him. He quoted Psalm 91:12 which says, "On their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone."

What the devil said was true, but he left out a crucial point Jesus included in his reply: You shall not test the Lord (cf. Deut. 6:16). While God's angels protected Jesus from harms that came upon him and ministered to him in times of distress (Matthew 4:11), it would have been false to conclude God would protect those who intentionally place themselves in peril with the presumption God would save them.

So yes, the devil can tell both truths and lies, but we shouldn't ever trust his words. Instead, we should trust God who does not lie (Num. 23:19) but simply is "the God of truth" (Psalm 31:5).

Why are souls in purgatory referred to as "holy souls" when they are there only on account of their sins?

Answer

Even the saints in heaven committed sins. They are holy because they are in union with God and can no longer sin. The souls in purgatory also can no longer sin. They are already saved and know they are awaiting the fullness of the presence of God.

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: 1 Samuel 3.3b-10, 19

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 6.13c-15a, 17-20

Gospel: John 1.35-42



ANNOUNCEMENTS

JANUARY PAPAL PRAYER INTENTIONS

EVANGELIZATION: Religious Minorities in Asia: That Christians and other religious minorities in Asian countries, may be able to practise their faith in full freedom.

FATHER CHRIS AWAY JANUARY 14TH - FEBRUARY 15TH: Father Chris will be travelling home to Nigeria from January 14th to February 15th. He will return on Saturday, February 17th to celebrate our 5:00 p.m. Mass. Father Roque Anquintero Jr. (Father JoJo) and Father Jasson Ortega have been very kind enough to help preside over all the Masses and celebrations while Father Chris is away. We ask you to please give them a very warm welcome to Holy Cross! Thank you for all your help!



Holy Cross Parish offers its prayers and condolences to the family and friends of Andre Robin (father of Holy Cross Parish parishioner Michel Robin). We pray that Mr. Robin will be met in the comfort of heaven's Angels, Saints, Our Lord and Blessed Mother. Mr.

Robin's funeral prayers will be held on Sunday, January 14th at 7:00 p.m. at Green Acres Funeral Home, Highway #1 East of Navin Road. His funeral Mass will be celebrated on Monday, January 15th at 10:30 a.m. at Saint Boniface Cathedral, 190 Avenue de la Cathedrale. Please keep Andre Robin and his family in your prayers.

HOLY CROSS PARISH PRESENTS:

Hot Button Topics Mini Series This Month!

Abortion: Reaching Hearts & Minds in Today's Culture

Tuesday, January 16, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Speaker: Paola Aguilar

Assisted Suicide: What it Really Means

Tuesday, January 23, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Speaker: Dr. Larry Rados

Homosexuality & Living the Catholic Faith

Tuesday, January 30, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Speaker: Deacon Gilles Urquhart

How to reach hearts and minds on the issue of abortion in today's culture of death and hostility. What does assisted suicide really mean? Homosexuality, same sex marriages and living the Catholic faith. You don't need to sign up, just show up. These are topics parishioners have been asking to hear more about for months. See you there!

MEDJUGORJE PRAYER GROUP: Please note that the next prayer meeting will be **Tuesday, January 16th at 7:00 p.m.** in the Church. All are invited!

CWL ANNUAL JANUARY DINNER: The ladies of your Holy Cross CWL will be holding their annual January dinner on **Wednesday, January 17th in the Church basement.** ALL ladies of the Parish are invited to join us for an evening of good food and good fellowship. We will be ordering dinner from Homers Greek Restaurant. This is a delicious dinner of: roasted chicken pieces, Greek style roasted potatoes, Greek salad, rolls and butter. Coffee and dessert will also be served. Cost is \$18.00 per person. If you would like to attend, please contact Pat Antoski at (204) 339-1978 **BEFORE Monday, January 15th.** Dinner will be delivered at 6:15 p.m., so please arrive at 6:00 p.m., so money can be collected to pay the driver. Please join us and learn more about what your CWL is all about.

HCP PARISH ENVELOPES: We have noticed that some parishioners are still using envelopes from previous years. **Please remember that once the New Year begins, you must DISCARD your old set, as envelope numbers can change from year to year.** If you haven't requested a set of 2018 parish envelopes but would like one, please contact the parish office at (204) 233-7367 or office@holycrossparish.ca, or drop in during office hours.

SOLDIERS OF CHRIST HEALING MINISTRY: The Soldiers of Christ Catholic Charismatic Healing Ministry (Winnipeg Chapter) invites everyone for Healing Evangelization every 3rd Sunday of the month. The next gathering is on **January 21st at 1:00 p.m. in the Church Annex.** Come, join, and be healed by Jesus Christ our Lord. May the Most Holy Face of Jesus shine upon us! For more information, please call Anita Bondoc at (204) 930-8357.

FOOD BANK COLLECTION NEXT WEEK: Just a reminder that next weekend we are asking once again for your generosity in support of our weekly Food Bank. Your donations help feed the needy and hungry of our community, so please be generous.

THANK YOU: The Holy Cross Food Bank would like to express their gratitude to Cody at No Frills for their generous donation to our Christmas Food Bank Breakfasts. Thank you Cody!



