

Roman Catholic Parishes of the South Interlake

Christ the King, Stonewall
St. John Vianney, Teulon
St. Joseph's, Stony Mountain

July 28 & August 4, 2024

Seventeenth Sunday & Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

LORD'S DAY MASS TIMES:

SUNDAY at 8:30am (STONY MOUNTAIN), 10:00am (STONEWALL) & 11:30am (TEULON)

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Sacrament of Baptism

Please contact Fr. Vijay regarding any upcoming baptism and arrange a time to meet for preparation.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

On the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month, from 6:30pm to 7:00pm at Christ the King Church.

Sacrament of the Sick

Please contact Fr. Vijay in case of emergency.

Sacrament of Marriage

6 months notice is required prior to the wedding. A weekend retreat or 6 week preparation course is required prior to the marriage. Please contact Fr. Vijay regarding preparation.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

• <u>Sunday, July 28th</u>, Crescent Creek Recreational Centre—after Mass—St. John Vianney Church celebration (see next page for more information)

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For news around the Archdiocese of Winnipeg, go to: www.archwinnipeg.ca/news.php

BULLETIN DEADLINE:

Please submit information for the bulletin by <u>TUESDAY at NOON</u> to Ronda at: ckparish@mymts.net

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday, July 28th, 2024

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30am, Stony Mountain -

- † Richard Slaney
- requested by the Slaney family

10:00am, Stonewall -

For the intentions of all parishioners

11:30am, Teulon -

For a Special Intention

- requested by Stephen Frig

Monday, July 29th No Mass

Tuesday, July 30th

7:00pm, Stonewall

Wednesday, July 31st

9:30am, Stonewall

Thursday, August 1st

*** No Mass ***



Friday, August 2nd & Saturday, August 3rd
No Mass

Sunday, August 4th, 2024 Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30am, Stony Mountain -

For the intentions of all parishioners

10:00am, Stonewall -

† James Peters

- requested by Gertie Peters & Peter Burchuk

11:30am. Teulon -

- † Steve, Lizbeth & Joe Frig
- requested by Steve Frig

Monday, August 5th to Saturday, August 10th

*** No Mass ***

Sunday, August 11th, 2024 Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30am, Stony Mountain -

For the intentions of all parishioners

10:00am, Stonewall -

For the intentions of all parishioners

11:30am, Teulon -

For the intentions of all parishioners

Starting on August 1, there will be **no weekday Mass** unless otherwise indicated. Please refer to the Mass Schedule in the bulletin for the complete schedule.

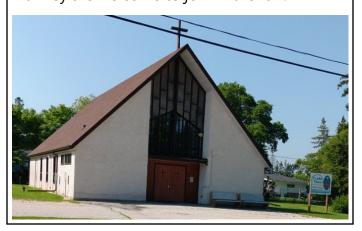
To look up and learn more about:

- July 28—World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly
- July 29—Saints Martha, Mary and Lazarus, Disciples of the Lord (Memorial)
- <u>July 31</u>—St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest (Memorial)
- August 1—St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop, Doctor (Memorial)
- August 6—The Transfiguration of the Lord (Feast)
- August 8—St. Dominic, Priest (Memorial)
- August 10—St. Lawrence, Deacon, Martyr (Feast)

PARISH NEWS

St. John Vianney News

The church building at St. John Vianney in Teulon has turned 40 years old this year! A celebration with food and fellowship at Crescent Creek Recreational Centre will take place **TODAY**, **July 28th after Mass**, to celebrate this milestone and to wish Fr. Vijay well in his (temporary) new role in Fisher Branch. All parishioners from St. John Vianney are welcome to join in the fun!





Stewardship of Treasure

(Includes Visitor envelopes and pre-authorized contributions)

Thank you for your generosity!

July 14, 2024

Parish / Mission	Regular Offertory	Sharing God's Gifts	Build- ing Fund	Support for Mendez Sisters	Food Bank
Christ the King	\$1656.26	\$547.50	\$78.75	\$100.00	\$60.00
St. John Vianney	\$475.00	-	-	-	-
St. Joseph's	\$350.00	-	-	-	-

July 21, 2024

Parish / Mission	Regular Offertory	Sharing God's Gifts	Build- ing Fund	Food Bank
Christ the King	\$1136.26	\$27.50	\$28.75	\$120.00
St. John Vianney	\$330.00	\$20.00	-	-
St. Joseph's	\$230.00	-	-	-

PARISH NEWS

Congratulations

Congratulations and blessings to Clara Hoff and Lindsay Conrad (parishioners of Christ the King Church), who recently graduated from Collège Stonewall Collegiate. We wish you good luck!



