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ST. ISIDORE

Roman Catholic Parish

Sunday Bulletin • Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
June 28, 2026

Pastor's Message



This Sunday's Gospel is the conclusion of the instructions and consolations that we have heard Jesus offering to his disciples during the past few weeks. In this passage, Jesus summarizes both the costs of discipleship – “whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me” - and its rewards. Once again, our understanding of the Gospel is strengthened by considering the context in which it was written and the perspective of St. Matthew's audience which was principally a Jewish Christian community. The conditions of discipleship outlined in St. Matthew's Gospel may appear harsh. Yet they underline for us a truth — choosing anything with one's whole heart has consequences. Choosing life with Christ means that every relationship we have must be understood from a new perspective. For many in the Matthean community, this choice brought division to their family. The evangelist also outlines the reward of hospitality offered to Jesus' followers. In today's Gospel, Jesus explains the difficulties of discipleship yet reveals that those who welcome the disciples also welcome him. (cf. Sunday Connection – Loyola Press)

This past week brought to a close the school year for our elementary and high school students. We have been blessed by the celebration of the sacraments with our young people and their families. May these months of summer bring to them, and to all of us, a time of rest, renewal and recreation in the beauty of God's creation. Our “home and native land” Canada is one of countless blessings. On July 1st, let us remember to offer a prayer of thanksgiving and pray that the Christian values which were the founding principles of our Confederation will continue to guide those in government and in the judiciary.

Many parishioners are aware that Antonella del Papa, one of our office employees, is moving for family reasons and, thus, leaving our parish. In her administrative and pastoral work, Antonella brought a unique set of gifts that have served our faith community in many ways, notably encouraging the faith development of our young children and high schoolers. Antonella's departure has obliged us to review our current staffing, mindful of the financial challenges that are still part of our reality. The decision has been made to reduce the hours allotted to the administrative and pastoral tasks formerly covered by Antonella. One result is that there will be only one full-time employee in the Parish Office – Bella Fischer. By necessity, office hours will be reduced. Effective July 1st, regular office hours will be Wednesday and Thursday from 10 am to 3 pm. Outside of those days and hours, we ask you to make an appointment to ensure that someone will be available to assist you at the office.

Monday is the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul. In St. Peter's, Pope Leo will be conferring the pallium on the new metropolitan archbishops. This ancient custom is a sign of their communion with the Pope, the Bishop of Rome.

Sunday Readings

Sunday, June 28 – 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time 6th World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly

2 Kings 4.8-12a, 14-17

This man is a holy man of God. He can stay here whenever he comes to us.

Psalms 89

Forever I will sing of your steadfast love, O Lord.

Romans 6.3-4, 8-11

We have been buried with Christ Jesus by baptism into death, so we too might walk in newness of life.

Matthew 10.37-42

Whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Whoever welcomes you welcomes me.

Liturgies

Saturday, June 27 – 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Confessions 3:00 pm – 3:45 pm

4:30 pm For the intentions of the living and deceased members of St. Isidore Parish

Sunday, June 28 – 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am No requested Intention

11:00 am + Perfecto Vélez Ortiz and María Jesús Macho González by their family

Tuesday, June 30

9:00 am No requested Intention

Wednesday, July 1 – Canada Day

9:00 am + Yvette Lussier by her family and friends

Thursday, July 2

9:00 am For the personal intentions of Janice O'Dacre by Fran Sullivan

7:00 pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday, July 3 – St. Thomas, apostle

Confessions 9:00 am – 9:45 am

10:00 am For the deceased members of the Burke and Quesnel families by Donna Lee Burke

Parish Announcements

❖ **The parish office will be closed all day on Canada Day, Wednesday, July 1. However, the liturgical schedule remains unchanged.** Morning Mass will be celebrated at 9:00 am.

❖ **Attention High Schoolers – AV Volunteers Needed!** Do you enjoy, or are you curious about, video production? When you watch TV at home, are you the one who likes to control the remote? If you are looking to complete your high school community involvement hours, we need you! **We are looking for a few reliable volunteers to supplement our**

existing Saturday 4:30 PM Mass streaming team. You will help film the Mass and upload it to our YouTube channel for our homebound parishioners. Full training is provided. For more information, please contact Antonella at the Parish Office.

❖ **Would you like to share your Gifts of Time and Talent?** Please contact the Parish Office if you are interested in volunteering for one of the Ministries below. A Ministry lead will then reach out to you. You may call Antonella del Papa at (613) 592-1961 ext. 1 or fill in this [form](#).

Lectors	Eric Funk
Ushers / Collectors	Dan Fischer
Extraordinary Eucharistic Ministers	Anne Desjardins
High School Volunteers	Antonella
Welcome Hosts	Teresa Mallen
Sacristans	Jacques St. Denis
Altar Servers, Pastoral Care	Anne Seniuk

❖ **Life in the Spirit Intercessory Prayer Team Sought** The Core Team, responsible for hosting Fr. Bob Poole and his Life in the Spirit Seminar Team this fall, is seeking prayerful members of the Parish, to pray for the specific needs of the Core Team as well as for Fr. Bob and his Team. Intercessory Team members would pray within their own environments. If you are prepared to be an intercessor, please email Brian at brian@sarsfield.ca

❖ **Parish Office Schedule Change** Please note that starting the week of **July 6th**, the parish office hours will change. Previously open Tuesday through Friday, the new hours will be **Wednesdays and Thursdays from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm**. This update applies to office hours only. The weekday Mass schedule will remain unchanged (Tuesdays–Thursdays at 9:00 am, and Fridays at 10:00 am).

The Holy Father's Prayer Intention for July

For respect for human life.

Let us pray for the respect and protection of human life in all its stages, recognizing it as a gift from God.

In our community

❖ **Murder Mystery Dinner: "The Bell Tower Tolls for Thee"** Support repairs to Our Lady of Fatima's Bell Tower on Sunday, July 12 at Our Lady of Fatima Hall (153 Woodroffe Ave). Doors open at 4:30 p.m., and the interactive murder mystery begins at 5:00 p.m. Tickets are \$100 per person (includes a \$50 charitable tax receipt) and cover a three-course dinner, prizes and access to a cash bar. Please note this is an adults-only event. Secure your spot by calling their parish office at (613) 722-7661.