



Вітаємо Всі до Нашої Парафії! Welcome All to Our Parish! A Place of Prayer, Family and Community for More than 50 Years

Epistle ~ Hebrews 11: 33 - 12: 2 Gospel ~ Matthew 10: 32-33, 37-38; 19: 27-30
Please see the included insert for today's troparia and special texts

Epistle Readers

Saturday (5 p.m.): Gloria Sherban
Sunday (10 a.m.): Michael Watral

Eucharistic Ministers

Saturday (5 p.m.): Christopher Tennant
Sunday (10 a.m.): Murray Salomon

The ending quote from today's Gospel passage is most interesting. Here the Lord states, "Many that are first will be last, and the last first." The phrase recognizes that people often are caught up with their own self-importance. Jesus points out that those who regard themselves first in rank above others will find out that they will be last, below classes of people that they despise. In Jesus' day, the Pharisees, the experts in the law, and religious leaders were excluded from God's Kingdom because of their rejection of the Gospel. On the other hand, the most despised sinners could inherit the Kingdom of God because of their faith in Jesus Christ. Our Lord came to save the humble, the weak, and the destitute. He accepts a converted soul and a changed mind. He is the physician to those who recognize their spiritual depravity and sickness. He hears those calling out, and recognizes a humble heart reaching for His acceptance.

~ condensed from a sermon by Rev. Kenneth Anthony



Parish News & Activities

If you and/or members of your family were not able to attend graveside services on Pentecost Sunday or this past Saturday morning, and still wish to have a private one for your departed loved one(s), Father Stepan is available to do so. Please call him (577-7721) to arrange an alternate day and time. Father will be at the Ukrainian Catholic Cemetery on Arthur St. at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday as requested by Transfiguration parish.



Exciting news! The new date for the dedication of the 50th Anniversary Legacy Project is **Sunday, June 17**, which will take place immediately following the 10 a.m. liturgy. The annual Parish Picnic will follow on our parish grounds and hall.

And it's *Father's Day*, so we invite all fathers, grandfathers, great-grandfathers and godfathers to come out and join in the festivities as well. There'll be the usual delicious picnic food and drink, and lots and lots of fun. *Let's all celebrate together!*

We will have one more "Cabbage Roll Making Session & Sale" before the summer on **Tuesday, June 26**, and are now taking orders for **frozen ones only**. Please sign the list posted in the narthex. Preparations will take place in the next little while; the exact schedule will be published in future bulletins. ☺

Many thanks to those who volunteered to lead the praying of the Rosary before the Saturday and Sunday Divine Liturgies during May. Since the response was less than favourable, we will discontinue this weekly practice for now, but will pray the Rosary before future special occasions and holydays.

Readings for the 2nd Sunday after Pentecost

(to help prepare for the nourishment of the Word of God at Liturgy)



Epistle: Romans 2: 10-16
Gospel: Matthew 4 : 18-23

As you read each passage, ask yourself these questions, "What thoughts, ideas, words or images come to mind?" and "What are the connections between them?" This will help make them easier to follow and understand.

LITURGICAL SERVICES FOR THIS WEEK

THURSDAY, MAY 31

10:00 a.m. ~ **Feast of the Holy Eucharist**

SATURDAY, JUNE 2

5:00 p.m. ~ **Second Sunday after Pentecost**
Epistle Reader: Joseph Myslicki

SUNDAY, JUNE 3

10:00 a.m. ~ **Second Sunday after Pentecost**
Epistle Reader: Andrika Warywoda

Please note: Father Stepan will be away **June 4 to June 7**. For emergencies, please contact the Roman Catholic Pastoral Centre (Chancery) at 343-9313.

Your Return Gift to God

Let us strive to live as Christian stewards, receive God's gifts gratefully, cultivate them responsibly, share them generously and lovingly with others, and return them with increase to the Lord.

Collection for May 19/20

Envelopes: \$1,330.⁰⁰
Mission Collection: \$67.⁵⁰
Eparchial Needs: \$5.⁰⁰



Thank you for your generosity! Щиро Вам дякуємо!

The Mission Collection for **May** is designated for **Thunder Bay (Canadian) Red Cross**. Its mission: to improve the lives of vulnerable people by mobilizing the power of humanity. Visit www.redcross.ca for more information.

