

September 25, 2022: 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

“But Abraham replied, ‘Son, remember that in your lifetime you received your good things, while Lazarus received bad things, but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. 26 And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been set in place, so that those who want to go from here to you cannot, nor can anyone cross over from there to us.” Luke 16:25

Today’s readings tell of a reversal of fortunes. They tell us that God will upset our notion of how the world should work. Those who have plenty will suffer. Those who suffer will know fullness of life. Jesus makes this point in a way which is particularly easy to understand. And this is a message he returns to over and over again in his teaching. Riches, esteem, and the things of this world must not distract us from serving God and his people. The rich man was so focused on his own comfort that he did nothing to help the starving Lazarus whom he saw every day. He should have known better. The law given in the Old Testament made is clear that caring for those in distress needs to be a priority. We also need to be detached from worldly goods in order to serve God. When our own comfort is our priority, then we are really just serving ourselves. Jesus calls us to join him in this mission of mercy because he wants us to know the true joy which comes from doing the Father’s will.

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A major theme in the Gospel of Luke is the importance of the care of the poor in the life of discipleship. In the parable found in today’s Gospel, Jesus contrasts the life of a rich man and the poor man, Lazarus, who lives in the shadow of the rich man and his wealth. Both die. Lazarus finds himself in heaven; the rich man in the netherworld. The rich man asks for assistance from Lazarus in his torment. But Abraham reminds the rich man of the good things he had in his life and describes the current situation as a reversal of fortunes. The rich man then asks that Lazarus be sent to warn his family, but this is denied with the reminder that Moses and the prophets have warned of judgment for those who neglect the care of the poor.

In the context of Luke's Gospel, this parable, delivered in the presence of a crowd of listeners, is part of Jesus' response to some Pharisees. These Pharisees are described in Luke's Gospel as “loving money.” (Note: The Pharisees were followers of a sect of Judaism active before, during, and after Jesus' lifetime. They taught an oral interpretation of the Law of Moses as the basis for popular Jewish piety. They put less emphasis on Temple worship and more on applying the law to everyday life. Though they are often portrayed negatively in the Gospels, they shared many of Jesus' and the early Church's concerns about the law.) Jesus observed that the actions of some Pharisees betrayed misplaced priorities: they spoke one way, but acted in another. The story of the rich man and Lazarus demonstrates the importance of the care of the poor and is a reminder to those who would follow Jesus of the unimportance of wealth in the eyes of God.

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Sacred Heart Parish

A Stewardship Parish in Union with Christ

Parish Information

Pastor: Monsignor Jim Robertson

Office Administrator: Joseph Stany Moothedan

Office Hours: Tuesday and Thursday: 8:30 am – 4:30 pm

Friday: 8:30 am- 12:30 pm

Office closed September 30th for National Truth and Reconciliation Day.

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Weekend Masses:

Saturday 4:30 pm, Sunday 11 am

Mass During Week:

Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday at 7 pm.
Friday at 10 am.

Lohnes Complex

First Fridays - 2 pm at the Lohnes Complex, **closed to public.**

Bible Study:

Cancelled for summer.

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.

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September 17th – September 18th, 2022

Regular Sunday	\$1927.40
Building Fund	185 .00
St. Vincent de Paul	20.00
Solemnity of Mary	10.00

MASS INTENTIONS

Tue.6:30 pm	Late Mary Gallant
Wed. 7 pm	Late Leila Copeland
Thu. 7 pm	Late Helen Quigley
Fri 10:00 am	Intentions of Donor
Sat. 4:30 pm	Late Norman Poole
Sun. 11 am	Parish Community

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

October 1	
Marie Pennell	Eileen Moore Elizabeth Carew
October 2	
Calvin Gillis	Barbara Neville Veronica Hickey
Communion to the Sick – Barbara	

PARISH COUNCIL: The following persons have been nominated for the position on the parish council: Mike Leonard, Gerard Deveaux, Tony Griffin, and Marie Pennell. Ballots are available at the masses of this weekend.

PARISH DUES: Received with thanks from Linda Randell, Eugene Beales, Calvin & Isabel Gillis.

CONDOLENCES: Condolences to the families of the Late Vincent Lewis, Late Michael Hancock, Late Nancy Green, and the Late Edna Carroll. May their souls and the souls of the all faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

BIBLE STUDY: The parish will start the bible study again if there is sufficient interest. Please call the parish office if you are interested in this.

CHILDRENS LITURGY: We are hoping to continue our Children’s Liturgy program. Grandparents and parents are encouraged to bring young children to the masses of Sunday Morning.

RESPONSIBLE MINISTRIES ORIENTATION: As a part of diocesan and parish policy, we are required to do an orientation session on an annual basis for all persons involved in high-risk ministries in the parish. Certainly, all persons exercising ministries are encouraged to take part in this annual orientation and updating. There is a session scheduled for 7:00pm September 27th. This will take place on the diocesan resource center at 469 Curling Street.

POPE’S PRAYER INTENTION FOR SEPTEMBER: For the abolition of the death penalty - We pray that the death penalty, which attacks the dignity of the human person, may be legally abolished in every country

ROOF CAMPAIGN: At the parish council meeting of September 12th, we were advised that the Ladies group and Men’s group will be conducting ticket draws to help raise funds for the roof project. As well it was suggested that we should ask families to make block pledges to help pay for portions of the roof. Like the windows project a few years ago, families will be asked to donate \$1000.00 and their names will appear on a memorial plaque in the church. These and other projects are still being discussed. Thank you for your generosity.

TWO-NIGHT MISSION: Two-Night Mission The Newfoundland Catholic Renewal will be sponsoring a two-night mission with Catholic Evangelist Father Mark Cherry. It will be held on October 18th and 19th at Holy Redeemer Cathedral starting at 7:00 p.m. each evening. Come and be renewed in your faith and receive hope for the future. There will be a free will offering taken up each night to help cover the cost of the mission. All are welcome!

Tuesday evening will consist of praise/worship and a presentation by Fr. Mark Cherry. There will also be a personal testimony of faith, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, and the Sacrament of Reconciliation. On Wednesday evening there will be the celebration of Holy Mass, a testimony of faith at the end of Mass and a prayer for the empowerment of the Holy Spirit. There will be prayer teams available at the end of the night for anyone who would like individual prayer.

” Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord rises upon you,” Isaiah 60:1.

ADVANCE NOTICE: Starting in early October the access road to the Cathedral from Mt. Bernard will be closed due to the ongoing construction on Mt Bernard Ave. Please use an alternate route via Wellington Street to attend mass during this time.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SCHOLARSHIPS: Are available to all students who graduated Grade XII with Honors in June 2022 and are attending a post-Secondary institution in September. Application deadline is October 31, 2022. Information and applications under scholarships on the State Council website at www.kofcni.org

MOUNT PATRICIA FALL CLEANUP: September 24th to October 1st- Flowers and other personal items must be removed from the graves by October 1st. Any items remaining after this date that cause obstruction to the operations of the cemetery will be removed by the cemetery staff.

4YOUTH: “What is a Patron Saint” Patron Saints are special protectors or guardians over any area of life that is important to us, such as occupations, illnesses, churches, countries, causes etc.. Saint Francis of Assisi, for example, loved nature, so he is the Patron Saint of ecologists. We should all have a Patron Saint. Why? For one thing, we can use that saint’s life as an example for our own lives. For another, we can ask for that saint’s life as an example for our own lives or we can ask for that saint’s intercessory prayers to God on our behalf, kind of like asking a friend to pray for us. It would be a good project to do some internet research on Catholic saints and find one that would be a good Patron Saint for you.

