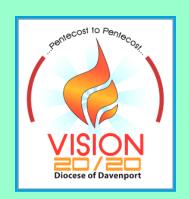
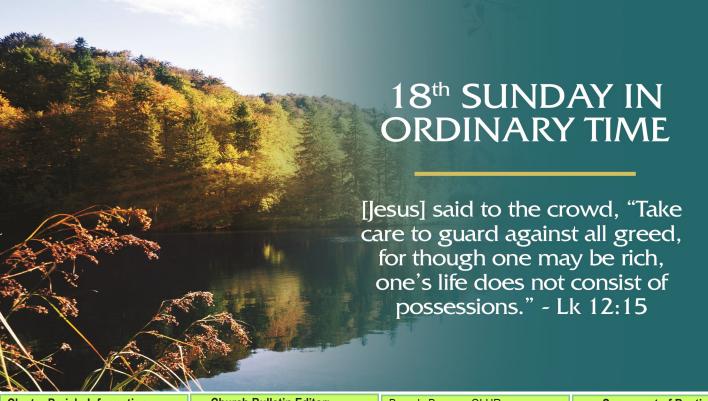
Welcome to the Holy Family Parishes of

Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Parish Lost Nation & Toronto

Sacred Heart Parish ~ Oxford Junction
Ss Philip & James Parish ~ Grand Mound



August 4, 2019 — 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time



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Sacrament of Baptism

Please contact Parish Office to schedule a baptism.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Marriage Preparation at least 90 days prior to your wedding date. Please contact Parish Office.

Pastoral Care

Contact Parish Office for home visits, pastoral needs, Anointing of the Sick, Holy Communion

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Before Mass or call Parish Office for arrangement with Priest.

Catholic Stories of Saints

The Patron Saint of Our Difficult Century is Saint Maximilian Kolbe (1894-1941). He entered the Franciscans at the age of 16 in Poland. In February 1941 was arrested because he was a Catholic priest; by May, he was on his way to Auschwitz. During moments of despair for prisoners, he helped and prayed with his fellow prisoners preparing them for death. In July, a prisoner escaped and in retaliation the Nazi's selected 10 inmates of cellblock fourteen for death.

When one prisoner cried out that he would never see his family again, Fr. Kolbe offered to take his place. Ten men including Father Kolbe were starved to death in an underground bunker. Each time the guards checked on him, Father was standing or kneeling in the middle of the cell and looking calmly at those who entered. After they had been starved and deprived of water for two weeks, only Kolbe remained alive. The guards wanted the bunker emptied, so they gave Kolbe a lethal injection of carbolic acid. Kolbe is said to have raised his left arm and calmly waited for the deadly injection. He died on August 14. His remains were cremated on 15 August, the feast day of the Assumption of Mary.

John Paul II declared him "The Patron Saint of Our Difficult Century" In 1982, Pope John Paul II, who as bishop of Krakow had often prayed at the site of Kolbe's death, presided over his canonization in Rome. Present for the ceremony was the man whose life Kolbe had saved.

Patron Saint of Alcoholics: Venerable Matt Talbot (1856-1925), was one of 12 children born to a poor family in Dublin. His addiction to alcohol began at the age of 12 and became the primary focus of his life. His schooling was slight. He was barely literate when he went to work full-time aged 11 years old. For the rest of his life his occupation was as an unskilled laborer.

By his teenage years, he was hopelessly addicted to alcohol. When he reached the age of 28, he collapsed on the steps of a church, vowing to live a three-month period of abstinence. Every three months he renewed his pledge and remained sober for the next 41 years. He became a Franciscan tertiary, attended daily Mass, prayed half the night and gave generously to charity. In 1925 he collapsed in the street and died and in 1975 he was declared venerable. Not surprisingly, he is the patron of alcoholics. These are his words: "Never be too hard on the man who can't give up drink. It's as hard to give up the drink as it is to raise the dead to life again. But both are possible and even easy for Our Lord. We have only to depend on him." – Matt Talbot

Father Mychal Judge, (May 11, 1933 – September 11, 2001), was a Franciscan friar and Catholic priest who served as a chaplain to the New York City Fire Department. On September 11, 2001, upon learning that the World Trade Center had been hit by the first of two jetliners, Judge rushed to the site. Fr. Judge prayed and ministered to bodies lying on the streets, then entered the lobby of the World Trade Center North Tower, where an emergency command post had been organized. When the South Tower collapsed, debris flew through the North Tower lobby, killing many inside, including Father Judge.

