

August 15, 2015



ST. ANDREW'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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TIMES OF MASSES AND MASS INTENTIONS

DATE	TIME	MASS FOR
Saturday, August 15 th	5:00 p.m.	Parishioners
Sunday, August 16 th	8:30 a.m.	+Maria & Zdzislaw Machnica
Sunday, August 16 th	10:30 a.m.	Parishioners
Monday, August 17 th	9:00 a.m.	Parishioners
Tuesday, August 18 th	9:00 a.m.	Parishioners
Wednesday, August 19 th	9:00 a.m.	+Dorothy Harrington
Thursday, August 20 th	9:00 a.m.	Parishioners
Friday, August 21 st	9:00 a.m.	Parishioners
Saturday, August 22 nd	8:30 a.m.	Parishioners
Saturday, August 22 nd	5:00 p.m.	+Stan Flynn
Sunday, August 23 rd	8:30 a.m.	Parishioners
Sunday, August 23 rd	10:30 a.m.	+Stan McCarthy
Monday, August 24 th	9:00 a.m.	Parishioners
Tuesday, August 25 th	9:00 a.m.	Parishioners
Wednesday, August 26 th	9:00 a.m.	+Basil Harrington
Thursday, August 27 th	9:00 a.m.	+Lily Chau
Friday, August 28 th	9:00 a.m.	+Marie & Desmond Rose
Saturday, August 29 th	8:30 a.m.	Parishioners

Masses offered for the deceased (+)

Rosary: 20 minutes prior to weekday and Saturday morning Masses

Reconciliation: Saturday 4:30 p.m. – 4:50 p.m.

Sunday 8:00 a.m. – 8:20 a.m. & 10:00 a.m. – 10:20 a.m.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Every day from 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

Note: All weekday Masses in August will be celebrated at 9:00 a.m. except for Saturday morning at 8:30 a.m.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Please Pray For: Deb McCabe, Angela Gonsalves, Maria Sousa, Maria Dias, Antonia Pickarz, Dawn Jeffrey, Maureen McGarrity, Ethan-Nicholas Galdick, Pamela Murray, Mary Dunham, Ivor (Buster) Johnston, Aaron David Martin, Kathleen Scott

Kindly let us know when the sick are blessed with healing.

Parish Council

Kathy O'Donnell 705-484-5742

Liturgy Committee Choir:

Joan Dunbar 705-484-5287

Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors

Diane Conway 705-484-5925

Catholic Women's League

Donna Page 705-484-0057

Finance Committee

Herb Phillipps 705-484-0547

Cemetery Board

Ruth Windatt 705-426-7117

Maintenance Committee

Dave McCarthy 705-426-7868

Fundraising Committee

Mary Jane Whalen 705-484-0063

Foley Catholic School

705-484-5940

Pat Shannon Principal

UPCOMING EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Prayer Group Meeting: Every Tuesday 9:45 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

Bible Study: Every Wednesday 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Raffle: Great prizes! Tickets are \$5 each or 3 for \$10 & can be purchased at the back of the Church, from a CWL member or from a Fundraising Committee member. Winners to be drawn on Oct. 18, 2015 at 11:30 a.m. Should you have any upcoming events you would like to have published in the bulletin, please contact Cathy White 705-484-0058

SPIRITUAL TRUTHS

What is the 1st Commandment of God? *You shall have no other gods before Me (Dt. 5-7) You shall not go after other gods...for the Lord your God in the midst of you is a jealous God (Dt.6:14-15)*. What did Jesus say about the 1st Commandment? Jesus said: *For it is written, "The Lord your God shall you worship, and Him alone shall you adore"* (Mt.4:10). The 1st Commandment requires us to love God above all things, to serve Him and adore Him alone. To adore God means to worship Him as our sovereign Creator and Lord, avoiding the sins of idolatry and sacrilege. We exercise faith by believing in God and all He has revealed, and by witnessing to our belief by the way we live. A strong faith calls us to make the effort to develop and grow in it. A Catholic sins against faith by joining a non-Catholic church, by denying a truth of faith or by being indifferent to the Catholic religion. Heresy is the deliberate denial of a truth of faith. Apostasy is complete rejection of the Christian faith by a baptized Catholic. We need God's grace to live good lives. We must confidently hope for His continued blessings until we enter His Presence.

SPIRITUAL MATTERS

We sin against hope by presumption and despair. Presumption is the sin of expecting that God will save us without any effort on our part, or presuming that we do not need God's help to reach heaven. Despair is the sin of refusing to believe that God will give one the necessary help to reach salvation. Despair is an act of the will, not to be confused with feelings of depression or anxiety. Our belief in God's love requires a response of love. We love God above others and we love them for love of Him. We sin against love in many ways: by hating God or our neighbour, by envy, sloth, ingratitude, giving scandal, etc. Adoration is the worship we give to God alone as the infinitely Holy and Supreme Being.

SPIRITUAL WISDOM

We worship God with public and private prayer, especially the Mass or Eucharistic Celebration, and with acts of faith, hope and charity. The main reasons for praying are to adore God, to thank Him, to ask His forgiveness and make up for sin, and to ask His help for ourselves and others. Sacrifice is a sign of our prayer, adoration, thanksgiving, contrition or supplication. We unite our sacrifices to the one true and indispensable sacrifice of Jesus on the Cross. A vow is a free and deliberate promise made to God. It is "an act of devotion in which the Christian dedicates himself/herself to God or promises Him some good work. There are three kinds of vows: Public vows which are accepted in the name of the Church by a lawful religious superior and private vows which an individual makes directly to God. Religious make three vows: chastity (not to marry), poverty (to give up ownership of material goods), and obedience (to obey their superiors, who hold God's place). These vows are called evangelical counsels.

Truly in Christ,

Fr. Anthony Gonsalves