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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

Wednesday

8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.

Saturday

8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. &
4:00 p.m. - 4:45 p.m.

*It is okay to approach the priest for individual confession after morning Masses, but please 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

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME • July 8th, 2018

Anointing of the Sick

Deacon Gilles Urquhart

"Is anyone among you suffering? He should pray. Is anyone in good spirits? He should sing praise. ¹⁴ Is anyone among you sick?^[1] He should summon the presbyters of the church, and they should pray over him and anoint [him] with oil in the name of the Lord, ¹⁵ and the prayer of faith will save the sick person, and the Lord will raise him up. If he has committed any sins, he will be forgiven." (James 5:13-15)

Healing of the sick is seen throughout the ministry of Jesus. The healing power of Jesus not only points to the reality of his divine nature but also to God's compassion for the suffering.

We saw this in last week's Gospel (Mark 5:21-43) when Jesus heals the little girl and the older woman. Jesus takes the little girl by the hand and the older woman touches the hem of his garment. These gestures are sacramental in nature because of the physical touch that takes place to bring about healing.

The Church continues the healing touch of Jesus in the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. In this sacrament the priest brings to us the healing and merciful presence of Christ the Healer.

The old name for this sacrament was "Extreme Unction" the emphasis had been on anointing those preparing for their imminent death. In the liturgical renewal of the liturgy at Vatican II the Church has stated that it is not necessary to be knocking on heaven's door to receive this sacrament.

In fact, there has been a broader opening up of this sacrament to any who wish to receive this Anointing. As we see in the ministry of Jesus himself, his compassion for the sick was to all sorts of sick not only those who were at the point of death. In my own opinion, our wider view of who may receive Anointing of the Sick is supported by the very ministry of Jesus himself. The Lord's compassion is extended to all.

In our own parish of Holy Cross we have regular times when people may receive this Sacrament. Twice a month there is a Mass with Anointing of the Sick, one at the Mass for the Friends of the Holy Eucharist gathering and the second time on the First Friday of Month at the morning Mass. These are times when we can avail ourselves of the Lord's healing presence in the Eucharist, of course, and in the Anointing of the Sick.

In today's Gospel we see that Jesus is unable to heal very many people in his hometown. They took offense at him and had a complete lack of faith in Jesus.

Faith does have a role to play in the healing ministry of Jesus. How many times in the Gospels does Jesus say to people: "Your faith has made you whole." Or other times it is the faith of parents or friends that bring about a healing. Today's Gospel shows how a lack of faith hinders healing.

But this faith is not magic.

Our faith is not to be placed in the goal of being "healed" rather we are to put our faith in the **person** of Jesus Christ. Once we place our faith in HIM then we can trust him in the manner in which he heals us. Healing always, always comes with the Presence of Jesus Christ in the sacraments. The very touch of Jesus heals us deep within, especially of our sins.

Never underestimate Jesus' power to heal even if it is after a period of redemptive suffering:

By the grace of this sacrament the sick person receives the strength and the gift of uniting himself more closely to Christ's Passion: in a certain way he is consecrated to bear fruit by configuration to the Saviour's redemptive Passion. Suffering, a consequence of original sin, acquires a new meaning; it becomes a participation in the saving work of Jesus. (CCC 1521)

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Ezekiel 2.3-5

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 12.7-10

Gospel: Mark 6.1-6

ANNOUNCEMENTS

JULY PAPAL PRAYER INTENTIONS

EVANGELIZATION: Priests and their Pastoral Ministry:

That priests, who experience fatigue and loneliness in their pastoral work, may find help and comfort in their intimacy with the Lord and in their friendship with their brother priests.

***NO MASSES ON SUNDAY, JULY 15:** Please note that there will be no Sunday Masses at Holy Cross Parish on July 15th, due to the 200th Anniversary of the Diocese of St. Boniface. For those unable to attend the outdoor Mass at the St. Boniface Cathedral on Sunday, July 15th, there will be a 5:00 p.m. Mass on Saturday, July 14th at Holy Cross Parish.