He was widely known for his ministry among the poor and homeless, alcoholics, and people with AIDS. He was also known for his outreach to the gay and other detested communities. Fr. Mychal lived with this simple spirituality: "God is not an obligation or a burden. God is the joy of my life!".

Father Judge's fire helmet was presented to Pope John Paul II. France awarded him the Légion d'honneur. Three people in the Roman Catholic Church called to canonize Judge. The Orthodox-Catholic Church of America declared him a saint. Two people claim miraculous healings through prayers to Judge.

The Father Mychal Judge Memorial in the village of Keshcarrigan, County Leitrim, Ireland was dedicated in 2005, on donated land which had belonged to Judge's ancestors. People from the village and surrounding area celebrate his life every year on the 9/11 anniversary.

The Catholic Exchange



Our Lady of the Prairie Upcoming Retreats

To register contact: 563-336-8414 or olpretreat@gmail.com

Tues, August 6 |9:30am-3:30pm

Knit One, Pray Too

Karen Brooke, Ann Green & Anne Johnson

Seasoned knitters and novices are invited to bring projects for a day of needlework, sharing and praying while enjoying the seasonal serenity of The Prairie. Fee \$20

August 9-11 | Fri 5:00pm-Sun 11:00am

12-Step Centering Prayer Retreat

Rev. Paul Witmer

A time to explore Centering Prayer as an integral part of the 12-step recovery program. Prior knowledge of Centering Prayer or other silent meditation practice is desirable, but not required. This retreat is 12-step supported and will include at least one (open) 12-step meeting. Fee \$125

Wed, August 14 | 9:30am-3:30pm Come to the Quiet: The Way of Love

Pat Shea

Blessed are they that are persecuted for doing right, Jesus tells us, and directs us to Love your enemies and pray for your persecutors. The daily challenges that come to us may seem like persecutions. It is in those times we are called to follow the way of love and to pray.

Fee \$20

HOLY FAMILY CLUSTER NEWS

General Information

Please forward all bulletin information to Colleen Burke beginning July 21. Diana will be gone until 08/15/2019.

Father Francis is taking his annual leave from July 25—August 19. He will be visiting his family in Ghana, meeting the new Bishop of the Diocese of Ghana, and overseeing the Project of Hope water wells project. Contributions from our cluster parishes have funded the installation of water wells. Please take time to pray for Father Francis's safe travels and safe return.

During Father's absence, there will be no daily Mass in our cluster parishes. Please welcome the visiting priests during Father Francis's absence. For your information, a schedule of priests is on the door of each church.

The Knights of Columbus 16694 collected \$950 for the Pregnancy Center. Thanks, everyone, and God bless.

The Knights of Columbus will meet August 14 in Lost Nation.

Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Lost Nation / Toronto

Farm to Table Event

We are in need of helpers and food donations for the Farm to Table Event (Sunday, August 25, 4:00-6:30). Please sign up in the back of the LN or Toronto location and also think about what you can donate to the Farmers Market tent (fresh produce, baked goods, home canning, craft items).

School Supplies Collection

Our Lady of the Holy Rosary will be collecting school supplies during July and August. Toronto school items will be for the Calamus-Wheatland School District, and Lost Nation will be collecting for the Midland School District.



SS Philip & James Church Grand Mound

School Supplies Collection

The Social Action committee annual collection of school supplies is underway until Sunday, August 18 as school begins on August 23. These items will be distributed to the Calamus-Wheatland and Ekstrand Community elementary schools. A basket is located in the vestibule.

August Coffee Hour

The August Coffee Hour will be hosted by the Bill Tague family and assisted by the families of Peter Whitman, Marvin Flammang, Jean Maher, Michael Weih, William Looney, and Marty Traver.

August Landscaping Committee

- Peter & Lydia Whitman
- Josh & Morgan Fox

Fall Religious Ed Program

All children Ages 4 years thru 8th Grade are invited to attend our Religious Ed Program. Classes will begin in September. In order for us to plan for the year ahead, please call or text Maureen Schrader @ 563-370-9545 and provide the name and grade of your children.

Our Church Anniversary

A church anniversary is a reason to celebrate the historical life of a church. If you have "general" photos of past priests, the erection of the current building, or gatherings of our parish in the past 50 years, please contact a committee member and forward a copy for them to display on August 25. Committee members are Paul Rock, Joe Dierickx, Diane Skinner, and Camilla Lancaster.

August 1969 Happenings

Marriages - Leroy Syslo & Joann Otte

Sacred Heart Oxford Junction

August Liturgy Assignments

The sign-up sheet for August liturgy assignments has been posted. A reminder that if you wish to sign up for a certain weekend in September, please do so, otherwise Karen will assign jobs. Thank you to all of you for your continued commitment to helping and volunteering for the various ministries.

