

PLEASE NOTE - due to COVID we will not be accepting applications this year for Christmas Dinners.

We will be accepting donations to help with Dinners - all monies received will be passed on to the *Christmas Exchange*, and you will be credited for *Income Tax* purposes by us. They, in turn, will distribute these monies to the 'very few' organizations which are willing and able to physically meet with applicants needing help in our area. We would appreciate receiving donations beginning the weekend of **October 3rd/4th** - we will have to send our cheque to the "Exchange" by the 1st of November as they have to coordinate just how far the money will go.

Please keep in mind there are a lot of families who no longer have jobs due to COVID and we appreciate whatever help we will receive through your donations; through the efforts of the Christmas Exchange and through other organizations handling the many, many families who will be applying.

Anyone who has ever worked with us during this Christmas Dinner season, can understand **IT IS NOT SAFE** for this sort of interaction. Others who have been in the church hall to see how many people are involved and how difficult (sometimes impossible) it is to practice 'social distancing' will also comprehend our reluctance to do something endangering our own health and the health of everyone in attendance.

It saddens us to make this announcement! In years past it has been the 'beginning' of our Christmas season and it was always a joyful time of helping those in need. But, - unfortunately this is a whole new world we're living in and "staying safe" is the way we have to go. Please God, by this time next year, we'll be able to 'take applications' and share with those who need our help.

REMINDER - you are obligated to register for Mass (BOTH WEEKEND & NOVENA MASSES) by either calling the office at 653-6830 or online at HolyRedeemerSJ.com Just register ONCE and your name remains on the list. You will receive a phone call or email when there is space available for you.

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Msgr. Brian Henneberry, V.G., Pastor

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Thursday - 9:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Weekday Liturgies

Tuesday - 5:30 p.m. (Novena Mass)

Wednesday - NO MASS

Thursday - NO MASS

Sunday Masses

Saturday Vigil at 4:00 p.m.

Sunday at 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Tuesday - 5:00 - 5:30 p.m.

Saturday - 3:00 - 3:45 p.m.

Sacrament of Baptism

By appointment only. Please call the Rectory

Sacrament of Marriage

A six (6) month prior notice is requested

Ministry to the Sick

Please contact the Rectory if you or someone you know would like to be visited at home or in hospital



October 4th, 2020

27th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Our Masses for the week of October 5th

Monday	9:00 a.m.	- NO MASS -
Tuesday	5:30 p.m.	NOVENA MASS - Cancelled -
Wednesday		- NO MASS -
Thursday		- NO MASS -
Friday		- NO MASS -
Saturday	4:00 p.m.	Memorial Mass
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Rose McLaughlin
	11:00 a.m.	For the People



MEMORIALS to be celebrated on Saturday, October 10th at 4:00 p.m.:
Mary Landry (a), Josephine & Joanne Sullivan, Eleanor Hanlon & d.m.f.,
Dawn Rogers & d.m.f., Ethel Hunt, Connie English, Souls in Purgatory,
Special Intentions

Please pray for the priests who are on retreat this week.

Sunday Offertory - September 27th - (Including PAD) - \$5,055.00
NEEDS OF THE CHURCH IN CANADA - \$1,637.00

Introduction to the Prayers of the Faithful

The motto of St. F. X. University, familiar to many in Saint John, is "**Quaecumque Sunt Vera**". It translates "Whatsoever Things are True" and is taken from today's second reading to the Philippians. St. Paul tells us not to be anxious in presenting our requests and petitions to God. When we do, the peace of God will be our safety and will guard our hearts and minds in Jesus.

Bishop Christian has made a similar appeal to us amidst the current anxiety and uncertainty produced by the pandemic. During the coming year the Bishop is asking each parish to consider initiatives in evangelization. He is also encouraging us to encounter Jesus through His Word and in the Sacraments. He is requesting that each parish allow for regular times of Eucharistic Adoration and to include prayers for vocations to the priesthood and religious life as an integral part of this devotion.

Generations have done this before us and they faced famine, epidemic, expulsion, colonial rule, the Depression and World Wars..... realities much more threatening than the COVID-19! And they made sure we could live the same vibrant faith! In thanksgiving for those we knew and loved and those we celebrate in memory and song we look forward to this effort together!

Prayers of the Faithful

For Pope Francis and the whole world as it receives his encyclical "*Fratelli tutti*" affirming the human dignity of each person. We pray to the Lord.

For a renewed personal encounter with Jesus for all our Diocesan families throughout the new Pastoral Year. We pray to the Lord.

For Bishop Christian and his priests who will gather this week on retreat to pray for the people and needs of our Diocese. We pray to the Lord.

For patients, residents, caregivers and spiritual care workers and for those who promote the principles of Catholic Health Care and respect for life during this National Catholic Health Care Week. We pray to the Lord.

For special graces from praying the Rosary on October 7th, Feast of the Holy Rosary, and during October dedicated to the Rosary. We pray to the Lord.

For the health and safety of each child in school and in our Religious Education Program and for their families, teachers and support workers facing challenges during the pandemic. We pray to the Lord.

For the poor and for those who will assist them as they are able. We pray to the Lord.

For those who have died NN..... and for family and friends who mourn, especially those in isolation. We pray to the Lord.

***Ellen Hooley, Bob Parker, Doreen Butler,
Faye Cormier, Marjorie Edison***