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*The world will change only when the minds
and hearts of men and women change.*

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I am not my own: I have
given myself to Jesus, He
must be my only love.

Image of the Early Church

In his life time, Jesus modelled for us in part, what the kingdom of God would look like, because of what was essential for us to carry within ourselves: the kingdom of God itself. To the degree that we allowed ourselves to be informed by God's Will, then every gesture, thought and word, reflects the Kingdom of God in real time. Jesus consciously and mindfully addressed the temptations of the Dessert as he navigated his life and ministry, especially when it came to setting up kingdoms and having people adore you. He did not over come or vanquish this particular temptation, but was ever able to sense its presence and the desire to establish a foot hold within him and his ministry. What we see in this week-ends first reading, is the continuation of Jesus' vision of the Kingdom of God. We see that it did not end with Jesus' departure (Ascension) but grew and became established as the norm. What we see is the common good being lived out, by those who called themselves followers of Jesus, partakers of "The Way". They chose to share all things in common, assisting those who were in need, considering the good and wellbeing of all their community members, and above all, avoiding the temptation of becoming a world kingdom, wielding power, demanding loyalty, or excluding or punishing non-believers or those who simply questioned. We saw who we were before we became an institution.

Things slowly changed when we realized that Jesus was not returning any time soon. So we gradually introduced, what was believed to be essential and necessary, certain protocols and processes that would ensure uniformity among the many faith communities outside of Jerusalem. We gradually saw the need (perceived or real), to move from a common good model, where everything was shared and nothing was held in private, to becoming more like an organization that took these resources and put them into establishing and the assisting in the growth and the maintenance of these faith communities. As the faith spread throughout the Roman Empire, we gradually moved from the uniqueness of each community being allowed to flourish, under the guidance and inspiration of the Holy Spirit, to one of uniformity and adherence to a single voice coming from Rome. In the year 325 C.E., we moved from being a cult and former sect of the Jewish faith, to now the official religion of the Empire. Some think that it was here where the Church was truly able to flourish and spread, and so it did. Others however believe this is where we lost our way, of following "the Way". While others might suggest, the moment we sacrificed the common good and the care for everyone, we had given into the temptation of being powerful. What Jesus was able to resist and was executed for, it would seem we have not. *pah*

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Food Pantry Donations!
Monthly Food Drive, Tuesday April 20th,
9:30AM—12Noon, Parish Garage



April 11, 2021
Divine Mercy Sunday
He Has Risen!

Mass Schedule Week of April 12th - 18th Easter Week	
Monday 9:00AM	April 12th +Henk Janssen
Tuesday 9:00AM	April 13th +Dave Phillips
Wednesday 11:00AM 12:00Noon	March 14th Exposition /Adoration +Henk Janssen
Thursday 9:00AM	April 15th +Patricia Young
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Saturday 4:00PM	April 17th People of the Parish
Sunday, 9:00AM	April 18th +Dave Phillips
Sunday, 11:00AM (B) (B) Baysville	April 18th +Dr. & Mrs. Kelly
Confessions: Saturday 3:15PM - 3:45PM and by making an appointment	

Let us pray for our loved ones who have died ...

And join our prayers with those who are in need ...

Rebecca Muzzi, Ian Bruce, Bianca Laurie de Hernandez, Joe Hanrath, Pamela Festing, Connie Gregory, John Schreurs, Robert Foley, Ben Boivin, Steven Knox, Ruth Anne Foley, Claudette Mainville, Peter Tompkin, Patricia Quinn, Brian Haywood, Peter Gos, Sam Muzzi, Ed Quinn, Alana Murphy, William Hanrath, Sharon Boivin, Vano Mauro, Marvelle Kostic & Philip Tompkin

If there is someone you would like to have added to our prayer list, please contact the office. Thank you



“Hope has two beautiful daughters; their names are Anger and Courage. Anger at the way things are, and Courage to see that they do not remain as they are.”
St. Augustine

“There is nothing more we need than Divine Mercy - that love which is benevolent, which is compassionate, which raises us above our weakness to the infinite heights to the holiness of God.”
St. Pope John Paul II

Divine Mercy: Challenges What Is Fair

We hear it in the school yards, we hear it in the streets; we hear it in our homes, we hear it on the international stage, we hear ourselves saying it quite often, and it is this ... **that is not fair!** Being fair is a relative and subjective matter. It is always seen from my vantage point, as to how I, or someone I care about is not receiving what they need, or is getting what they deserve or are entitled to. Fairness has nothing to do with Justice, Equality, Peace or the Well-Being of the other. Rather, it is self serving, designed to help me get what I want. Divine Mercy is a challenge to this.

What is Divine Mercy but ...

To be concerned not only for the good and well being of the other, but for all others, at all times and in every situation, con-currently and inclusively.

Divine Mercy challenges anyone’s sense of having a right to execute retribution, punishment, vendettas or grudges against another, because they believe they have been wronged. Divine Mercy is the grace of unconditional understanding placed within our minds and hearts.

