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**22nd Sunday
Ordinary Time
August 28, 2022**

“Take my yoke upon you”

Deacon Donat took me out for lunch this week. We had a great chat about the parish and the year ahead. He is a very wise man – he has seen much of the world particularly in his work establishing *Chalice* the Catholic International Aid Agency. His caution to me that we are facing some difficult economic and social times this autumn came with a very clear call: “Father, we must really support each other in our parish. We must really find ways to love each other through these times.”

I write this spending the last days of August with my dear parents up at our cabin – how beautiful to be in the beloved North (sans mosquitos!). They, like many of our faithful Catholics, are aging – and the past two years have been particularly hard on the elderly. Much like children (indeed, like all of us), our elders love to have people around. The great human fear – *to be alone* – is often a daily experience for them. It is not that having “alone-time” is bad – we *really need that* ... it is that being *alone most of the time* is just not what humans were made for. Created in the image of God – the Holy Trinity – we are created for *community*. My folks are just happy to have their children around them – showing up and being there.

How blessed we are at St. Paul's! We are not a mega-church but we are bustling Church – Mass on Sunday is filled with the sounds of children, families, and elders. We are not the kind of community that sets out to create deliberately *community-building* events – we celebrate the Sacraments with a joyful reverence expressed in beauty. Community flows from this God-centered life. Too many folks today are so self-preoccupied, inward-looking in groups that are like tribes always looking for signs of enemies. We are the psalmist's children who, “*Sing to God, sing praises to his name; his name is the Lord, be exultant before him.*” (Sunday's Psalm) And focussing on God, we find the way to have bible studies, prayer groups, parties, ministries, and coffee and food times. When our eyes are on God, *then* we are able to see others and love them.

I am looking to this autumn in prayer asking, “How O Lord, do I strengthen my sisters and brothers to support each other.” The answer is given already in the question: **we will each be strengthened in facing the challenges ahead by going beyond ourselves in supporting one another.** We learned the hard lesson that division and isolation and fear of each other leave us weak. We know the joy of the righteous that comes in flocking together to worship God, “your flock found a dwelling in God's heritage; in your goodness, O God, you provided for the needy.”

So Jesus today gives us the plan for our parish for these our times – look for the lowest place, show up and be with the motley crew of “*the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind.*” (Lk.14:13). Staying around for coffee, connecting with the home-bound, advocating for the marginalized, and praying together – these ways of showing up and just being there come from being God-centered and will be the foundation for each of us being strengthened with the assurance of being “*repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.*” (Lk. 14:14)

Fr. Stefano

MONDAY, August 29, 2022

11:00 am - Confessions, Adoration & Rosary
 12:10 pm - Mass (*SI Felicity Brulé*)
 6:30 pm - Medjugorje Prayer Group (*meet outside at Holy Spirit Parish when the weather is nice*)

TUESDAY, August 30, 2022

11:00 am - Confessions, Adoration & Rosary
 12:10 pm - Mass (*SI John Sidloski*)

WEDNESDAY, August 31, 2022

11:00 am - Confessions, Adoration & Rosary
 12:10 pm - Mass (*f Louise Scott*)
 3:00 pm - Eucharistic Adoration until 5:00 pm

THURSDAY, September 1, 2022

11:00 am - Confessions, Adoration & Rosary
 12:10 pm - Mass (*f Edward Wess*)
 8:00 pm - Christ the King Prayer Group

FRIDAY, September 2, 2022

11:00 am - Confessions, Adoration & Rosary
 12:10 pm - Mass (*SI Lionel Lafreniere*)
 5:30 pm - Sto. Nino Prayer Group

SATURDAY, September 3, 2022

11:00 am - Confessions, Adoration & Rosary
 12:10 pm - Mass (*SI Doris Lalonde*)

SUNDAY, September 4, 2022 23rd Sunday Ordinary Time

8:00 am - Mass
 10:00 am - Mass *
 5:00 pm - Eritrean Mass
 7:30 pm - Vespers
 8:00 pm - Mass
**Please note there will be no livestream until further notice*



World Youth Day Interest Meeting

All those who will be 18+ by next summer are invited to come for an interest meeting at 7 p.m. **Wednesday August 31** at St. Anne's Parish to discuss a potential WYD Pilgrimage.

Children's Choir

Children ages 7-12 are invited to join the **Children's Choir** directed by Katrina MacKinnon! Rehearsals are **Friday's** at St. Paul's **from 3:30-4:30pm** starting **Sept. 16**.

Children who are registered are encouraged to join in singing at the 8am or 10am mass on Sundays under the direction of Michael Raney.

Special goals for the choir include:

- Advent Concert
- Mother's Day Concert
- Participation in the Saskatoon Music Festival
- Special Masses for Feast Days



For more information and to register, contact Katrina MacKinnon at katrina.a.mackinnon@gmail.com

Pinocchio: A Theological Tale for Our Times

Sept. 2-3 at St. Anne's Parish will feature Fr. Gregory Hrynkiw speaking on the famous Pinocchio story by Carlo Collodi. Father Gregory will talk about what it means to be made in the image and likeness of God while reflecting upon the spiritual, moral, and even political dangers of abandoning a Christian anthropology. The opening keynote will be held at **7:30 p.m.**

Friday, Sept. 2, featuring a free dessert night. The full-day **Saturday, Sept. 3** event requires pre-registration and features an opening Mass, three talks, lunch, and a question period/social. Cost of the full-day event is \$50/person, \$80/couple, and \$20/student. To reserve a ticket contact **Celene Sidloski** at csidloski@stmcollege.ca or phone (306) 715-1541.



Marriage Preparation

Marriage preparation classes begin **Tuesday, October 11** at 7:00 pm. Call or email the office to register.



Eucharistic Adoration
 Wednesdays 3 - 5 pm
 Monday to Saturday 11 am- 12 pm



LITTLE SISTER PARISH

For the week of **Aug. 28** we are asking for **SMALL CANS OF SOUP & CRACKERS**. Guadalupe Parish always needs Ziplock storage bags. Drop-off bin is in the welcome area.

OFFERING for August 14 & 21, 2022

Cash Donations	\$ 1638.55
Envelope Donations	\$ 3079.00
Renovations	\$ 410.00