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Finding God in All Things

22nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
September 2, 2018

GOD WORKS THROUGH US

When we hear the word "Sacrament", we usually think of the traditional seven sacraments and how God works through them in our lives. But we live in a sacramental world, where God can act through all of creation, through all of our relationships and activities. We are called by our Baptism to be signs of God's love and compassion in the world, as Sister Kathleen Hughes, RSCJ, talks about in her book, "Becoming the Sign".

God is present to humankind and we respond to God's grace through the ordinary and everyday life in the world. In other words, God's Spirit and humankind work together through nature and creation, through culture and society, through our minds and bodies, hearts and souls, through our labors and efforts, creativity and generativity, in the depths of our own being and in the community of others, through the events and experiences that come our way, through what we are doing and what is "going on" around us, through everything and anything of life. Life in the world is sacramental—the medium of God's outreach and human response. (p. 60)

When we hear the word, "vocation", (coming from the Latin word, "vocare" to call) we often think of the narrow meaning of this word, the vocation to the consecrated life, to the priesthood and religious life. But Blessed Archbishop Oscar Romero, martyr, tried to teach his flock that everyone's work is "priestly work", that everyone has a vocation to be a sign of God's love.

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How beautiful will be the day when all the baptized understand that their work, their job, is a priestly work, that just as I celebrate Mass at this altar, so each carpenter celebrates Mass at his work bench, and each metalworker, each professional, each doctor with the scalpel, the market woman at her stand, is performing a priestly office! How many cabdrivers, I know, listen to this message there in their cab: you are a priest at the wheel, my friend, if you work with honesty, consecrating that taxi of yours to God, bearing a message of peace and love to the passengers who ride in your cab. (p. 62-63.)

We are all called by our Baptism to be signs of God's love on the altar of our lives.



SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY September 9, 2018

You could read/discuss/pray with your family, with friends or by yourself.

First Reading: Isaiah 35:4-7

Second Reading: James 2:1-5

Psalms: 146

Gospel: Mark 7:31-37



OUR 'PIUS' SMILE

An old, tired-looking dog wandered into the yard. I could tell from his collar and well-fed belly that he had a home.

He followed me into the house, down the hall, and fell asleep on the couch. An hour later, he went to the door, and I let him out. The next day he was back, resumed his position on the couch and slept for an hour. This continued for several weeks.

Curious, I pinned a note to his collar: "Every afternoon your dog comes to my house for a nap."

The next day he arrived with a different note pinned to his collar:

"He lives in a home with four children -- he's trying to catch up on his sleep. Can I come with him tomorrow?"



JESUIT NEWS

This coming week, we welcome Fr. Erik Oland, SJ, Provincial of our Jesuits of Canada for his annual visitation to our parish and other Jesuit apostolates in St. John's from September 6 - 9, 2018. Fr. Oland will be the Celebrant at our 11 am Mass next Sunday, September 9, 2018.

MASS, CONFESSIONS AND PARISH OFFICE SCHEDULE RESUME

Mass and Confession Schedule

The regular schedule of Monday and Tuesday evenings 7:30 pm Masses will resume Tuesday, September 4, 2018.

Tuesday evening confessions will resume Tuesday, September 4, 2018 at 6:40 pm.

Parish Office Hours Schedule

The regular Parish Office hours will resume Tuesday, September 4, 2018, 9 am - 4:30 pm Monday to Friday.

Please note that the Parish Office will be closed Monday, September 3, 2018 in observance of the Labor Day holiday.



SAINTS SPEAK

Prayer is continual abandonment to God. Prayer does not mean asking God for all kinds of things we want; it is rather the desire for God Himself, the only Giver of Life. Prayer is not asking, but union with God. Prayer is not a painful effort to gain from God help in the varying needs of our lives. Prayer is the desire to possess God Himself, the Source of all life. The true spirit of prayer does not consist in asking for blessings, but in receiving Him who is the giver of all blessings, and in living a life of fellowship with Him.

Sundar Singh (1889-1929)

Indian-Canadian missionary, spiritual writer

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Bursting with Joy

What should you pray about?
When you're not sure, ask God
to help others see Jesus in you.

