



Guardian Angels Parish

July 3, 2016

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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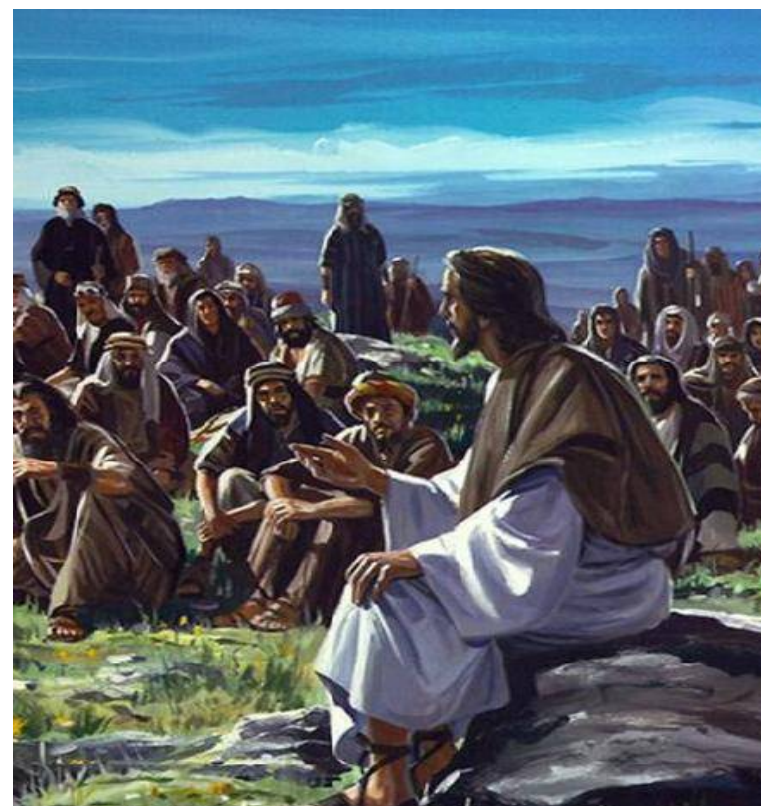
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"Go on your way. I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road." Luke 10

PARISH LITURGICAL AND PRAYER SCHEDULE

Liturgical Celebrations

Saturday 4:00 pm (Anticipated Mass)
Sunday 9:00 am; 11:00am; 12:30pm

Weekday Mass Times:

Monday 7:00 pm
Tuesday – Friday 8:00 am
Saturday 9:00 am

Sacraments:

Confessions– Saturdays between 3:00—3:45 pm or by appointment.

Baptism / Marriage / Anointing of the Sick or Home Communion / Funeral - Please contact the Parish office.

Devotions / Prayers

Morning Prayers / Breviary:

Tuesday-Friday 7:40 am
Saturday & Sunday 8:30 am

Mother of Perpetual Help:

Wednesdays 7:00 pm

Infant Jesus of Prague:

Mondays 6:30 pm

Divine Mercy Chaplet:

Sundays 1:30 pm

First Fridays - Holy Hour at 6:00 pm (except during Lent)

Stations of the Cross (during Lent) - every Friday at 6:30 pm followed by Mass at 7:00 pm.

Pastor's Corner - 14th Sunday In Ordinary Time



The Interview

Once I was interviewed by one of my parishioners to publish a short profile about me on a local newspaper. The interview questions ranged from my birth place till I landed in Vancouver in 2009. The person at one point asked me about my books and I responded to him saying that I had a passion to write and would continue to do so in the future. But then he put the second question in this sequence and asked if there were writers in my family. I said no one. Then how come you became a writer? To this I answered him, by sheer luck. I told him that I liked reading books and then I tried at times to write and this became a hobby that I liked to continue even before I earned my Doctorate in Rome. Well, this incident made me understand that there are a lot of people who would want to see in your life what your family members had been doing. So, in their mind-set there is no chance for creativity or novelty in life situation.

Jesus' Family Trade

"And he could do no deed of power there" (Mark 6.5a). A lot of times we don't give ourselves permission for this to be our first response, but it is what it is. Here's Jesus, new to the ministry scene but as the gospels emphasize, his hometown, his family's reputation and even father's occupation gave him a reputation.

Mark says, "He went to Capernaum; and when the Sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught. They were astounded at his teaching." Using the word, "astounded" is softening the reaction, I believe – "shocked witless" would come closer. The word around town would soon be, "Aren't you sorry you missed temple this week, wait till you hear who got up to speak." The congregation quickly distinguishes Jesus from the normal preachers: "He taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes."

Authority vs. Grace

Authority, as having capacity, ability and power, needs grace. Jesus stood out because he had these qualities. Today, many people choose their leaders because they give the impression that they are "just like us." They would be ones that we would want to sit down and have a beer with. Perhaps Jesus would do that too, but he clearly stood out and rose above us in his capacity to love, his ability to teach and his power to affect change from the status quo.

