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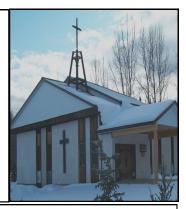


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July 23rd, 2017 — 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Week Mass Times 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday 22nd 5:00 pm Intentions of our Parish
Sunday 23rd 9:00 am †Michelangelo &Concetta Sia
†Necitas Sasing Ramos

Monday 24th 9:00 am Mass

Tuesday 25th 9:00 am Mass **note new time

Wednesday 26th 9:00 am *Mass*Thursday 27th 11:00 am *No Mass*

Thursday 27th 11:00 am No Mass Friday 28th 9:00 am No Mass

Saturday 29th 5:00 pm †Manuel & Cecilia Garcia Sunday 30th 9:00 am †Necitas Sasing Ramos †Walter Bucher Senior

†Victorino Pacheco

Ministry Schedule July 29 & July 30,2017 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

DATE Saturday, July 29 Sunday, July 30 Casey & Alice **GREETERS** Dan & Yarah Ford Nilda Hudson denBoer Mary Vandermaal **LECTORS** Volunteer needed Kristi Pederson Vigil Overstall David Schwab **Extraordinary** Al Bruintjes Tina Gemmell Ministers of Tina Bruintjes Volunteer needed Communion Mary Stroet ALTAR SERVERS Volunteer Servers Volunteer Servers

COLLECTION REPORTS

<u>July 15th &16th, 2017 – 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time</u> Church \$1270.35 School \$5.00 Diocesan Appeal \$ 150.00 Roof \$7325.00

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for their independence.

LET US PRAY FOR:

Debbie, Leland, Maurice, Owen, John, Adrian, Barb, Nelson, Tristan, Ryan & Little James *BC FIRES—How TO HELP: Please go to the Diocesan Website www.pgdiocese.bc.ca to find ways to donate, volunteer and stay informed.



On July 30th following the Sunday Mass, St. Anthony's will host a Farewell Party for Fr. Pier. All are welcome!

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Ministry Schedule SUNDAY July 30, 2017 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

GREETERS	Volunteer needed
LECTORS	Volunteer needed
EMC	Volunteer needed
ALTAR SERVERS	Volunteer needed
GIFT BEARERS	Volunteer needed
COLLECTION COUNTER	Volunteer needed
CHURCH CLEANING	Volunteer needed

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We pray for the Sick:

Joan, Glenn, Leonie, Ken, Devynn, Dorothy, Denise, Sara, Bob, Helen & Harry, Reginald, Juanito, Kelda, Shaylyn, Max, Rufina, Apolinario, Pol and Tony

God chooses us: Today we are presented more insights about God, the kingdom of heaven, and what is expected of us.

The overwhelming message is that God is all about power, justice, lenience, kindness and most of all, love. We are offered endless opportunities to hear and respond to God, but nothing matches God's efforts to claim us. God chooses us, sends help on our behalf, and invites us into a reign of love and peace beyond all measure. As God chooses us, so we learn to choose one another. **Homework:** Read up on a topic where people had to fight for their freedoms: slaves, child-labor, women to vote, indigenous cultures, any country

UPCOMING EVENTS:

July 30 St. Anthony's will host a **Farewell Party for Fr. Pier** beginning at 12:30pm

Aug 1 Rev. Fr. Fernando Cleopas OSA arrives in Smithers.

DIOCESAN EVENTS

SUMMER OFFICE CLOSURE: DIOCESAN PASTORAL CENTRE will be closed from Monday, July 17 to Friday, August 11, 2017 inclusive. Regular working hours will resume on Monday, August 14, 2017.

PARISH EVENTS

WELCOME TO OUR NEW SECRETARY—MARY SPICER

A long time parishioner and involved with parish ministry, Mary brings with her a knowledge of the parish, an involvement in her faith, and skills to fulfill the office secretary role. Mary will be in the Parish Office Wednesday, Thursday, and Fridays.

BIBLE SHARING

To resume after the summer in September 2017

PROLIFE EVENTS:

PROLIFE NEWSLETTER: the JUNE issue is available on the Social Justice Bulletin Board; contains a good article on staying focused.

ARPA Event: July 26, 8pm, Evening with Conservative MP's,

The Smither's ProLife Society supports the efforts of ARPA (political action to effect change in issues regarding life.) Conservative MP's Arnold Viersen and Bob Zimmer will discuss their activities which include Motion 47 regarding pornography. It is an informal evening with questions welcome. Venue: home of Jeremy Penninga.

DONATIONS OF MATERNITY CLOTHES are being requested by the Prolife Society as they stock the Care Center with much needed clothing; donations can be dropped off at the Church Office

CAMP MORICE: SUMMER CHILDREN AND FAMILY CAMPS

From bulletin board in foyer, take a schedule of the camps; upcoming weeks include Kids Camp (July 23-28); Tween Camp (July 30—Aug 4). Visit the website at www.campmorice.com

IGNITE - POWERFUL YOUTH CAMP

See letter on bulletin board or contact www.f2f.ca/ignite/.

CANADA 150 – PSALMS 150

To celebrate that Canada is 150 years old, there is pray, read or sing a psalm-a-day from July 1 to November 27. Use a translation of your choice or follow the daily psalm prompts on the website www.providencerenewal.ca. Make the challenge work for you.

What have Catholics contributed: Archbishop Fulton Sheen once said, "There are not even 100 people in this country who hate the Catholic Church, but there are millions who hate what they think the Catholic Church to be." 3. Philosophy and theology: Catholicism regards philosophy as intrinsically good and was largely responsible for founding theology, the application of reason to what has been revealed supernaturally; too many contributions from Augustine (d 430), Aquinas (d 1274), Scotus (d 1308), and recently Edith Stein (d 1942). On the basis that God is a God of reason and love, Catholics have defended the irreducibility of the human person to matter, the principle that created beings can be genuine causes of their own actions, free will, the role of the virtues in happiness, objective good and evil, natural law and the principle of non-contradiction. These principles have had an incalculable influence on intellectual life and culture. Future areas will include optics, science, philosophy, education, law, music, architecture, literature, language.



Catholic Women's League

The Catholic Women's League is the largest national organization of Catholic women in Canada. It has been going strong in most parishes across Canada since 1920 and here at St. Joseph's since June 1946. The Catholic Women's League is all about family. We actively fight for the rights of women and families at all levels of government, passing resolutions and working hard to understand and then act on complex political and social issues that affect all Canadians. As well, through fundraising activities, we support many groups that embody gospel values.

Knights of Columbus Fr Callaly Council 7973 Transforming Lives Through Mobility

The Knights of Columbus in partnership with the Canadian Wheelchair Foundation are raising funds to purchase wheelchairs for distribution to the disabled in developing countries and Canada.

Fr. Callaly Council pushed a wheelchair from Smithers to Houston on July 15 & 16 to raise awareness of the needs of the physically disabled who are often forgotten and out of sight. The event provided an opportunity for businesses and individuals to donate to the <u>Canadian Wheelchair Foundation</u> (tax-deductible). For more info please contact Paul Fradette 250 846-9844 or Jim Schwab 250 847-3408.

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