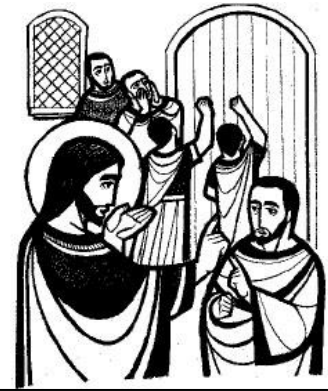


Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time August 25, 2019



MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS: AUGUST 24 TO SEPTEMBER 1

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Saturday	Aug 24	
4:30 pm	The deceased members of the Marolly & Rodrigues families	The Marolly family
Sunday	Aug 25	Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 am	Gerry McCallum	Family
11:00 am	Our Parishioners	
Monday	Aug 26	
8:30 am	Teresa Pompena	Maddelena & Bruno
Tuesday	Aug 27	
8:30 am	Alfred Kolodincki	Becket CWL
Wednesday	Aug 28	
8:30 am	Priscilla Fernandes	Merwyn & Cynthia Pereira
Thursday	Aug 29	
8:30 am	Dominic Roselli	The Principe Family
Friday	Aug 30	
8:30 am	Evangeline & Benjamin Alvina	Rose & James Martins
Saturday	Aug 31	
4:30 pm	Shirley Anne Follett	Kathleen Rush & Tom Heald
Sunday	Sept 1	Twenty-Second in Ordinary Time
9:00 am	Our Parishioners	
11:00 am	Sean Richardson	Dawn, Gerry & family

SANCTUARY LAMP (Week)

Aug 25: Salvatore Battaglia and Provvidenza Infantino Battaglia, requested by Nancy & Josie Battaglia

Sept 1: Sean Richardson & Fr. Peter Clarke requested by Dawn, Gerry & family

LORD GRANT MERCY AND LASTING PEACE to those who died recently, and strength and comfort to those who mourn them: *Teresa Dellar*, wife of Gavin Fernandes.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS

Offerings for August 17/18 will be published in the bulletin of September 1

Next special collection: September 8 - Helping Others

NEW PICNIC TABLE NEEDED FOR THE PARISH, to replace the broken one that was used by parishioners and those visiting the statue of Our Lady. Anyone wishing to make a donation please contact the parish office. 514-626-4111

WISDOM FROM ST. PADRE PIO

"Remember that it is not feeling of guilt that constitutes sin but the consent to sin. Only the free will is capable of good or evil. But when the will sighs under the trial of the tempter and does not will what is presented to it, there is not only no fault but there is virtue."

PRAYER FOR LEADING A HOLY LIFE / FOR ORDERING A LIFE WISELY



“Grant, O merciful God, that I may ardently desire, carefully examine, truly know, and perfectly fulfill those things that are pleasing to you, to the praise and glory of your holy name. Direct my course, O my God, that I may do what you require me to do. Show me the way and grant that I may follow it as is necessary and profitable to my soul.

Grant to me, O Lord my God, that I may not be found wanting in prosperity; that I may not be lifted up by one nor cast down by the other. May I find joy in nothing but what leads to you; sorrow in nothing but what leads away from you. May I seek to please no one, nor fear to displease any. May I fear only you. May I

despise all transitory things, O Lord, and treasure all things that are eternal. Let me loath all delights without you, nor desire anything apart from you. Let me find pleasure in all toil that is for you; and weariness in all rest where you are not.

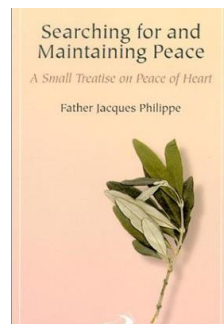
Grant to me, O my God, that I may turn my heart to you always, and grieve for my failings with a firm purpose of amendment. Make me, O Lord, obedient without opposition; poor without repining; chaste without blemish; patient without murmur; humble without pretense; merry without riotousness; serious without heaviness; cheerful without frivolity; God-fearing without abjectness; truthful without duplicity; doing good without presumption; correcting my neighbor without pride; edifying him by word and example without hypocrisy.