Jesus' public ministry was anything but anemic, low-key, or forgettable. Clearly, there was nothing mediocre about Jesus. On the contrary, Jesus and his ministry were vigorous, attracted much attention and made deep impressions on people. Unlike the scribes, Pharisees or others claiming strong religious convictions, Jesus taught with authority. Not only was Jesus a powerful figure in the sense of the good he accomplished, but those whose lives he touches also became powerful by accomplishing good things or acquiring positive characteristics previously beyond their reach.

Being a Follower of Christ

Being a follower of Christ is not a matter of skill, resources, or membership as is inclusion on the roll of a club or a fraternity. Being a follower of Christ – a disciple – is a matter of understanding one's capacities of faith in Christ Jesus. It means following, being a student, being like a mentor, a guide, a teacher, one who sets an example of authority, not in a dominating sense, but in an empowering sense. Following Christ means learning to do what Christ did. Being a disciple means helping others recognize their capacities for improved lives through faith in Christ. It means bringing healing to those places that are sick and broken. It means bringing life to those places where only death reigns. People are called by God into a disciple relationship to have a positive influence in life. In Mark 6.7, Jesus called the disciples, divided them into pairs, and then gave them authority."

Jesus preached in his hometown of Nazareth. People there were also shocked witless. They questioned his wisdom and his deeds of power. They questioned his authority, right? "And he could do no deed of power there." Because he did not have the prayerful support of his people, his congregation, and his community, Jesus' power in ministry was compromised. This stands to make us seek new understanding of the notions of an omnipotent God. We are needed! Jesus needs us to exert his capacity, ability and power! We are Christ's hands and feet! Jesus' authority is most certainly relational. Our spiritual leaders and our church need your prayerful support and involvement! You might, think, what possible change could I make? The capacity of the disciples to fulfill their roles had little relationship with their ability to do anything. Their success in completing the divinely assigned task was contingent on their ability to be who God called them to be.

Belief and Works

In Nazareth, the clear implication is that if they had believed in him, Jesus could have done a great deal more. The spiritual climate and vitality of a church, its sense of expectancy, its openness to the power of God at work through Jesus Christ, will in fact have a great deal to do with how much God's power can accomplish in a particular community. Our unbelief, apathy or lethargy does not render God useless, but when it is dominant in a congregation its dampening effect on the mighty acts of God in that time and place is evident and sad.

"What have you to do with us Jesus? Pity the thoughts that go: "Mind your own business. Our business is our own. Get back to Palestine. Get back to the Bible. Get back to the church. Get back anywhere, so long as you don't interfere." "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to save us? I know who you are, you are the Holy One of God."

Practical Conclusion

When we get back to Christ, we become complete. Without Jesus, our life is incomplete. When Jesus intervened in the life of that demoniac, he protested; but Jesus healed him. Many of us need to get back to Christ in spite of the circumstances that do not favour this process. Those who come to Christ will never be disappointed and will never go empty handed.

God bless you!

Fr. Rudy, OCD

“Work hard everyday at increasing your purity of heart, which consists in appraising things and weighing them in the balance of God’s will.”
- St. Francis de Sales

Daily Readings
14th Week in Ordinary Time



Monday: July 4
Hosea 2:14,15b-16,19-20;
Psalm 145; Matthew 9:18-26
Tuesday: July 5
Hosea 8:4-7, 11-13; Psalm 115;
Matthew 9:32-36
Wednesday: July 6
Hosea 10:1-3; Psalm 105;
Matthew 10:1-7
Thursday: July 7
Hosea 11:1, 3-5b, 8c-9
Psalm 80; Matthew 10:7-15
Friday: July 8
Hosea 14:1-9; Psalm 51;
Matthew 10:16-23
Saturday: July 9
Isaiah 6:1-8; Psalm 93;
Matthew 10:24-33

Mass Offerings

July 4 - July 10, 2016

Monday 7:00 pm-
+Dave Horvath+
By: Jo Ringdahl & Family
Tuesday 8:00 am-
+ Tony Tiampo +
By: Helen Tiampo
Wednesday 8:00 am-
+Kenneth Burbridge +
By: Burbridge Family
Thursday 8:00 am-
+Amparo & Lorenzo Tuells+
By: Connie Perez
Friday 8:00 am-
+Basim Hazzan+
By: Ignatius Rozario
Saturday —
9:00 am:
+Rosemarie Mascarenhas +
By: Theresa Dagenais
4:00 pm: -
+Maurice LeGallais +
By: Sally Ringdahl
Sunday
9:00 am—**+Bartholomew Walsh+**
By: Jay Anover
11:00 am
+Leon Tiampo+
By: Helen Tiampo
12:30 pm—
Sp. Intentions of Guardian Angels Parishioners

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Saturday, July 16th

Join us in our celebration with a Holy Mass at 10:00 am at St. Edmund’s Parish. The Main Celebrant will be Bishop Terrio. After the Mass, Scapulars will be blessed & distributed along with devotional prayers to Our Lady of Mount Carmel. A reception will follow in the Parish Hall. All are welcome!