Religious Ed Classes

Religious Ed classes are scheduled to begin Wednesday, August 28.

Church Cleaning

Remember that beginning in August, we members will be doing the cleaning inside our church. The supplies have been organized and lists have been made regarding rooms to be cleaned and what needs to be done in each room. These jobs are very similar to the cleaning we would do in our own home. We hope to have full participation from our church family. As we've been saying, this is a work-in-progress. We'll reassess at the end of December, and we'll welcome suggestions and ideas to make the process go as smoothly possible. Nadine will be around to help and guide us through this process.

Fall Festival

SAVE THE DATES: September 14 and 15. Our annual fall festival is coming up on September 15. In August there will be letters going out regarding your jobs and other information. This is a day we really count on all our members to participate, as this is a very important money-making project to help with the many ongoing expenses the church has. September 14 is the kolache baking day, and there will be a sign-up sheet for donations of various supplies needed to make the kolaches. We also count on many of our members to help that day. MORE TO COME!

Sanctuary Guild Meeting

The next Sanctuary Guild meeting is scheduled for August 5 in the church library at 7:00 pm. Serving Committee is Carolyn Zaruba, Glenda Leeper, and Shirly Curley.

PARISH REFLECTIONS 4A

Please pray for...

- Our Lady of Holy Rosary: Jeanene Cavey, Dick Nodurft, Melvin & Irene Duwa, Richard Vens, Steve Benischek
- SS Philip & James Church: Deacon Mike Sheil, Sandy Crosthwaite, Natalie Regan, Elmer Hasenmiller, Grace Kinney, Betty Forret
- Sacred Heart Church: Betty Anderson, Rich Kleineck, Brad Manuel, Dennis Koppes, Wendy Larive, Jerica Christensen, Marilyn Stevenson, Rhonda Murphy



SS Philip & James Church Ministries

August 4th

Ushers: Mark Hahn, Bill Tague, & Paul Rock

Lector: Tom Kinney

Eucharistic Ministers: Bill Tague & Barb Morrissey Servers: Ellen & Olevia Olson, & Isabel Shockey

August 11th

Ushers: Bill Tague, Dick Bumann, & Craig Schanze

Lector: Barb Morrissey

Eucharistic Ministers: Mary Ann Schanze & Jean Moffit Servers: Vivian & Mary Clare Browne, & Ali Swanton

August 18th

Ushers: Roger Green, Mark Hahn, & Joe Dierickx

Lector: Jean Maher

Eucharistic Ministers: Bill Tague & Barb Morrissey Servers: Natalie & Nathan Butler, & Mitchell Maher

August 25th

Ushers: Bill Tague, Phil Butt, & Tom Walter

Lector: Maureen Schrader

Eucharistic Ministers: Maureen Schrader & Jean Maher

Servers: Zachary, Jacob, & Andrew Weih

MASS INTENTIONS 4B

Saturday 08/03/19/Lost Nation

05:00pm Betty Marcucci Sunday 08/04/19

08:00am Grand Mound/Chris Forret

10:00am Oxford Junction/Monk & Marguerite Coon

Monday 08/05/19 No Mass
Tuesday 08/06/19 Grand Mound
08:00am Communion Service
Wednesday 08/07/19 No Mass

Thursday 08/08/19/Lost Nation **No Mass**Friday 08/09/19/Oxford Junction **No Mass**

Saturday 08/10/19 Toronto

05:00pm Deceased Members of the Mangan Family

Sunday 08/11/19

08:00am Grand Mound/Joseph Green

10:00am Oxford Junction/Glen Regennitter

Readings for the week of August 4

Monday: Nm 11:4b-15; Ps 81:12-17; Mt 14:13-21 Tuesday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9; 2 Pt

1:16-19; Lk 9:28b-36

Wednesday: Nm 13:1-2, 25 -- 14:1, 26-29a, 34-35; Ps

106:6-7ab, 13-14, 21-23; Mt 15:21-28

Thursday: Nm 20:1-13; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Mt 16:13-23 Friday: Dt 4:32-40; Ps 77:12-16, 21; Mt 16:24-28 Saturday: 2 Cor 9:6-10; Ps 112:1-2, 5-9; Jn 12:24-26 Sunday: Wis 18:6-9; Ps 33:1, 12, 18-22; Heb 11:1-2, 8

-19 [1-2, 8-12]; Lk 12:32-48 [35-40]

TRANSFIGURATION



