

July 2, 2023: 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Jesus said to his Apostles: “Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up their cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Whoever finds their life will lose it, and whoever loses their life for my sake will find it.

“Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet’s reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple – truly I tell you – that person will not lose their reward.”

- Matthew 10:37-42

We read today’s Gospel in the context of last week’s Gospel in which Jesus sent the twelve disciples to proclaim the kingdom of heaven. In between last week’s reading and today’s reading, Jesus has predicted that the disciples will face difficulties in their mission. Many people will not receive them well, even within the land of Israel. Even family members will turn away from the disciples because of the disciples’ commitment to Jesus and the kingdom. Today’s Gospel offers the disciples consolation against this difficult truth.

This section of Matthew’s Gospel should be read in the context of Matthew’s intended audience, a Jewish-Christian community. The Gospel alludes to the dangers and persecutions that this community has most likely already faced and will continue to face. To reassure this community, Matthew recalls for them the encouraging words of Jesus that we read today.

In this Gospel passage, Jesus might be understood as putting suffering in perspective. The disciples of Jesus are called upon to keep their focus on God. Those who can harm the body do not have ultimate power; God does. Still persecution and suffering can not be avoided or prevented. But Jesus reassures his disciples that God knows and cares about what happens to his children.

We might not face the same type of persecution, but we do experience difficulties as we endeavor to live a Christian life. Sometimes we let the opinions of others prevent us from doing what we know to be right. We need the reminder that what God thinks about us is more important. We are reassured by the promise that God cares for us and protects us.

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Sacred Heart Parish

A Stewardship Parish in Union with Christ



Parish Information

Pastor: Rev. Lee Lainey (beginning August 1st, 2023)

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Weekend Masses:

Saturday 4:30 pm, Sunday 11 am

Mass During Week:

Wednesdays and Thursdays at 7 pm.

Daily mass is cancelled any day schools are closed due to bad weather.

Lohnes Complex

First Fridays - 2 pm at the Lohnes Complex.

Bible Study:

Post-poned until further notice.

Holy Hour of Adoration:

Post-poned until further notice.

Reconciliation:

By request.

Marriages:

Six months’ notice required. A year’s notice is recommended.

Baptisms:

Please call the Parish Office to schedule preparation session.

Family Connections:

At www.rcchurch.com you will find a link to family connections.

St. Vincent de Paul:

To assist those in need. Call 638-9010.

RECEIVED WITH THANKS

June 24th – June 25th, 2023

Regular Sunday	\$1469.95
Loose Offering	260.00
Building Fund	95.00
Votive Candles	14.75
Bingo Proceeds	235.00
Baptism Fees	50.00
Pope’s Pastoral Works	20.00
St. Vincent de Paul	140.00

MASS INTENTIONS

Wed. 7 pm	Late Kitty & Roger Colbourne
Thur. 7 pm	Late Mary Payne
Fri. 2 pm	No Mass at Lohne’s Complex
Sat. 4:30 pm	Late John Hearn Late Percival & Mary Joyce
Sun. 11 am	Parish Community

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

July 8	
John Carroll	Eileen Moore
July 9	
Calvin Gillis	Donna Mitchell
Communion to the sick – Joan Penney	

COFFEE TIME: Our Parish Outreach Committee will continue coffee time after masses on Sunday mornings. Come join us for a cup of tea or coffee and maybe a little snack. This is the time to share with your brothers and sisters and also welcome new members.

PARISH OUTREACH: This committee, consisting of, Marie Pennell (709-388-5090), Gerard Deveaux (709-638-4411), Pat Moore (709-785-2440), and Tony Griffin (709-632-5755) are offering to bring communions and provide a pastoral visit to those who wish to have this ongoing contact. They are also exploring social activities for the parish as a whole. Please support them in their efforts. Please call them if you or a family member wish to avail of this service.

BINGO DRAW: Thanks so much to the following parishioners who gave to our June Bingo. They are as follows: Debbie Allen, Linda Cashin, Gertrude Daye, Veronica Hickey, Bob Musseau, Kay Musseau, Valerie O’Connor, Margie Pennell, Marie Pennell, Joan Penney, Mary Jo Perrett, Kim Preston, Karen Roche, Annette Rowsell. Bernice Rowsell, Brian Sparkes, Mona Specker, Tom Quigley, Veronica Stone, Linda Tarbett, Derm Traverse and Rita Woodman. Thanks to all who donated to our Bingo Draw. May everyone have a safe and happy summer.

CEMETERY MASSES:

Mt. Patricia Cemetery - Monday, July 24th at 7:00 pm, **Townsite Cemetery** - Tuesday, July 25th at 7:00 pm, **Mount Cecilia Cemetery** (Sacred Heart Parish) Monday - July 31st at 7:00 pm, **Old RC Cemetery** - Benoit’s Cove - August 1st at 7:00 pm. In the event of rain, the mass will be held at the respective churches.

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LABRADOR: “Dear Fr. Lee Laniey; By virtue of this letter, I appoint you as Pastor of Sacred

Heart Parish, Curling, and Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish, Benoit’s Cove, effective on **August 1st, 2023** with all the faculties, duties, and rights and privileges accorded by the norms of law. Thank you for your generous service to the people of Holy Redeemer Cathedral, All Hallows and St. Brendan’s Chapel, and pray that the next few weeks will be marked by fond farewells as well as time for rest and relaxation. Please be assured of my prayers during this time of transition, and my support in your ongoing ministry”. -Bishop Bart van Roijen

FEAST OF ST. ANNE EUCHARISTIC

CELEBRATION: July 26th is the Feast of St. Anne and the Corner Brook Aboriginal Women’s Association and the Benoit’s Cove Native Women’s Association will take a special role in preparing for and celebrating this feast. This mass will take place at **5:00 pm at Sacred Heart Parish with Bishop Bart van Roijen** as Presider. Both Women’s Association, in traditional regalia will provide hymns and songs. Following the Mass there will be a feast at St. Mary’s Church Hall. All are welcome to attend.

ALZHEIMER SOCIETY-Family Support Group:

is held the Last **Wednesday** of each month at **3:00 pm** at the **Corner Brook LTC**.

HUMOUR: