## July 14, 2024: 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

## **Background on the Gospel Reading:**

This week's Gospel and the one for next week describe how Jesus sent the disciples to minister in his name and the disciples' return to Jesus afterward. These two passages, however, are not presented together in Mark's Gospel. Inserted between the two is the report of Herod's fears that Jesus is John the Baptist back from the dead. In Mark's Gospel, Jesus' ministry is presented in connection with the teaching of John the Baptist. Jesus' public ministry begins after John is arrested. John the Baptist prepared the way for Jesus, who preached the fulfillment of the Kingdom of God.

While we do not read these details about John the Baptist in our Gospel this week or next week, our Lectionary sequence stays consistent with Mark's theme. Recall that last week we heard how Jesus was rejected in his hometown of Nazareth. The insertion of the reminder about John the Baptist's ministry and his death at the hands of Herod in Mark's Gospel makes a similar point. Mark reminds his readers about this dangerous context for Jesus' ministry and that of his disciples. Preaching repentance and the Kingdom of God is dangerous business for Jesus and for his disciples. Mark wants his readers to remember that we, too, may find resistance as we choose to be disciples of Jesus.

Mark's Gospel tells us that Jesus sent out the Twelve. These twelve were selected from among Jesus' disciples and named by Mark in chapter 3. Mark notes that these twelve are also called "apostles." The word apostle means "one who is sent." The number twelve is also a symbolic number, representing the twelve tribes of Israel. By naming twelve apostles, Jesus shows his mission to be in continuity with the mission of God's people, Israel.

Jesus' instructions to the apostles are very specific. He repeats the mission that they are sent to preach and to share his authority to heal and to drive out demons. Jesus sends them in pairs, establishing his mission as a communal endeavor. Jesus also instructs them to travel lightly, without the customary food, money, and extra set of clothes. These instructions mean that the Twelve will be dependent on the hospitality of others, just as Jesus depended on others to provide for his needs.

Jesus continues to send us into the world as his disciples. But like the first disciples, we are not sent alone. Jesus has given us the community of the Church, which strengthens our life of discipleship. The Christian message can only authentically be proclaimed in and through the community of faith that is the Church. In our work with others, we build this community of faith and can invite others to share in it.

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# Sacred Heart Parish

## A Stewardship Parish in Union with Christ



### Parish Information

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Weekend Masses: Saturday 4:30 pm, Sunday 11 am.

<u>Weekday Mass</u>: Tuesday to Friday 10a.m.

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

**Lohnes Complex\*** First Friday of each month - 2 pm

\*Note: No mass at the church on this day.

Bible Study: To resume in September.

Holy Hour of Adoration: Postponed 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 709-638-9010.

## RECEIVED WITH THANKS on June 29 & 30

Regular Sunday	1441.75
Loose Offering	88.65
Building Fund	200.00
Living with Christ	20.00
Votive Candles	25.00
Mass Stipends	20.00
St. Vincent de Paul	45.00

### **MASS INTENTIONS July 16-21**

July 16	Rebecca Cecelia Park	
July 17-19	Deceased Parishioners	
July 20	The Late Brian Griffin	
	& George Hynes	
	The Late Jim Cashin	
July 21	Deceased Parishioners	

#### LITURGICAL MINISTERS

July 20		
Reader	Eucharistic Minister	
Art Hall	Joe Byrne	
July 21		
Reader	Eucharistic Minister	
Victoria Murphy	Elizabeth Carew	
Communion to the sick – Tony Griffin		

## WALK-A-THON: September 21st, 2024

Keep those Shoes handy for our next Fundraiser for our Walkathon.

Starting from: Sacred Heart Church

To: The Rockwall

Back to the Church for Hot Chocolate.

Nothing is finalized yet, but we will keep you posted.

#### **PILGRIMAGE:**

#### **OUR LADY OF LORDES PARISH GROTTO:**

On Monday, July 22nd, 2024 starting at 8am from the church we will be having a pilgrimage to Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Grotto on the Port au Port Peninsula. Rosary will be held in the Grotto weather permitting, followed by Mass inside the Church. Lunch will be held in the Parish Centre and a donation for the upkeep of the grotto will be gladly accepted.

#### **ADVANCE NOTICE - CEMETARY MASSES:**

**Sacred Heart** Cemetery Masses:

Mount Cecelia Cemetery - Curling -Wednesday, July 31st at 7:00 pm. Old RC Cemetery - Benoit's Cove

Thursday, August 1st at 7:00 pm.

**Holy Redeemer** Cemetery Masses:

Mt. Patricia Cemetery – N. Shore Highway
Tuesday, July 23rd at 7 pm.
Townsite Cemetery – Corner Brook
Wednesday, July 24th at 7 pm.
In the event of rain, the masses will be held inside the churches.

## 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 across the road from the Parish. All are welcome to attend.

#### **SAINT VINCENT de PAUL:**

During the month of June, there were 18 grocery deliveries. Many thanks to our phone duty volunteer for the month, Marie Pennell of Sacred Heart Parish and to members who helped deliver the groceries. Total volunteer hours were 104.

June was also another busy month regarding requests for furniture and donations of furniture. 31 furniture deliveries were made to those in need, which included 20 deliveries to households of new Canadians. As well, individuals and families kindly donated 39 furniture items. Total volunteer time amounted to 94 hours.

Mary's Kitchen served an average of 30 clients per week during June. Much appreciation to the CWL for their participation in helping prepare and serve the delicious meals. Total volunteer hours were 105.

We would like to take this time to show our gratitude to non SSVP members who unselfishly give of their time to help us out from month to month. And as always, we are blessed to have such wonderful and caring parishioners who continue to give generously, even in this challenging economic time. You are all appreciated.

## **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

## - WESTERN ZONE HEALTH SERVICES:

Looking for meaningful ways to spend your spare time and feel a sense of purpose? The Western Zone of Newfoundland and Labrador Health Services (Western Health) is looking for volunteers to help out at our gift shops at our long-term care sites in Corner Brook and at the Information Desk at the new hospital.

If you are interested call 709 784 5369 or email volunteerresources@westernheath.nl.ca to find out more. You too will benefit as you will meet new people and experience personal satisfaction.

#### **HOLY REDEEMER PARISH CHASE THE ACE:**

Each Wednesday – Ticket sales start 6:00pm until 7:45pm with a draw time of 8:00pm. You must be present at the time of draw to win! WHERE: Immaculate Heart of Mary School Gym, 112 Humber Rd, CB TICKETS \$2.00 each. Draw of July 10, 2024 Winner – Joan Penney Ticket - 42688 Card drawn- the 10 of Spades 10 Cards remaining. The ACE OF SPADES was not drawn so the progressive jackpot starts at \$25,000.00

50/50 winner was – Jessica Gash -\$1,661. Ticket holder must be present at the time of draw!

#### Reflection: Working for Christ

To do the work of Christ is really quite simple. It means to be faithful in little things, for to be faithful in little things is a big thing. It means to do one's task, no matter how humble, not only thoroughly but joyfully. It means to make oneself available. yet never to seek the limelight. It means to make oneself useful, Without seeking to push oneself. It means to carry one's own burden, without, as far as possible, becoming a burden on others. In a word, it means to be at one's post, helpful and faithful, loyal and constant. Lord, make me an instrument for the building of your kingdom.

> Flor McCarthy, New Sunday and Holy Day Liturgies – Year B, Dominican Publications, Dublin (Ireland), 1999, p.246