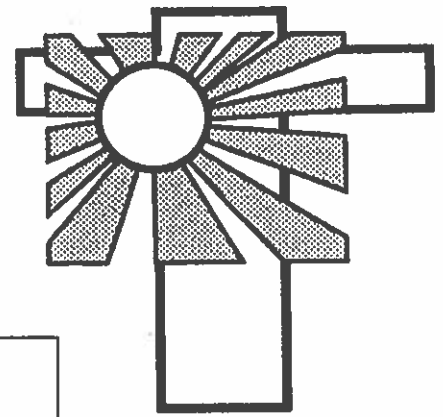


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JULY 9, 2017
FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

TABLE OF THE WORD FOR JULY 16, 2017 FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



FIRST READING (Isaiah 55.10-11): *The rain makes the earth bring forth and sprout. This wonderful passage from Isaiah about the power of God's Word is also heard at the Easter Vigil. When the rain and snow fall to the earth, they make something happen: plants and trees and all creatures live and grow. That is what God's Word is like: it is effective, making things grow and change in us, achieving what God wills.*

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Ps 65.9abcd, 9e-10, 11-12, 13): *The seed that fell on good soil produced a hundredfold. Psalm 65 is a beautiful song of God's care for creation, echoing the natural imagery of the First Reading.*

SECOND READING (Romans 8.18-23): *Creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God. God does not care only for human beings, but for all of his creation, and all of creation has a share in the redemption of the world through Christ. Through our Baptism, we are already God's children, set free from our slavery to sin, but we have received only "the firstfruits," not the fulfillment of all God's promises. All of creation is in this waiting mode, and we look to a time when not only ourselves, but the whole world, will be redeemed.*

GOSPEL (Matthew 13.1-23): *Listen: A sower went out to sow. Today's long Gospel gives us the familiar parable of the sower followed by Jesus' explanation of the parable to the disciples. When the disciples ask Jesus why he speaks in parables, he responds in words that are like another parable: "To anyone who has, more will be given and he will grow rich; from anyone who has not, even what he has will be taken away." The imagery and language of the parable is like a veil, which both conceals and reveals the shape beneath. It is not enough to hear the Word, the seed. We must also be receptive to it, welcoming God's Word and seeking understanding: when we do this, God opens our minds and grants us wisdom – makes us rich.*

Source: From the 2017 Sourcebook for Sundays, Seasons, and Weekdays by Liturgy Training Publication

REFLECTION

In today's Gospel, we hear Jesus calling "Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest." Familiar to the idea of burdensome farm work under the scorching heat of the sun or even in bad weather, Jesus called on those working in God's vineyard to rest. Jesus was aware of the weight connected to energy-draining ministries; he helped the workers avoid burn-out by offering them the experience of soothing rest. Jesus advised his disciples: "Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves, for my yoke is easy, and my burden light." But what sort of yoke was Jesus talking about? What yoke did he have?

Today, when Jesus invites you and me to take up such a yoke, we must keep in mind that it is Jesus and no other who is our yoke-mate. He is just asking each of us to team up with him. To take the yoke from Jesus is to unite ourselves with him. Pulling the weight alone is so difficult. Jesus is with us all the way to the finish so that none ends over-fatigued or burnt-out. In other words, if his yoke is to be understood as the sum of all Christian responsibilities and duties, then ours is not a burden too heavy to carry but a burden that is easy and light.

Jesus invites his disciples, who have been working for him all the time, to come to him that he may give them rest. The invitation is not given to those who do not labor for him and are never burdened because they are always on vacation or on leave. Jesus does not give special treatment to people who are lazy and do not lift a finger to help the poor. There is no rest for those who are always looking for relaxation; after all, they do not need Jesus' offer to unwind with him.

Jesus has a great heart for the hardworking, those who sacrifice their money, time and talent to spread God's Kingdom. He has compassion for people who experience discouragement because of him. They are good mission partners. Jesus entitles them to godly relaxation and rejuvenation. After all our work is his work and his mission is also our mission. The question now is "Are we yoked with Jesus Christ?"