Weekly Parish Email

We weekly send out our bulletin. If you would like to get added onto our email list or if you need to update your contact information, please contact the parish office at: ckparish@mymts.net.



Catechism at Christ the King



It is time to register for 2024-2025 Catechism classes at Christ the King Church. Please email Rebecca <u>as</u> **soon as possible**, at:

mrgoodfamily@hotmail.ca. Be sure to include your child's name and upcoming grade.

Food Bank Donations



There are bins at the entrances of Christ the King Church for donations of non-perishable food items for the Interlake Food Bank. Thank you!

Christ the King Church



<u>Please note</u>: If you see something that needs to be fixed / maintenance at Christ the King Church, please contact Harry Hoff at (204) 461-1214, or Tracey

Berg at (204) 467-7418. Thank you!

Church Cleaning at Christ the King

If you would like to volunteer to clean the church, please sign up at the entrance, or contact Tracey at (204) 467-7418. I will be happy to clean with you and show you what's involved. Thank you! A bag of rice to share: From her personal experience, Mother Teresa relates a story demonstrating the generosity of the poor, rising from their personal experience of hunger and poverty, as contrasted with the rich who have had no such experience to teach them. Learning of a poor Hindu family in Calcutta who had been starving for many days, Mother Theresa visited them and brought the mother a big parcel of rice. She was surprised to see how the mother divided the rice into two equal portions and went out with one bundle to give it to her Moslem neighbour. When she returned, Mother Theresa asked her why she had done such a generous deed. The woman replied: "My family can manage with half the rice in this bag. My neighbour's family has several children and they are also starving." — Today's Gospel tells the story of a small boy who showed this same kind of generosity. By sharing his small lunch (five barley loaves and two dried fish), he became the instrument in Jesus' working of a miracle that fed thousands. Fr. Tony (https://frtonyshomilies.com/).

Poverty and hunger amid wealth and prosperity: In the Asian, African, and Latin American countries, well over 500 million people are living in what the World Bank has called "absolute poverty." Every year 15 million children die of hunger. The Indian subcontinent has nearly half the world's hungry people. Africa and the rest of Asia together have approximately 40%, and the remaining hungry people are found in Latin America and other parts of the world. Nearly one of every four people (1.3 billion – a majority of humanity), lives on less than \$1 per day while the world's 358 billionaires have assets exceeding the combined annual incomes of countries with 45 percent of the world's people. There are three reasons for this situation: 1) The unwillingness of the rich people and wealthy countries to share their blessings with the poor and the needy. 2) The unjust distribution of wealth enables the rich to become richer and let the poor get poorer. 3) The exorbitant military spending of rich and poor nations. Most countries spend more than half their national income on the military. Although the food in the world should suffice to feed God's children, it will never suffice to fill the greed of men. By describing how Jesus miraculously fed five thousand people using the sacrificial sharing of his lunch by a boy, today's Gospel challenges us to plan what we can do to feed the hungry in the world around us by changing the way we live, personally and as a community. Fr. Tony (https://frtonyshomilies.com/).

"A great Prophet has risen among us; God has looked favourably on his people." (Luke 7.16)

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"Man does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God." (Matthew 4.4)



Bringing Home the Word

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B) July 28, 2024

More than Enough

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

T wo stories today tell of people hungry for bread who amazingly receive more than enough. In both the first reading and the Gospel passage, a few loaves feed a multitude of people, and there are baskets of leftovers. How did this happen? Did the loaves multiply before their eyes? Did more food drop from heaven? Who of us would not have been thrilled to witness a miraculous feeding like that?

These stories are rich in religious meaning. First, they are meant to show that God meets the needs of vulnerable people—and meets those needs in ways

Sunday Readings

2 Kings 4:42-44

[Elisha said,] "Thus says the LORD: You will eat and have some left over."

Ephesians 4:1-6

I, then, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to live...with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another through love.

John 6:1-15

Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed them to those who were reclining.

only God can. Second, the surplus bread reveals the overabundance of divine graciousness. God gives us much more than we need. In other words, God's generosity is boundless. Third, these marvels don't just happen out of the blue. They occur through the agency of very ordinary people. In the first reading, it is Elisha's unnamed servant who distributes the loaves. The miracle seems to happen in his very hands. In the Gospel passage, it is the disciples of Jesus—ordinary, questioning people like you and me who gather up twelve baskets of leftovers.