ADORATION CHAPEL: Holy Cross Parish is host to this amazing perpetual Adoration Chapel, to which faithful from across the greater Winnipeg area come to adore the True Presence - 7 days a week, 24 hours a day! There are a few time slots that we still need to fill. Please consider spending some time with our Eucharistic Lord.

Sunday: 3:00 a.m., 8:00 a.m., 5:00 p.m., 8:00 p.m. & 11:00 p.m.,

Monday: 12:00 a.m., 2:00 p.m. & 5:00 p.m., **Wednesday:** 12:00 p.m., and **Friday:** 9:00 a.m.

If you are able to help, please contact James at (204) 237-6330. We are also looking for two new Day Captains for the Adoration Chapel; one for Sunday and one for Friday. Please contact James for more details. Thank you!

EXTRAORDINARY COMMUNION MINISTERS OF THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND: Beginning in February 2018, there will

be a change of practice. All ECM's who are bringing Communion to the sick and homebound will be obliged to register themselves and the communicant at the parish office at (204) 233-7367. Before each Mass, the registered ECM will place the pyx on the credence table. After the Communion prayer (closing prayer), Father Chris will invite the designated ECMs to come forward to receive their pyx. For questions or concerns, please call John at (204) 257-8353 or Carla at (204) 237-7707.



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HCP FUNDRAISING CONCERT:

In order to continue to serve those in need at the Food Bank, as well as ourselves, we continue to **fundraise** for renovations to our Parish kitchen and hall. **You can**

help by purchasing tickets for our upcoming **FUNDRAISING CONCERT** on **April 15th, 2018**, given by Father Robbie McDougall on piano and Claudine St-Arnauld on violin. Buy for yourselves, or for friends and family! Tickets are available at the parish office, or by calling Cecile at (204) 253-9735 or Caroline at (204) 237-6177.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time - January 14, 2018

“Jesus turned and saw them following him and said to them, What are you looking for?” John 1:38

What are you looking for? Are you wasting your time looking for the material comforts of the world? Or, is your heart longing for something deeper that can only be found by spending time with God? Take time, each day, in silence and ask the Lord what it is that He wants you to do.

PARISH COLLECTIONS

PARISH COLLECTION: January 6 - January 7

Mass Time	Loose	Envelope	Total
Sat. 5:00 p.m.	168.55	(23) 500.00	668.55
Sun. 7:45 a.m.	227.20	(21) 625.00	852.20
Sun. 10:00 a.m.	146.80	(34) 709.00	855.80
Sun. 12:00 p.m.	275.10	(18) 370.00	645.10
			3,021.65
Pre-Authorized Donations			
*45 registered donating on different schedules, spread over all Masses			452.50
TOTAL			3,474.15

Every man shall give as he is able, according to the blessing of the LORD your God which He has given you.

Deuteronomy 16: 17

THE WEEK AHEAD

Mon. Jan. 15	T.O.P.S.	6:15 p.m.
	Women's Fellowship	7:00 p.m.
Tues. Jan. 16	HCP Hot Button topics Mini Series	7:00 p.m.
Wed. Jan. 17	Children's Atrium	9:30 a.m.
	CWL Wind Up Dinner	6:00 p.m.
Thurs. Jan. 18	Children's Atrium	4:30 p.m.
	Youth Group	7:00 p.m.
	R.C.I.A.	7:30 p.m.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

- Holy Rosary will be prayed daily at 7:15 a.m. (Mon - Sat)
- Divine Mercy Chaplet will be prayed daily after the 7:45 a.m. Mass (Mon - Sat) & at 9:45 a.m. (Sunday)
- Novena to OLPH will begin on the 2nd Wednesday of each month following the 7:45 a.m. Mass
- 1st Friday, 1st Saturday & 3rd Friday Devotion will be prayed following the 7:45 a.m. Mass

Saturday, January 13: SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00 p.m. + Dale Swirsky by sister Sharon

Sunday, January 14: SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

- 7:45 a.m. + Clifford Wiebe by the Norwood Knights of Columbus
- 9:45 a.m. Recitation of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy
- 10:00 a.m. + Dale Swirsky by Avril Jacob
- 12:00 p.m. + Dale Swirsky by sister Gail

Monday, January 15

7:45 a.m. + Jim & Monica Dangerfield by the Culley/Dangerfield family

Tuesday, January 16

- 7:45 a.m. + Joseph Dzydz by the Culley/Dangerfield family
- 7:00 p.m. Medjugorje Prayer Group

Wednesday, January 17: MEMORIAL FOR ST. ANTHONY

- 7:45 a.m. + Lorraine Dejonckheere by Edouard Prairie
- 7:00 p.m. Emmaus Prayer Group

Thursday, January 18

7:45 a.m. + Lorraine Dejonckheere by Edouard Prairie

Friday, January 19

- 7:45 a.m. Herminia Clemente Manansala by Lorraine Lavack
- 7:00 p.m. Family Adoration

Saturday, January 20

7:45 a.m. Herminia Clemente Manansala by Lorraine Lavack

Saturday, January 20: THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00 p.m. + Lori Ann Waldbauer by Christine Ross

Sunday, January 21: THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

- 7:45 a.m. For the Intentions of All Parishioners
- 9:45 a.m. Recitation of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy
- 10:00 a.m. + Wayne Hamel by Claire Chenier
- 12:00 p.m. Fr. Joseph Gyamfi by Charles Prefontaine

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