Source: The Word In Other Words Bible Diary 2017 & 365 Days with the Lord 2015

MASS SCHEDULE

Sat. July 8 th	Mass	5:00 pm	+Cornelio Omega Sr. by Cornelio Omega, Jr.
Sun. July 9 th	Mass	9:00 am	+Liz Koley by Bernard Koley & Family
Sun. July 9 th	Mass	11:30 am	For the needs and intentions of his parishioners by Fr. Rodrigo
Tue. July 11 th	Mass	7:00 pm	+Marie Nagel by Mary Wirth
Wed. July 12 th	Mass	6:30 pm	For the needs and intentions of his parishioners by Fr. Rodrigo
Thu. July 13 th	Mass	9:00 am	For the needs and intentions of his parishioners by Fr. Rodrigo
Fri. July 14 th	Mass	9:00 am	For the needs and intentions of his parishioners by Fr. Rodrigo
Sat. July 15 th	Mass	5:00 pm	Special intention by Bridget McCormick
Sun. July 16 th	Mass	9:00 am	+Germain Cormier by Barry & Pauline Breiter
Sun. July 16 th	Mass	11:30 am	For the needs and intentions of his parishioners by Fr. Rodrigo

MASS INTENTIONS can be requested not only for someone who has died, but also in thanksgiving or celebration. The donation is \$10 with the money given to the priest for his charities. Please contact the office to make arrangements.

CONFESSION: Fr. Rodrigo will hear Confessions on Tuesdays at 6:00 pm prior to the start of the 7:00 Mass, and at other times upon request.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE for July 15 -16, 2017

DATE	MASS COORDINATOR	HOSPITALITY	LECTOR	COLLECTION	GIFTS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	CROSS & CANDLES
July 15 5:00 pm	Nep Cacho	Linda Rivers Celia Fortaleza	Emy Cacho Naty Dinulos	Arsenia Lingga Margareth Santos	Zaida Manahan Criselda Lomerio	Need Someone Victoria Arambulo	Gaby Deacosta Need Someone Need Someone
July 16 9:00 am	Cyd Avendano	John Neufeld Doris Neufeld	Paul Iचना Pam Shaw	Bill Duynisveld Elsie Duynisveld Michelle Owens Claire Vandersteen	Ron Aminot George Moyan	John Vandersteen Fred Bosko Joan Bosko Betty McDowell	Bea Aldea Raphael Cristobal Regina Cristobal
July 16 11:30 am	Loule Torres	Mags Ramos Malou de Vera Erico Aupe Erica Aupe	Gabriel Avendano Arnold Andes	Maria Andes Arian Andes Joel Galang Noreen Reyes	Elsie Ramos Joseph Ramos	Antonio Barrientos Paula Granger Darren Yarechewski Aurora Pravidó Carol Engstrom Estrella Gadlan	Gabriel Sanchez Jon Gamones Jen Gamones

Weekly Cash In-Flow & Cash Out-Flow (July 2, 2017)

Saturday Collection (5:00 pm)	\$ 626.00
Sunday Collection (9:00 am)	\$ 1,853.35
Sunday Collection (11:30 am)	\$ 885.15
Hall Rental	\$ 200.00
Catechism	\$ 95.00
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TOTAL WEEKLY CASH IN-FLOW	\$ 3,659.50
Less: Estimated Weekly Average Cash Out-flow	\$ 5,441.00
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DEFICIT FOR THE WEEK	(\$ 1,781.50)
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STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

July 9, 2017 - 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"For my yoke is easy, and my burden light." Matthew 11:30

When we think of being good stewards, we may think that God is asking too much of us when He calls us to generously share our time, talent and treasure. However, we must remember that we are not "owners" of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts God has given us. All He is asking is that we give back a small portion of what He has already given to us.

May we remember in our prayers

Simone Aminot	Marcel Tkachyk	Lucy Baniuk
Roland Bonin	Pedro Gregorio	Pedro Tiangson
Tanis Finney	Elda Giancola	Nancy Ilagan
Jennifer Graham	Chamika Livera	Rosa Maria Santos
Louie Torres	Ranjith Kahatapitiya	
Lucia Yanga	Madeline Brennan	
Domíngua Tiangson		

Please call the office at 204-224-1669 ext. 5 to add or remove people on our prayer list.



POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR JULY 2017



Evangelization:

That Christians in Africa, in imitation of the Merciful Jesus, may give prophetic witness to reconciliation, justice and peace.