Did this event really happen? Of course it did. In fact, these kinds of occurrences continue today. God is continually meeting our needs. God's generosity is always boundless. And God still accomplishes marvelous things in our lives through very ordinary people. The problem is that we often fail to realize this. We sometimes wish to see loaves of bread miraculously appear. ¶

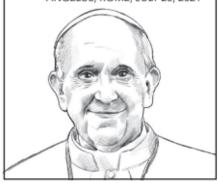
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A Word from Pope Francis

The disciples ask [the boy] to share everything he has to eat....
Thanks to that small freely-given and therefore heroic gift, Jesus is able to feed everyone.... The Lord can do a lot with the little that we put at His disposal.... This is how God loves to act....

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REFLECTIONS QUESTIONS GRESTIONS BEELFECTION

- Through whom has God cared for you and met your needs?
- How does God work through you to meet the needs of others?



Embrace the Silence to Hear God's Voice

Emily Blasik

As a writer, I turn my thoughts into articles, my adventures into blog posts, my reflections into columns. I've been this way for as long as I can remember, writing and sharing for the sake of relating to others. But with social media it's almost impossible to

break away from the noise. So many are obsessed with sharing everything—from daily meals to vacation attire to work woes. Post, like, comment, repeat. Again and again and again. This social phenomenon, while it has its upsides, is making it harder and harder to actually be alone with our thoughts.

I am a millennial who is guilty of oversharing and over-searching. Sometimes, it actually pains me to leave anything I experience in my daily life undocumented, as if not sharing means it never happened. And when I'm not posting, I'm scrolling through the endless updates of my friends, celebrities, and

perfect strangers for what seems like no good reason at all. It's something to do; something to fill the silence.

Which makes me wonder: What kind of void are we trying so desperately to fill? As much as we'd like to convince ourselves that we're master multitaskers, no one can hear God calling over the incessant pings, alerts, and notifications vying for our attention. Frankly, most of us need a wake-up call. We are slowly losing touch with ourselves and our Creator because we refuse to shut out the distractions. At least, I know I am. I can't even remember the last time I completely unplugged for more than an hour to focus on my relationship with Jesus Christ. Can you? Have you tried being silent recently-sans phone, computer, music, or podcast? It's harder now than ever before. And yet I believe it's absolutely crucial for the sake of our spiritual health and, ultimately, our salvation. 🕈



God of abundance, when we are anxious, remind us that you are the source of all that we need and that all will be well.

The Redemptorists

Wisdom from Catholic UPDATE

From "Making a Pilgrimage: The Journey Begins Within" by Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR

Why go on pilgrimage? Fundamentally, go for conversion and edification. Visit a shrine or holy place to be transformed. Journey there to increase your desire for a change of heart, behavior, attitude, or perspective. Like the Magi, you may return home with a fresh outlook on life, a deeper understanding of your faith, and a closer relationship with the Lord. In a broader sense, all Christians travel on a lifelong pilgrimage toward the sacred place we call heaven. "For here we have no lasting city, but we seek the one that is to come" (Hebrews 13:14). On pilgrimage, one may experience most profoundly God's presence in this world, encouraging us on our journey to the next. *

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WEEKDAY READINGS

July 29—August 3

Monday, Sts. Mary, Martha and Lazarus: Jer 13:1–11(401) / Jn 11:19–27 or Lk 10:38–42

Tuesday, Weekday: Jer 14:17–22 / Mt 13:36–43

Wednesday, St. Ignatius of Loyola: Jer 15:10, 16-21 / Mt 13:44-46 Thursday, St. Alphonsus Liguori: Jer 18:1–6 / Mt 13:47–53

Friday, Weekday: Jer 26:1–9 / Mt 13:54–58

Saturday, Weekday:

Jer 26:11-16, 24 / Mt 14:1-12



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Bringing Home the Word

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)
August 4, 2024

Bread of Life

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

ast week's stories about bread take a very different turn this week. In today's Gospel, Jesus uses the bread theme as a metaphor. Here, bread symbolizes the teachings of Jesus that will nourish us, that will satisfy our deepest needs. Jesus employs a method of interpretation favored by the rabbis of his day. He refers to a passage from the religious tradition (the passage that happens to be the first reading for today), and then, step by step, explains its meaning for the people of his day. His "homily" is really a response to the challenge from those who demanded

Sunday Readings

Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15

Then the LORD said to Moses, "I am going to rain down bread from heaven for you."