Divine Mercy is the unconditional capacity to love the other as other, as they are in that moment. It extends genuine and sincere compassion to the other, so they may knit themselves together with dignity, grace and self-worth.

Divine Mercy is God’s Divine embrace of tender and generous Love of us. It is the free and unmerited gift of God’s Self. It is what forgives, heals, rebuilds and encourages us to first receive it humbly and graciously within, and then to extend this Mercy to all, as gift, from the Divine. pah

Weekend of April 17th/18th			
	4:00PM Mass	9:00AM Mass	11:00AM Mass (Baysville)
Readers	Marguerite Goodfellow	Judith Gottschalk	Diane Poling
Ushers	Laila Etherington Walter Gryns Diana Snowden Victoria Baumgart	Al Kudryk Mary Kudryk Craig Martin Walter Gryns	John MacInnis Jean MacInnis Linda Lacroix Hugh Knox
Counters	Tuesday April 13, 2021	Mary Kudryk	& Gieselle Neigel

Parish Pastoral News

Just a quick update on the state of Covid -19 in Simcoe Muskoka. Those **over 65 years of age may now register for their first immunization online** through the provincial portal at **<https://covid-19.ontario.ca/book-vaccine/>**. **You may also register at Shoppers Drug Mart, 55yrs and older.** The phone line is exceptionally busy. If you are trying to book this way, give me a call and I will book online for you. My phone # is **705-783-4678**. Please try to call before 4:30 pm.

So, what changes after you have the first immunization? In a nutshell, nothing. One dose of vaccine only confers about 65% immunity which means you may still get covid. If you do, your illness will be milder but you can still pass it on to all your friends and family. We need to continue to observe all Public Health Precautions, mask wearing, hand washing, staying home if you are ill, leave home for only essential reasons, for the foreseeable future. We are all in this together! Do not hesitate to call me if you have questions or help. Stay Safe.

Marguerite Goodfellow, RN, Parish Nurse

New To the Parish: We welcome you and look forward to getting to know you. Our contact information is on the cover of this bulletin. Peace and Good Will.

Gratitude

To say this past year, and a bit, has been difficult, would be the understatement of the year. Yes, there have been challenges, disappointments, frustrations and heartaches. How we would have normally responded to everyday occurrences changed over night. The manner in which we greeted our friends and family, spent time with one another, and celebrated life’s most cherished events all had to be curtailed or put on hold. It has not been easy, and if we were all being honest, it has taken its toll on us all. But even in the midst of this turmoil and confusion that we now call the “new normal”, we have persisted, we have learned to adapt, and I hope we are better and stronger for it.

“A small win is a concrete, complete, implemented outcome of moderate importance. By itself, one small win may seem unimportant. A series of wins at small but significant tasks, however, reveals a pattern that may attract allies, deter opponents, and lower resistance to subsequent proposals. Small wins are controllable opportunities that produce visible results.” *Karl E. Weick*

Hot Lunch Tuesday: Will are continuing this wonderful gesture of kindness in our community. Your helpful support will be greatly appreciated. You may drop off your donations to the office or in the **Poor Box** at the entrance of the church. Thank you.

Registration for First Reconciliation/Eucharist: You may go to our website, or contact Rosie at - LPA@stmaryshuntsville.ca.

St. Vincent De Paul Monthly Food Drive: It will be held on Tuesday, April 20th, from 9:30AM - 12noon. You may drop off your non-perishable food items or donations to the Parish Garage, next to the St. Vincent de Paul Office. Thank you for your continued support. Pax

Considering A Parish Ministry? We may be a small parish, but we are mighty! We also have many parish and liturgical ministries. Perhaps you have or are considering joining a ministry or group. You are most welcome to do so. Whether you have been in the parish for years, or new to the neighborhood, we look forward to hearing from you. Check out the cover of the bulletin for various groups and ministries.

You may contact the office by phone, 705-789-2348 or by email: office@stmaryshuntsville.ca. We are the body

Having said that, I wish to express my deepest gratitude for all of you. Not for anything out of the ordinary that you have done, but that in the ordinariness of daily living, you chose to be your best self in spite of the challenges all around you. You have looked out for one another, because within you what remained true and strong, is your love and compassion for the good and wellbeing of others. You made those sacrifices of not connecting with your family, because you wanted them to remain healthy and strong. Your gift of faith you have tirelessly expressed to them, to one another, because at the core of who you are, is the Light of Christ. Shine on brilliantly. Be gentle with yourselves, be kind to yourselves. God loves you as you are. Peace. *pah*

<i>Weekend of April 3/4, 2021</i>
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“The eye through which I see God is the same eye through which God sees me; my eye and God's eye are one eye, one seeing, one knowing, one love.
Wisdom consists in doing the next thing you have to do, doing it with your whole heart, and finding delight in doing it.
All God wants of man is a peaceful heart. “
Meister Eckhart