PARISH LIFE PAGE

Liturgical Worship Ministry:

Email: liturgyblesseds@mymts.net

Parish Facebook: www.facebook.com/blessedsparish.ca

Coordinator of Religious Education: Ronald A. Suban

Email: catechismblesseds@mymts.net

Youth Ministry Coordinator: Paula Granger

Email: youthblesseds@mymts.net

Youth Facebook: www.facebook.com/blessedsyouth

Catechism Classes for Kindergarten to Grade 6
Saturday Morning from 9:15 – 10:45 am



Youth Group for Grades 7 – 12
Wednesday Evening from 6:30 to 9:00 pm

JULY BLESSINGS DURING MASS

Blessing of all parishioners celebrating their wedding anniversaries in July

July 8th & 9th

Blessing of all sick parishioners

July 15th & 16th

Blessing of all souls in purgatory

July 22nd & 23rd

PRAYER GROUP CORNER



The Prayer Group meets every Friday evening in the Parish Centre at 7:30. Come experience a deeper relationship with Our Risen Lord Jesus through teachings, songs, worship, community and the spiritual gifts. Individual healing prayers are always available.

Are you feeling the brokenness and bondages of life? Come meet Jesus who breaks our chains and sets us free.

GIFTS OF THE SPIRIT - An 8 week video series by Fr. Peter Coughlin begins June 2, 2017. All will be welcome for this practical teaching.

Don't leave home without HIM

Contact Bob Milks for information and questions at 204-294-5562

PARISH LOAN BALANCE

Please be informed that as of June 26, 2017 our loan balance is now \$179,676.65. We would like to take this opportunity to thank all parishioners for your support and generosity. God loves a cheerful giver!

FOOD BANK



Please remember to bring a non-perishable food items for the Transcona Food Bank each week when coming to church. Transcona Food Bank is short of can items and pasta. Winnipeg harvest is not supplying these items to our food bank as they are also short of these items. Monetary donations may be placed in an envelope marked "Food Bank" and put in the collection. **THANK YOU.**

A BIG THANK YOU!

The Parishioners of the Blessed Sacrament Parish would like to thank *Fr. Udoka Christopher Nwosu, Fr. Tomy Chittinapilly* and *Fr. Michael Ngwuagwu* for celebrating masses while Fr. Rodrigo is on holiday. Thank you very much for sharing your time with us. God bless you always!

CATECHISM REGISTRATION FOR 2017/2018

Forms are available at the back of the church or from the Parish Office and once completed may be returned there.

Early registration is available until May 31st for \$60 per family. Beginning June 1st the full fee of \$70 per family will be charged. In addition, there is a \$25 workbook fee per child.

Sacramental Preparation fees are extra.

Families should familiarize themselves with the Diocesan Policy regarding ongoing catechesis and Sacramental Preparation. Visit the Blessed Sacrament website for more information or contact the Coordinator of Religious Education

NEW COORDINATOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



Please welcome **RONALD A. SUBAN** as our new Coordinator of Religious Education.

RONALD officially takes over *Friday, September 1st*

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

Every so often a parish is blessed with a devoted worker who puts his/her heart and soul into his/her efforts. We at Blessed Sacrament Parish have been privileged to have such a person in our midst. Unfortunately, she has decided to take a well needed and deserved retirement effective June 30, 2017.

Janice Cummine, our Coordinator of Religious Education has decided to pass the opportunity to serve to someone else. It is with sincere best wishes that we bid Janice abundant blessings and heartfelt thanks for all the ways she has left her indelible mark of caring on our parish's programs. Her busy presence whenever and wherever she was needed and always with a broad cheerful smile will be greatly missed.

Janice, there is no adequate way that we can thank you properly for all the ways you have lovingly applied yourself to all the tasks you found before you and to thank you for all the lives you touched with your own special style. May God bless your future as much as you have blessed us over these wonderful years you have worked with us.

Not only have you inspired others to serve our parish, but you inspired *Gordon* to help in many supportive ways. Your team spirit was a beautiful example to all who witnessed it. **AGAIN, THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS YOU ALWAYS!**

PARISH SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING MEETINGS/EVENTS

Sun. July 9 th	Baptism	11:30 am
Tue. July 11 th	House Blessing	11:00 am
Thu. July 13 th	Admin Board Meeting	7:00 pm
Fri. July 14 th	Prayer Group	7:30 pm
Sat. July 15 th	Praise & Worship (El Shaddai)	7:00 pm
Tue. July 18 th	Devonshire Ministry (House 1)	10:00 am
Wed. July 19 th	Mass @ Park Manor	9:45 am
Fri. July 21 st	Prayer Group	7:30 pm
Sat. July 22 nd	Wedding	1:00 pm
Thu. July 27 th	Baptismal prep-seminar	7:00 pm
Fri. July 28 th	Prayer Group	7:30 pm
Sat. July 29 th	Wedding	2:00 pm

BULLETIN BOARD

Please remember to check the Church Bulletin Boards for more notices & information about items in the bulletin.

MARRIAGE TIP

Husband and wife are meant to lead each other to heaven. What have you done today to enrich your spouse's spiritual life?

