

July 24, 2022

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C) Gn 18:20–32 Col 2:12–14 Lk 11:1–13



The Power of Prayer

"I pray for you." What a simple promise. When we make this promise, what do we expect it will accomplish? The sentence is really a statement of faith. It assumes a caring relationship between us and those for whom we pray. It presumes the other person trusts that we do care. Most importantly, it acknowledges there is so much we humans cannot achieve by ourselves, and so we turn in confidence to God that our needs are the concern of God as well.

Today's first reading is the startling account of Abraham's prayer for two sinful cities. He pleads with God to spare them for the sake of any righteous citizens found there. God is willing to do that if righteous citizens can be found. Abraham prays for people who do not deserve God's mercy. But there it was. God's mercy outstrips the most horrendous crimes. Abraham kept pleading, and God kept saying, "All right."

The same persistence in prayer is found in the Gospel passage. The message there? Keep at it. We don't know whether the praying will end as Abraham's did or like that of the determined friend in the Gospel. That's not our concern, because the way prayer is answered belongs to God, not to us. So then why pray if we can't be confident about the answer? Because we believe we are connected to each other, and together we stand in need before a loving God who wants the best for us.

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

FOR Reflection

- * How often do you promise: "I'll pray for you"? How often do you keep that promise?
- * What do you hope prayer will accomplish?

You have received a Spirit of adoption, in whom we cry, Abba! Father!

WELCOME TO THE GOOD SHEPHERD PASTORAL UNIT

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MASS TIMES-WEEK OF JULY 25-31, 2022			
St. Bernard's	Monday @ 9:30 AM		
	Thursday @ 9:30 AM		
	Friday @ 9:30 AM		
	Saturday@ 4:00 PM		
	Sunday @ 11 AM		
St. Vincent	Sunday @ 9 AM		
St. Clement's	Saturday @ 7:00 PM		

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION/CONFESSION		
St. Bernard's	Saturday @ 1:00 - 1:30 PM	

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Friday: 9 AM – 12 noon

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 25-31, 2022				
Mon.	July 25	9:30 AM	Late Helen Coster	Bill & Linda Fitch
Thur.	July 28	9:30 AM	Late Donna Hines	Brian, Helene & family
Fri.	July 29	9:30 AM	Late Heather Dearden	Nancy & family
Sat.	July 30	4:00 PM	For the People	
Sun.	July 31	11:00 AM	Anniv. late Mary Louise Leger	Lorenzo & family

OFFERINGS					
JULY 16 & 17, 2022 OFFERINGS RECEIVED BY MAIL & ONLINE					
Envelopes	\$	6,596.67	Loose	\$	160.65
Building Fund	\$	40.00	Capital Fund	\$	2,498.33
Easter	\$	50.00	Karing Kitchen	\$	28.35
Thank you for your generous and continued support!!!					

In Sympathy	A time to mourn Sincere sympathies to the families of:			
Marc Joseph Corn	nier Husband of Doris, father of Cathy, Helen & Grant			
Trevor Johnson	Husband of Charlotte, father of Drew, McKenzie and Aly			
Theresa Tran	Sister of Anna			
Jackie Mayo	Wife of (late) Gilbert, mother of Kelly, aunt of Marcia			
And to all who mourn the loss of a loved one				

Prayer Request

Ecclesiastes 3...

Under every season there is a time... A time to heal. We remember in our prayers those who are sick...

Beth Purcell	Marcelline Lokoka	Cheryl Allerston	
Yolanda Sagion	Richard Moore	Ida Caruso	
Louise MacGregor	Lois Gallie	Bill Pellerin	
Daniel Roch			
And for all who care for them.			



During the summer months church contributions normally decrease while parishioners are travelling and vacationing. However, the expenses to run our church remain constant and increase as necessary maintenance/repairs are completed. Please give consideration to "making up" your missed contributions. Or if you prefer to **donate online**, you are invited to register on our **Pre-Authorized deposit donation**. Do give us a call in our parish office @ 857-0425 and we will guide you on how to do it. Thank you for your continued generosity!!! God Bless!



No Scent Policy

Out of respect for those with sensitivities, please avoid wearing scented products in the Church, Parish Office & the Church Hall. Thank you.



Prayer of the Faithful

For the church, in need of our prayer. For the ordained and the lay people who will lead us forward.

We pray

For those who do not know how to pray or have no community to pray with.

We pray

For those called to lead and enrich the prayer of the community.

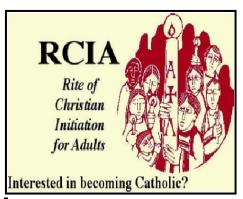
We pray

For catechists and parents who are teaching our children how to pray.

We pray

For all of us to be aware that we might be the answer to a prayer for someone in need.

We pray



Do you believe? About Jesus? About the Sacraments? About Salvation? Interested in becoming Catholic?

Then please feel welcome to join the RCIA team (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults and Children) here at St. Bernard's.

The RCIA team here at St. Bernard's exists to welcome individuals who are wondering about the

Roman Catholic Church and to help them in their search for spiritual guidance and a sense of church community. We also welcome those Catholics who haven't yet completed their preparation for Confirmation and Eucharist and wish to do so. Whether adult or child inquirer, candidate or catechumen, the team provides the elements for preparation including prayer, reflection on the Sunday liturgy of the Word, education about our faith and mutual support during the ups and downs of our individual journeys of faith. If you know someone who is thinking of becoming a member of the Catholic Church, please invite him or her to call the parish office at 857-0425 for more information on RCIA.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Carmelites	2 nd Sat. of month, 9:00 -11:00 AM	Meeting Room
Prayer Group	2 nd Sat & last Sat. of each month @ 7 PM	Church Hall
RCIA	Will resume in the fall	Stage Area



We are happy to have you join us! Are you new to the parish or have you been part of our community for awhile but have just never registered?