Note: In May, parishioners can donate their "Special Projects" envelope to the building of the **Holodomor Monument & Garden at Exhibition Place in Toronto** if so desired. Please indicate by writing 'Holodomor Project' on your special envelope. For more information, visit tufoundation.ca/holodomor.

HOLY CROSS GOLDEN AGERS

We will be making pyrohy on **Tuesday, May 29** starting at 9:00 a.m. All members are encouraged to come out and help on that day. Any assistance from friends, family, and parishioners will also be appreciated.

Our regular monthly meeting is this **Thursday, May 31** at 1:30 p.m. preceded by a 'mini' darts tournament at 12:30 p.m. Bingo will follow after the meeting as usual. And a reminder that there will be **no** activities on **June 7** as the parish hall is being used as a polling station for the provincial election that day.

The next bus to Grand Portage will leave the church lot on **Wednesday, June 13** at 3:45 p.m. and return @ 10:00 p.m. Please call Ann Kozlowski (622-3006) or Ann Opaski (577-2805) to book your seat. This is a **free** service. Non-members (18 years and up) **with valid passports** are invited also.

Our annual wind-up will take place on **Thursday, June 14** at 1:00 p.m. starting with games and entertainment, followed by the usual picnic foods, and prize presentation. Members may bring one guest. Let's have fun, fun, fun!



ST. GEORGE'S SOCIETY

Our regular monthly meeting takes place on Sunday beginning at 7:00 p.m. All members are encouraged to attend. We need your presence to make some needed changes to our Constitution. Hope to see many there!



In the spirit of cooperation, all available members are encouraged to come out to help at the Holy Cross Golden Agers pyrohy making on **Tuesday, May 29** starting at 9:00 a.m. in our parish hall and kitchen.

The next date for new volunteer training at Superior Shores Gaming Centre (from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.) is **Sunday, June 3**. Parishioners are most welcome to take the training and volunteer. Retraining of volunteers originally trained prior to February 2018 is **Sunday, June 10** (same place and time). Our next bingo session is a matinée on **Wednesday, June 13**. Please speak with Gerry Bullock if you are able to volunteer on that date.

Our annual dinner meeting is set for **Thursday, June 21** at 6:00 p.m. at the Columbus Centre, Arthur at May St. Tickets will be available at this month's meeting at \$20/member. Tickets will **not** be sold at the door.

One Final Thought...

As we celebrate the Sunday of All Saints, certainly we know that those individuals we honour today chose to glorify God and took Him at His word. Our Lord also wants to enter into a binding fellowship with us where He is the Lord of our lives. Ironically, when we place God first in our lives and we live entirely for His glory, we will be constantly filled with everlasting joy, we will be fulfilled people, and live with purpose and meaning. While the rest of the world chases cheap trinkets and carnival handouts, we can enter into fellowship with the Almighty God. As we decide what contract to bind ourselves, ultimately, we must judge whether we want to fend for ourselves in a world that offers us and promises us little or nothing, or the assistance of a loving Lord who will provide for our needs, heal our faults, and love us as His own.

~ Rev. Kenneth Anthony

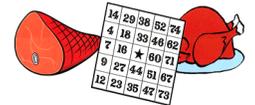
Sunday Smiles

Church of the Covered Dish by Thom Tapp



What's Happening In Our Community...

Ham and Turkey Bingo - Sunday, May 27 from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at North McIntyre Recreation Centre, 2051 Government Road (off Dawson). Early Bird starts at 5:30 p.m. with good neighbour, and door and 50/50 prize draws during the evening. 50¢ per card — wow! Please remember to bring your chips. *Ladies, why not get a group together and go out while the men are at St. George's meeting!*



A Frighteningly Big Evening! Superior Shores Gaming Association is having a "Mini-Monster Bingo" on **Friday, June 1** at the evening session (435 Memorial Avenue) from 6:45 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Up to \$43,900 in cash and prizes and a minimum of \$10,000 will be won! One night only! Doors open at 4:00 p.m. No reservation required. First come, first served.



King of the Lobster Supper - Saturday, June 2 at the Columbus Centre from 4:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Guaranteed three (3) lobsters, salads, scalloped potatoes, dessert, rolls and coffee/tea. Tickets are \$60/person and are available at the Centre Office or by calling Rosie at 623-3252 to purchase your tickets with a credit card. **Tickets will not be sold after Monday, May 28 at 5:00 p.m.**

Staal Foundation Open - Volunteers and caddies are needed for this annual event from **July 10 to 16, 2018** at Whitewater Golf Club. More than 400 amazing volunteers took part in last year's event and they are looking for as many, if not more. Previous golf experience is not required. Visit www.staalopen.ca for more details, and click on "Get Involved" today!