TWITTER @ PONTIFEX

07/02/2017

How beautiful it is to see when young people are "street preachers", joyfully bringing Jesus to every street and every corner of the earth!

07/01/2017

A Christian's mission in the world is splendid, it is a mission intended for everyone, it is a mission of service, excluding no one!

06/30/2017

To defend human life, above all when it is wounded by illness, is a duty of love that God entrusts to all.

06/30/2017

There is great need to feed Christian hope, which gives us a new view capable of discovering and seeing the good.

06/29/2017

May we entrust ourselves to the intercession of Sts. Peter and Paul in order to give witness to God's liberating action on us.

SYNOD 2018

Youth, Faith and Vocational Discernment

Keep your eyes open! Next week, there will be information about where to answer the questions or how to involve your parish in answering the questions for the Synod. Pope Francis says: "The Church has decided to examine herself on how she can lead young people to recognize and accept the call to the fullness of life and love, and to ask young people to help her in identifying the most effective ways to announce the Goods News today." It's up to us to answer! For questions or information: mgrenier@archsaintboniface.ca.

'A JOURNEY INTO EXILE': An Evening of Awareness

Thursday, July 13, 2017

The evening, 'A Journey into Exile', an exercise to raise awareness about the reality of a life in exile experienced by refugees around the world, will be led by Norbert Piché, who is country director with Jesuit Refugee Service-Canada. The evening will be held on Thursday, July 13 at 7 PM, Kateri Hall, Archdiocese of Saint Boniface Pastoral Centre, 622 Taché Avenue, Winnipeg. The participants will be divided into 3 groups representing the 3 main regions from which refugees come (Africa, Middle East, Central America and the Caribbean). To learn what happens to refugees in various situations, participants will be asked questions and then perform certain actions to help them experience what refugees go through, for example: fleeing to Europe or North America; living in refugee camps in neighboring countries; living as urban refugees in neighboring countries; actual refugee testimonies will also be read. At the end, participants will be asked to share what they felt throughout their experience living in exile as a refugee. For more information: Louis Balcaen, 204-424-5434, lbalcaen@gmail.com.

OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday: 7:00 am - 12:00 noon

Wednesday: 7:00 am - 12:00 noon

Thursday: 7:00 am - 12:00 noon

Friday: 7:00 am - 12:00 noon

PARK MANOR PERSONAL CARE HOME HAS SOME VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES WAITING FOR THE RIGHT PERSON

URGENTLY NEEDED:

Volunteers are needed for Hymn Sing between 6:30 pm and 7:30 pm Friday evenings. Every Friday evening we provide a Hymn Sing for our residents at Park Manor. During the summer months we have some of our regular volunteers take some time off. If you are interested in leading a hymn sing, orientation and instruction will be provided.

OTHER VOLUNTEER NEEDS:

- * 2 Volunteers needed for Tuesday Evening Entertainment
- * Wednesday Travel Games Program
- * 2 Volunteers needed for Wednesday afternoon Music Program
- * Friday Beauty Club Assistants need to help with manicures
- * 1 Volunteer Monday Evening Word Games/Trivia

For more information on any of the above or something else, please call Michelle Willman at 204-222-3251 ext. 228, or E-mail at mwillman@parkmanor.ca

CANOE/CAMPING TRIPS THIS SUMMER

You are 13 years old or older? You want a challenge while having fun? You are interested in an adventure, in a 3 to 6 day canoe trip with wilderness camping every night? Fr. René Chartier plans to undertake a few canoe trips this summer. There are possibilities for types of trips: the route, level of difficulty and length of the trip will be determined by those interested. For more details and information: Father René Chartier, rccanots@live.com or 204-883-2658.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY-CONCORDIA HOSPITAL SPIRITUAL CARE

Matt 5:4 God blesses those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

The Bereavement Care Program of Concordia Hospital is urgently seeking volunteers who are able to provide telephone grief support ministry, to family members of people who have died at the Hospital. This is an ideal opportunity for a person with a health care, ministry or counseling background. If you are interested in learning more about this opportunity, please contact Bob Milks at 204-661-7402, email bmilks@concordiahospital.mb.ca.

NEW PARISHIONERS: Welcome to your new Church Community!

Please complete this form and place it in the collection basket, or call the Parish Office at 204-224-1669 Ext 5

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

Postal Code: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____

_____ Please register me (us) as member(s) of Blessed Sacrament
_____ Wish to have Church Envelopes

We would appreciate notification of Parishioners who have a change of address.