That's a prayer God will always
answer: God can help you show

his love, care and kindness to others, even
when you don't feel loving toward them.

When you treat others well, you'll be filled
with a wonderful joy. You'll feel so terrific,
you won't be able to hold it inside. You'll
want to share it with everyone around you!

**When I share God's love with each girl and
boy,**

God fills me up with his wonderful joy.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

August 11 and 12 \$3,094.86

Envelopes 2,590.00

Loose 504.86

August 18 and 19 \$3,539.80

Envelopes 3,124.00

Loose 415.00

August 25 and 26 \$4,718.75

Envelopes 3,930.00

Loose 788.75

Thank you for your continued generous
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65th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Congratulations and prayerful best wishes to Pat and Kay Wadden, who recently celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary.

“IGNATIUS LOYOLA AND YOU”

Fr. Eric Jensen, SJ (Guelph, ON) invites the reader to reflect upon his/her life experience, in light of St. Ignatius' experience, coming to know the Holy Spirit at work in our lives. One sample reflection question: “Would you describe any part of your life as a seeking or searching for something?”

This book is available for sale in the Chapel area.

MERCY CENTRE FOR ECOLOGY and JUSTICE NEWS

Season of Creation

You are invited by Pope Francis to take time during the Season of Creation (September 1 - October 4, 2018) to become more aware of the beauty and importance of the natural world in our lives as well as for the obligation we have to preserve it.



Paul, Apostle of Christ

The movie, Paul, Apostle of Christ, was released last spring but was not shown in St. John's. BUT you can see it on Sunday, September 16, 2018 at 7 pm here at St. Pius X Church. Free admission.

“Paul, Disciple of the Risen Lord: A Guide for Our Time?”

This is the theme of our Parish Mission, being offered on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, September 22, 23 and 24, 2018, 7 - 8:15 pm here at St. Pius X Parish.

The facilitator will be Sr. Teresita Kombeitz, O.S.U. a well known, highly qualified Scripture scholar, and experienced mission and parish retreat director.

Paul faced challenging times and so do we. Hopefully, Paul will be our guide.

BEREAVEMENT INFORMATION AND SUPPORT GROUP

Eastern Health's Pastoral Care and Ethics Department invites people grieving the loss of a loved one to join an 8-week Bereavement Information and Support Group beginning September 20, 2018.

Sessions are held Thursday afternoons from 1:30 – 3:30 pm at the Health Sciences Centre.

For more information and/or to register, please contact the Pastoral Care Office - 777-6959 or Scott Parsons - 777-7611.

Calendar of Services and Mass Intentions

Sun.	Sept. 2	8:30 am	Mass	22 nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
		11:00 am	Mass	22 nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Mon.	Sept. 3	9:30 am	Mass	Leo Keough
		1:00 pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - Chapel	
		2:50 - 3:05 pm	Divine Mercy Chaplet - Chapel	
Tues.	Sept. 4	9:30 am	Mass	Hilda and Edward Wellman
		7:30 pm	Mass	Mike Jones
Wed.	Sept. 5	9:30 am	Mass	Mary, Aiden and Isabel Woodford
Thurs.	Sept. 6	9:30 am	Mass	Leonard and Mary Madden
Fri.	Sept. 7	9:30 am	Mass	Mary Flynn
Sat.	Sept. 8	9:30 am	Mass	Agnes Ryan Kelsey
		4:45 pm	Mass	23 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sun.	Sept. 9	8:30 am	Mass	23 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
		11:00 am	Mass	23 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

GONZAGA JESUIT COMMUNITY IN RESIDENCE

Fr. William Browne, SJ , Br. Joe Frechette, SJ Fr. Joe Mroz, SJ,

Fr. Joseph Schuck, SJ, Mr. Raj Vijayakumar, SJ

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Saturday: 3:30 - 4:20 pm
Tuesday: 6:40 - 7:20 pm

TIMES OF MASSES: Monday to Friday: 9:30 am and 7:30 pm
Saturday: 9:30 am and 4:45 pm; Sunday: 8:30 am and 11 am

OFFICE HOURS: Monday - Friday: 9 am - 1 pm

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