Ephesians 4:17, 20-24

Put on the new self, created in God's way in righteousness and holiness of truth.

John 6:24-35

[Jesus said to them,] "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst." a sign that would give evidence of the authority with which he spoke.

Those who challenged Jesus did so after they had been filled by the bread that he earlier miraculously provided. Jesus knew they weren't looking for signs of the presence of God in their midst. They simply wanted more food.

Jesus pointed out that the people of Moses' time had been called to trust that, day by day, God would provide them with food—as impossible as that might have seemed. Likewise, Jesus' hearers were called to trust his claims about his unique relationship with God, whom he called Father—as impossible as that might have seemed. This really isn't a story just about bread—the edible kind or the eucharistic kind. It is a story about believing in Jesus and accepting his teaching about the bread from heaven that promises eternal life. ¶

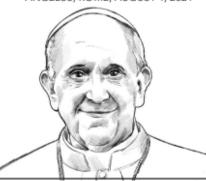
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A Word from Pope Francis

The Gospel's invitation is this: rather than being concerned only with the material bread that feeds us, let us welcome Jesus as the bread of life and, starting out from our friendship with Him, learn to love each other.... Love given freely and without calculation, without using people, freely, with generosity, with magnanimity.

ANGELUS, ROME, AUGUST 1, 2021



REFLECTIONS QUESTIONS GRESTIONS BEEFECTION

- Do I give thanks to God every day for the blessings in my life?
- Do I trust that God will provide what I need even when life is difficult?

The Value of Self-Control

Elizabeth A. Herzing-Gebhart

There is an obvious power struggle taking place in my household. It's not between my husband and me, and none of our children are involved. It's between our dogs. Envision an eleven-pound, longhaired Chihuahua/Papillion mix with giant brown eyes. He's Chester, affectionately referred to as Chestnut by the younger kids. Now picture a forty-five-pound boxer with a stubby tail, floppy ears, and gray, senior citizen-markings. Her name is Lucy, in honor of one of my favorites, Lucille Ball. Chester is clearly in charge.

Chester has Little Dog Syndrome (LDS), a term used to identify a set of traits commonly found in smaller breeds, most of which are annoying: barking, growling, biting. These behaviors are a



response to perceived threats as a way of overcoming any deficits due to their small stature. People often perpetuate and even encourage this problem. Owners may feel the need to protect small dogs, so they remove them from certain situations, which detaches them from the chance to gain social skills. Also, bad behavior, like jumping on guests or begging for food can be seen as cute from a little dog but annoying or threatening from a big one. As a result, we might overlook the misdeeds of smaller pooches and respond more assertively with bigger breeds.

Sometimes we might display a human form of LDS. We might make excuses for our bad behavior, engage in backbiting, "growl" at people when we are tired or overwhelmed. Admitting our faults may make us feel vulnerable, but God gives us the tools to be emotionally competent. We can admit our wrongs to one another, ask for forgiveness, and feel better for having done so. Consider St. Paul's words to Timothy: "For God did not give us a spirit of cowardice but rather of power and love and self-control" (2 Timothy 1:7). *

Wisdom from Catholic UPDATE

From "Holy Communion: Who Is Invited?" by Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR

All who are not receiving holy Communion—for whatever reason—are strongly encouraged to offer in their hearts a prayerful desire for unity with the Lord Jesus and with one another. "Spiritual Communion" is the practice of desiring union with Christ in the Eucharist by those who cannot receive holy Communion for valid cause, such as an infirmity or an irregular marriage. According to St. Thomas Aquinas, Spiritual Communion is "an ardent desire to receive Jesus in the Holy Sacrament and a loving embrace as though we had already received Him." ¶

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God of all people, remind us when we are anxious that you provide for us, and inspire us to care for others in your name.

Amen.

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WEEKDAY READINGS

August 5-10

Monday, Weekday: Jer 28:1–17 / Mt 14:13–21

Tuesday, Transfiguration of the Lord: Dn 7:9–10, 13–14 / 2 Pt 1:16–19 / Mk 9:2–10

Wednesday, Weekday: Jer 31:1–7 / Mt 15:21–28 Thursday, St. Dominic: Jer 31:31–34 / Mt 16:13–23

Friday, Weekday: Na 2:1, 3; 3:1–3, 6–7 / Mt 16:24–28

Saturday, St. Lawrence: 2 Cor 9:6–10 / Jn 12:24–26



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