There are registration forms available at the entrances to the church, at your parish office, on our web site (www.stbernardschurch.ca) or just give us a call and we'll mail you one. Fill in the information, return the form to the office and you will be formally registered. This will help us to better serve your individual needs!



Papal Visit to Canada - Walking Together

Pope Francis will make a pastoral visit to Canada from July 24 to 29, 2022. The Pope's visit will provide a unique opportunity for him, once again, to listen and dialogue with Indigenous Peoples, to express his heartfelt closeness and to address the impact of colonization and the participation of the Catholic Church in the operation of residential schools throughout

Canada. The papal visit will also provide an opportunity for the shepherd of the world's 1.2 billion Catholics to connect with the Catholic community in Canada.

As we prepare to welcome Pope Francis to Canada, Catholics across the country are invited to participate in this historic journey in various ways. In addition to television coverage of the papal visit events, visit www.visitepapale.ca or www.papalvisit.ca to access more than ten live streaming links with interpretations in many languages (including Indigenous languages), as well as live streaming links from Vatican TV with commentary.

The Salt and Light Catholic Media Foundation has a website dedicated to information and broadcast details of the papal visit – www.slmedia.org/fr/papeaucanada (French) or slmedia.org/popeincanada (English).

I invite you to pray for the Holy Father and all those participating in this historic journey of healing, reconciliation, and hope. Archbishop Valéry Vienneau



There is a promise of marriage between:

Richard Evers & Angela Legere

Friday, July 29, 2022 @ 7:00 PM at St. Bernard's



During Fr. Charlie's vacation, there will be no Saturday confession on July 30 & August 6, 2022.







From the Office of Evangelization and Catechesis

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World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly

Sunday July 24th marks the Second World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly and Pope Francis has named this year's theme "In old age they will still bear fruit" (Ps 92:15), which intends to emphasize how grandparents and the elderly are a value and a gift both for society and for ecclesial communities. In the words of Pope Francis, "The World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly is an opportunity to proclaim once more, with joy, that the Church wants to celebrate together with all those whom the Lord - in the words of the Bible - has "filled with days". Let us celebrate it together!" For more information on the World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly, contact the Office for Evangelization & Catechesis or visit the official website http://www.laityfamilylife.va/content/laityfamilylife/en/eventi/2022/ii-giornata-mondialedei-nonni-e-degli-anziani.html

Mondays @ The Movies

Monday @ The Movies is a group that meets regularly to discuss faith connections in popular movies. Our next movie discussion will take place on Zoom on Monday, July 25th at 10:30 am when we will talk about the (2004) independent comedy, *Napoleon Dynamite*. For more information or to register, contact Trevor.

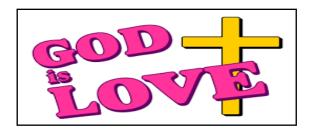


Congratulations and best wishes to Ross & Sharon Burnett

on their 53rd wedding anniversary God bless and all the best to both of you.



Congratulations and best wishes to: Lorette Lavigne On the occasion of her 93rd birthday





Dear Padre,

My good friend is converting to Catholicism and learning things that I, a cradle Catholic, never knew. Why wasn't I taught these things? I'm embarrassed that a convert knows more than me.

atholics receive most of their religious education as children. Even at the high school level, teachers are not able to explore religious topics with the same breadth and depth that occurs during the Order of Christian

Initiation of Adults (OCIA) formerly known as RCIA. The Bible, for instance, is taught to children as stories, but adult faith requires us to read and understand Scripture as more than a story.

Adults learn differently from children; adults ask different questions. The facts and contents remain the same, but it's not



possible for your early religious education to have the same content and depth as that of an adult who is converting to Catholicism.

Most Catholic parishes need a faith-formation program for adults who want to take their faith to a deeper level. If yours doesn't offer adult-education programs, many publishers offer programs that can be used for individual study. Let your own interest and curiosity be your guide.

Fr. Rick Potts, CSsR Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org

Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to DearPadre.org to send your question and to learn more about Dear Padre.



A WORD FROM Pope Francis

Is your faith, is my faith tired? Do you want to reinvigorate it? Look for God's gaze: sit in adoration, allow yourself to be forgiven in confession, stand before the Crucified One. In short, let yourself be loved by him. This is the starting point of faith: letting oneself be loved...by he who is Father.

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Calendar

Monday

JULY 25 St. James, Apostle 2 Cor 4:7–15

Mt 20:20-28

Tuesday

JULY 26

Sts. Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Jer 14:17-22

Mt 13:36-43

Wednesday

JULY 27 Weekday

Jer 15:10, 16–21

Mt 13:44-46

Thursday

JULY 28 Weekday

Jer 18:1–6

Mt 13:47-53

Friday

JULY 29 Sts. Martha, Mary,

> and Lazarus Jer 26:1–9

Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

Saturday

JULY 30 Weekday

Jer 26:11–16, 24 Mt 14:1–12

Sunday

JULY 31

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Eccl 1:2; 2:21–23 Col 3:1–5, 9–11

Lk 12:13-21



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