PARKING IN FRONT OF CHURCH: Please do not park in front of the Church during construction, as your vehicles may be in the way.

FRONT STAIRCASE CONSTRUCTION: Construction began on the front staircase on Monday, June 25th. There will also be repair work done to the small staircase. Construction is expected to take approximately six to eight weeks and will involve taking down sections of the retaining wall. Please exercise caution around these areas and avoid going into the construction area. The front doors will remain locked during the construction. Thank you for your patience.

HELP WANTED AT 5:00 P.M. MASS: We are looking to employ the help of one or more parishioners who would be willing to perform setup duties for the 5:00 p.m. Saturday Mass at Holy Cross. Charlie Lyon has done an EXCEPTIONAL job in carrying out these duties for decades, but he is now ready to step back. Would anyone who is willing to be trained in this, please submit an application letter to the Parish Office?

PARISH OFFICE SUMMER HOURS: During the summer months (July and August), the Parish Office will be closed in the afternoons and on weekends. Summer hours are: **Monday to Friday: 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.** Regular office hours will resume on Tuesday, September 4th.

MEDJUGORJE PRAYER GROUP: Please note that the prayer meeting in July is cancelled. The next prayer meeting will be on Tuesday, August 21st at 7:00 p.m. in the Church. All are invited!

FALL BIBLE STUDY: The Evangelization Team is planning to run a Bible study this fall, most likely on Tuesday evenings. It will be facilitated by Jeremy Gerbrandt, our dynamic team member who put on the popular Christmas Mission last year. We want to get some feedback on what you would like to study. Gospels or Epistles? Old testament or new? Kings, Song of Songs? Other suggestions? Please email Marianne at bertsavard@yahoo.com with your suggestions **before** August 25th.



200TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS: JUBILATION - SUNDAY, JULY 15TH

In celebration for the 200th anniversary of the Diocese of St. Boniface, there will be a day of Jubilation on **Sunday, July 15th**. The celebrations will include a **Mass for the entire Diocese at 11:00 a.m. outdoors at the St. Boniface Cathedral**. All Sunday Masses in the diocese will be cancelled so that we can come together to celebrate our faith as a community.

Schedule of Events:

9:30 a.m. Historical Re-enactment of the arrival of Bishop Provencher at Joseph-Royal Park, Taché Ave and Provencher Blvd

Historical dress welcome

11:00 a.m. Solemn Mass presided by Cardinal Gérald Cyprien Lacroix*

Bring a lawnchair; limited seating provided

1:00 p.m. Afternoon of multicultural and family activities
Children's entertainment, crafts and games, multicultural dance performances, bands, Manitoba Living History Society encampment, choirs, beer garden, food trucks, street performers, USB Alumni Rendez-Vous

7:30 p.m. Thank you - Megwetch for Humanity - Merci*
Broadcast performance inspired by the Seven Teachings of the First Nations peoples

Featuring: Tom Jackson, Brad Roberts, Zachary Richard, Connie Kaldor, Heather Bishop, les soeurs Campagne, Martha Wainwright, World Village Music Choir, Luc De Larochelière and more!

Please don't forget about us on July 15th! While there will be no Sunday Masses at Holy Cross on this day, we still rely on the Sunday collections to keep the lights on. We hope that you will still use the July 15th collection envelope and drop it in the collection basket the week prior to or after July 15th.

Thank you for your continued generosity!

NET YOUNG MISSIONARY SUPPORT: Hello church family, my name is Dominique Gougeon-Gagnon, you may know me from the 10:00 a.m. Mass. I'm very excited to announce that this coming year I will be serving as a missionary with NET! NET is a beautiful ministry where for 10 months I'll be sharing the love and mercy of Christ while encouraging youth across Canada to embrace the life of the church. In order to serve them successfully, I will need most importantly your prayers, and secondly your financial support. We're asked to raise \$6,500 to help offset the cost of the mission. If you have any questions please feel free to talk to me or contact me via email at smileygougeon@hotmail.com or phone me at (204) 254-4659. The website for sponsorship/online dona-

tion is: <https://www.netcanada.ca/support-a-missionary/dominique-gougeon-gagnon>
Thank you so very much for your constant support on this mission!