Grant to me, O Lord God, a vigilant heart that no subtle speculation may ever lead me from you; a nobleness that no unworthy affection may draw from you; a rectitude that no evil purpose may turn from you. Grant me a steadfastness which no tribulation may shatter; a freedom that no violent affection may overthrow. Give me, O Lord my God, a mind to know you, diligence to seek you, wisdom to find you. Give me a way of life pleasing to you, perseverance to trust and await you, and finally faith to embrace you.

Grant that my punishment may be averted through penance here; your benefits used in this life through your grace; that your joys may be enjoyed in heaven in glory. Who lives and reigns, one God forever and ever. Amen.”

~ by St. Thomas Aquinas

WORTHWHILE READING



Searching for and Maintaining Peace: A Small Treatise on Peace of Heart by Father Jacques Philippe

We live in an age characterized by agitation and lack of peace. This tendency manifests itself in our spiritual as well as our secular life. In our search for God and holiness, in our service to our neighbor, a kind of restlessness and anxiety take the place of the confidence and peace which ought to be ours. What must we do to overcome the moments of fear and distress which assail us? How can we learn to place all our confidence in God and abandon ourselves into his loving care?

This is what is taught in this simple, yet profound little treatise on peace of heart. Taking concrete examples from our everyday life, the author invites us to respond in a Gospel fashion to the upsetting situations we must all confront. Since peace of heart is a pure gift of God, it is something we should seek, pursue and ask him for without cease. This book is here to help us in that pursuit.

ST. MONICA & ST. AUGUSTINE: THE POWER OF PRAYER



Monica was born into a moderately wealthy family in North Africa about 331. An old Christian maidservant brought her up in the Christian faith.

Monica was given in marriage to Patricius, who was not a Christian. For many years Monica sought to win Patricius to the Lord. Following the advice of I Peter 3, Monica realized her conduct more than her words would be the means of Patricius' conversion. By persevering in patience and meekness, Monica won her mother-in-law to Christ. Patricius too eventually became a Christian towards the very end of his life.

Though the wife of a non-Christian, Monica prayed that her family might eventually all come to Christ. She attempted to bring her children up in the ways of the Lord, and it pained her to see them stray from the truth she had taught them. Her most promising son, Augustine, was given an excellent education, and Monica hoped this might be a means of his more fully reaching God. Augustine ignored his mother's warnings and pursued a life of self-gratification and immorality while continuing his classical education. He lived with a woman not his wife and fathered a child. Monica didn't have the words to convince her son of the truth of Christianity, but she determined never to stop praying that he would turn to God.

When Augustine went to Italy to teach, Monica, by then a widow, followed him there. In Milan she attended the church pastored by St. Ambrose and rejoiced when Augustine was befriended by Ambrose and eventually baptized by him.

Monica died in 387 at 56. In his Confessions, Augustine spoke of his grief and weeping for the mother "now gone from my sight, who for years had wept over me, that I might live in [God's] sight." She died a happy woman for she had seen her prayers answered, and both her husband and her son had become believers. Augustine was only 33 at the time of his mother's death, and many years of service to Christ and His Church lay before him. In later years Augustine could recognize the importance of his mother's perseverance in prayer to his own salvation and ministry. St. Monica's feast day is August 27. She is the patron saint of married women, mothers, victims of infidelity, and widows. St. Augustine's feast day is August 28.

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the sciences, education and the Church's pastoral practice. What forms does evil take today in the work of the Church and in the use of civil authority; in culture, economics, and politics; and among adherents of different religions and worldviews? What can people learn from the Catholic intellectual tradition to spur the pursuit of goodness, truth, and beauty not only in spite of, but even through the encounter with evil? These and other questions will be discussed by distinguished Canadian and American scholars. With Montreal Auxiliary Bishop Thomas Dowd and Archbishop Terrence Prendergast of Ottawa. September 27-29, downtown Montreal. Reduced early registration price until August 26. Find out more at www.catholicscholars.org