Silent Retreat at Carmel Hill—‘The Holy Longing of the Soul’

With Angelina Muniz (Lumen Vitae’s Team) and Fr. Alwyn Sequiera (OCD), as Facilitators. Starts Friday, July 22 at 5 pm and ends on Sunday, July 24th at 2:30 pm. Donation of \$185 (includes accommodation, meals from Friday, Saturday and Sunday). Limited to 36 persons per double occupancy. For registration: 604 971-0347; 778-668-7033 or 1 604-980-6808 or email: angelina@vidahumanaedu.org; abue@writeme.com Please see poster in the Church foyer.

‘Centering Prayer’ group meets Wednesday, July 6 at 7:30 pm in the basement of the Rectory’

Seniors’ Tea will be on Wednesday, July 20 at 2:00 pm.

IN AND AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

Rosary Rally — CANCELLED

Rosary Rally on Saturday, July 9 at 10am at the South Plaza of the Vancouver Art Gallery CANCELLED

St. Patrick Regional Secondary School has openings for students entering Grade 9 in the 2016-2017 school year. For more information or if you are interested, please contact St. Patrick’s School at 604-874-6422 or by email at administration@stpats.bc.ca.

*Farewell Event - Bishop Elect Joseph Nguyen

Please join in celebrating the appointment of Bishop-Elect Joseph Nguyen as the sixth bishop of Kamloops. Mass will be celebrated on Sunday, July 31, at 5pm at Saint Patrick’s Parish, Vancouver. A ticketed dinner will follow in St. Patrick’s Recreation Centre. Tickets are \$35 and can be purchased online at rcav.org/tickets We would also like to send off Bishop-elect Nguyen to Kamloops with a spiritual bouquet. Visit rcav.org/event/farewell-celebration-fr-joseph-nguyen/ to add your prayers!

PERMANENT DIACONATE ACCEPTING NEW APPLICATIONS

Archbishop Miller has announced that a third group of men will begin formation for the Permanent Diaconate in September. Classes will run from September to June on one Friday evening and one Saturday each month. Efforts will be made to accommodate the needs of men with younger families. Men aged 31-60 are eligible to apply, with the firm support of their wives. For more information or application forms, contact Msgr. Gregory Smith at gsmith@rcav.org

Nurturing Our Spiritual Life in Busy Times

What is it to nurture a spiritual life? What is a wise spiritual use of our time? Partake in the sacraments and prayer practices, and learn about practical strategies for improving our spiritual lives while balancing sometimes full and hectic schedules. For more info contact: www.stmarkscollege.ca, continuing@stmarkscollege.ca, or 604-822-4463.

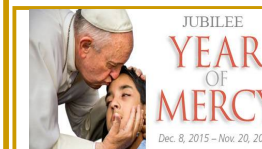
“Therefore, let us offer through Jesus a continual sacrifice of praise to God, proclaiming our allegiance to His name.”

St. Paul to the Hebrews
13:15

Project Advance Annual Appeal

Parish Goal: \$50,000

THANK YOU to those who have already submitted their pledges and donations. To date, the total amount of donations received is **\$ 31,298.94**. Our parish rebate this year will help defray the cost of repainting the Church building and the Rectory of Guardian Angels. If you haven’t yet, please take home a brochure with enclosed pledge form found in the Church foyer and drop in the Sunday collection with your donation. No amount is too big or too small. Any amount you donate will make a difference.



Reflection July 3, 2016

“After Jesus has come into the world it is impossible to act as if we do not know God, or as if he were something that is abstract, empty, a purely nominal reference. No, God has a real face, he has a name: God is mercy.”

- Pope Francis



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Legion of Mary (Mother of our Savior)

Rufina Amandiz - 604 325-9921

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Susan Hauck—604 278-6346

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CFC– Foundation for Family & Life

Benny Luarca –778-317-0069

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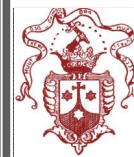
Parish Volunteers Screening Committee

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Let us pray for those in our long-term prayer list

Maggie, Anthony Petrina, Geoffrey & Doreen DeSousa, Joyce Kisoondath, Pat Williamson, Masooma Noorzai, Andre Costa, Hassiran Hakim, Elizabeth Walton, Barry McDermott, Eddie Bilek, Lucille Johnston, Ralph Milburn, Milta Rapalo, Ida Brown, Sonja Lawrence, Colleen Mason, Jara Asterova, Zenaida Nicolas, Doreen Millburn, Helena Glavot, Zeenith Garay, Florence Nichols, Joanne Borrys and all the sick / shut-ins of our Parish whom we may not know by name.



Carmel Hill

Carmel Hill is an ideal venue for either personal or group retreats (Church groups only). For more details, visit www.carmelhill.ca

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