CATHOLIC SCHOOL OF EVANGELIZATION, ST. MALO CAMP FUNDRAISING: Hello church family, my name is Muna Chira. My sister Chizzy and I are asking for your support towards raising funds for the Catholic school of Evangelization in St. Malo. Last year was our first camp experience in Canada and it was wonderful. Being only new in the country, we were welcomed into the faith family at camp and we made wonderful friends, while developing our faith. This year we have both been accepted as counsellors and our goal is to inspire young people to grow in their personal relationships with God through our leadership, and to offer a fun faith camping experience. We would like to ask you to consider supporting this ministry as a valuable tool for evangelization for young people. Your prayers and financial support are extremely valuable to us and to the campers. Tax receipts will be issued for donations of more than \$10.00. My phone number is (204) 509-8822 and my email is muna_chira@yahoo.com
 Cheques to support us could also be made out to and sent to the Catholic School of Evangelization. Donations can be dropped off at the Parish Office during summer hours.

SUMMER HOLIDAYS ARE ALMOST HERE - PLEASE DON'T FORGET US! The Church continues to operate during the summer months and still needs your support. **Consider giving your Sunday offerings before you head out to enjoy your holidays!** There are several ways you can do this: you can leave us your post-dated cheques in your Sunday envelopes or by dropping them at the Parish Office or make your donations via **pre-authorized debit**, directly through your bank account. For more on this program, please visit our Parish website at: holycrossparish.ca and click on the 'Give online' section or email us at office@holycrossparish.ca for a sign-up form. Thank you for your continued support and have a happy and safe summer!

PARISH COLLECTIONS				
PARISH COLLECTION: June 30 - July 1				
Mass Time	Loose	Envelope	Total	
Sat. 5:00 p.m.	79.00	(18) 390.00	469.00	
Sun. 7:45 a.m.	152.45	(25) 763.00	915.45	
Sun. 10:00 a.m.	201.90	(25) 469.00	670.90	
Sun. 12:00 p.m.	200.10	(15) 310.00	510.10	
			2,565.45	
Pre-Authorized Donations				
*46 registered donating on different schedules, spread over all Masses			1,467.50	
TOTAL			4,032.95	

THE WEEK AHEAD

Mon. Jul. 09	T.O.P.S.	6:15 p.m.
Wed. Jul. 11	Building Committee Meeting	7:00 p.m.
Sat. Jul. 14	Jesus Youth Meeting	6:00 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, July 7: FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00 p.m. Marie Thorimbert by her family

Sunday, July 8: FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

- 7:45 a.m. Intentions for early morning mass attendees & priests by Marthe Wolensky
- 9:45 a.m. Recitation of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy
- 10:00 a.m. + Liberty Abdon by the family
- 12:00 p.m. + Lucy Dolorosa by the family

Monday, July 9

7:45 a.m. + Mary Klein by Carla & Georges

Tuesday, July 10

7:45 a.m. + Deceased siblings of Lorraine Bouchard by Henri & Lorraine Bouchard

Wednesday, July 11: MEMORIAL FOR ST. BENEDICT

7:45 a.m. + Marcel Baudry by Aurele & Caroline

Thursday, July 12

7:45 a.m. Special Intentions by Evangeline Fraser

Friday, July 13

7:45 a.m. + All Priests' Souls by the Verrelli family

Saturday, July 14

7:45 a.m. Claire Chenier by Betty Man

Saturday, July 14: FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00 p.m. Marie Thorimbert by her family

Sunday, July 15: FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

- 7:45 a.m. NO MASS
- 10:00 a.m. NO MASS
- 11:00 a.m. 200th Anniversary Celebration Outdoor Mass at St. Boniface Cathedral
- 12:00 p.m. NO MASS

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