DID YOU KNOW?



Thunder Bay Catholic District School Board

Catholic schools have maintained and enhanced their foundational place in Ontario's public education system as it has evolved. It would be unfair to the Catholic community and the people of Ontario to dismantle a school system that has been an integral part of publicly-funded education since 1841. It would also be a dangerous precedent for minority rights in Canada.

Furthermore, our Catholic schools work well in the entire education system of Ontario and have done so for many years. Please encourage and thank your local MPP for his/her support to our school system and indicate your support for Catholic education to them, **especially at election time.**



Let Us Choose to Follow Jesus

In our every day life, we are often divided into different groups. We may be divided by size, by age, by the colour of our hair, or by our likes and dislikes. Take for example, ice cream. What flavour do you like better -- vanilla or chocolate? It might be different from what your brother, sister, or friend likes. What about music? Rock-and-roll or hip-hop? Maybe you like rap or country? The choices are so many!

As you see, we don't all think the same way or like the same things, do we? One time, Jesus said that He was going to be the cause of division among the people. What did He mean? He meant that even though He came to die on the cross to save the whole world, there would be some who would not believe. He wanted everyone to follow His teachings and be on His team, but He knew it wasn't going to be that way. There would be some who would follow, and others who would not.

If someone said to you, "Everyone who wants to follow Jesus, come stand with me," you'd probably do it. That would make Jesus happy, but sadly, it doesn't always happen that way. There are some who follow Jesus, and there are many who do not. That makes Jesus very sad and it makes us sad too.

That is why we should tell others the good news that Jesus loves them and pray that they will choose to follow Him too.

Let us pray: Jesus, we love You and we want to follow You day by day. Help us to tell others that You love them too, and that You died for them, so that they might choose to follow You too. Amen.



Source: www.sermons4kids.com



Follow Me

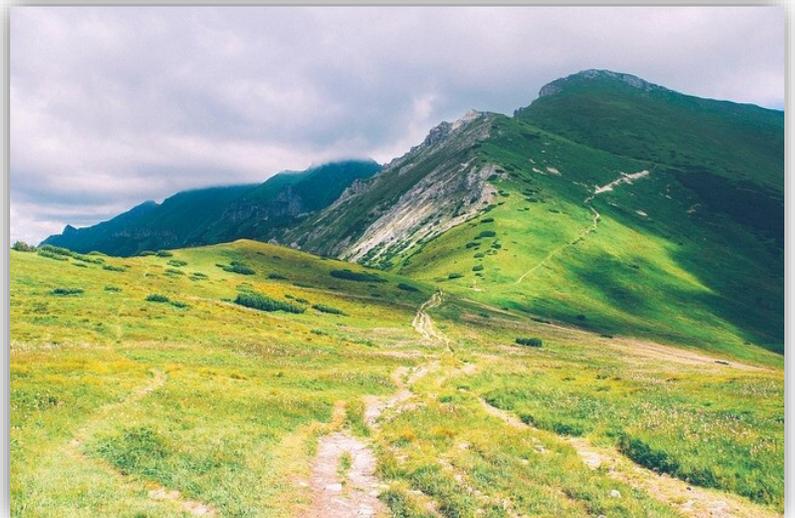
Follow Me, I'll be your Guide
Through valley floors and mountainsides.
When life is up, I'm there, you know,
But when things are down, you're still not alone.

Life will pull you left and right,
Leave you wounded, but deep inside
I'll heal your wounds and mend your scars
And leave you stronger after all.

And when the path is hard to see,
Just hold my hand and follow Me.
You might stumble and you might fall,
But I'll lift you up, and you'll stand tall.

When you're weary and can't decide
Which path to take—which one is right?
I'll light your path, if you take heed.
Just listen well and follow Me.

If you stay close by my side,
I will not promise an easy ride.
Instead, a path to better things,
And to the joy that I will bring.



While on the journey you will not see
What is to come and what will be.
But when you reach the other side,
You'll see all that I had in mind.

So, if you're willing to trust My plan,
To finish the story that I began,
Take the plunge, be all you can be,
Take my hand, and follow Me.

~ Anonymous