

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - JUNE 27, 2010

Mass Intentions for This week!



Monday, 8:30 am - Msgr Jack Cartwright †
Tuesday, 8:30 am - John Baptist Pinto †
Wednesday, 8:30 am - Evelyn Brugos †
Thursday, 12:00 noon - Souls in Purgatory †
Santos / Ma Song Song
Friday, 8:30 am - Peter Cullen †
Saturday, 4:30 pm - Harry Kightly †



July 4th

1st Reading: Isaiah 66: 10 - 14
2nd Reading: Galatians 6: 14 - 18
Gospel: Luke 10: 1 - 12, 17 - 20

“SHEPHERD” GOLF TOURNAMENT:

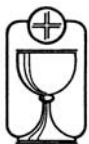


Saturday, August 14th, 2010.
A reminder to those who have registered ...
your fees (\$140.00 per golfer) are now due!



This is the last time that we will be requesting your assistance on behalf of ShareLife as our campaign winds down. If you have yet to contribute, please look deep within your heart and consider giving what you can. More than 100,000 people rely on your generosity to assist the charities that service their needs. God will bless you for your kindness.

FIRST FRIDAY NOTICE :



Mass on First Fridays for the summer months of July through September will be at 8:30 am only. There will be no exposition or evening Mass at Good Shepherd Parish until October.

EVENING WATCH:



Parishioners are encouraged to attend First Friday devotions at The Newman Centre Chapel (St. George St. and Hoskin Ave.) 8:00 pm - 10:00 pm (Mass, Exposition, Rosary and Benediction).

VACATION TIME:



If you hold a position of importance at our Weekend Masses, we would like to remind you that our Masses will continue as scheduled. By finding a substitute to take your place, you will be helping to ensure that our Liturgical Celebrations will remain as meaningful as possible for those who attend.

ARE YOU GOING TO BE AWAY?



Please remember that the Lord does not take a vacation. Therefore, if you can't be with us here at Good Shepherd, do make every effort to attend Sunday Mass where you are! Have a safe and happy holiday.

ANNUAL MASS FOR THE FAITHFULLY DEPARTED:



Catholic Cemeteries - Archdiocese of Toronto wishes to invite all families within the Archdiocese of Toronto to participate in the Annual Mass for the Faithfully Departed on Wednesday, August 11th, 2010 at 7:00 pm. Cemetery locations are as follows:

Assumption, Mississauga Christ the King, Markham
Holy Cross, Thornhill Mount Hope, Toronto
Resurrection, Whitby St. Mary's, Barrie
Queen of Heaven, Woodbridge

ALL ARE WELCOME

Alternate rain day details are posted on the bulletin board at the back of the church.

SPECIAL NOTICE:



This will be the final bulletin until Labour Day. For your convenience, daily Mass intentions will be posted on the bulletin board in the foyer. If you have any questions concerning upcoming events or pulpit announcements, please do not hesitate to contact the office.

HAVE A SAFE
AND HAPPY
SUMMER





“No one who looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.”

In a plush hotel room in the north of England, a young man and woman sit side by side on a sofa. The man cradles his head in his hands and weeps bitterly. Before long the woman also breaks down in tears. On armchairs and sofas arranged around the room, eight people sit, watching the couple intently. Some sit stony-face, others wipe away their own tears. For a few moments, the only sound is the couple’s sobbing. One woman in particular looks on dispassionately. Eventually she speaks: “so, Anna, are you going?” Anna is unable to answer through her tears. The woman turns to the man: “Richard?” Swollen eyes, Richard nods. Smiles break out all around, when the young woman also accepts the challenge.

For eight years up to this point, Richard and Anna have been drug addicts. What we are witnessing is a television documentary about the work of Tracy Towner, a pioneer of the controversial shock treatment for drug addicts known as “intervention therapy”. Richard and Anna had been invited to take part in a film about their addiction. They thought they were going to this hotel room for a straightforward interview. They had not expected to be confronted by their families, who read prepared statements and delivered a stark ultimatum: Either you go from this room right now, straight into rehab, or we cut you out of our lives.

Tracey Towner’s therapy has caused controversy as a treatment. It may or may not work in the long term, but it contains a powerful message the same that lies at the heart of today’s Old Testament and Gospel readings, and is contained in many expressions we use: “There is no time like the present”, “It’s now or never”, “Seize the day”, and “Don’t look back”.

The young couple, Anna and Richard went into separate rehab facilities for six weeks. When they came out they barely recognized each other, or the drug-befuddled life of squalor and thieving they had been living before. With nothing to lose but a pernicious habit, they had answered their call.

Each of us, at some time in our lives, may have to face a new call, a new challenge, and it may mean that we have to look afresh at our lives. What are your habits; your attachments? They may not be drugs, wealth or family. Train yourself to identify them, watch them carefully, note when they get in the way. Are you addicted to rich food? Are you obsessed with your home, its furnishings, the trappings of your lifestyle? How would you react if someone insisted you give up your hobby or your television? These are all things we can survive without though sometimes we feel that the world would stop revolving if we had to. Your vocation may be to take on the mantle of a prophet, or you may be called to love and help your neighbour. Is there something that holds you back?



On July 1, 1867, Canada became a self-governing dominion of Great Britain and a federation of four provinces: Nova Scotia; New Brunswick; Ontario; and Quebec. The anniversary of this date was called Dominion Day until 1982. Since 1983, July 1 has been officially known as Canada Day.

As we celebrate Canada’s birthday, Canadians should seek to be witnesses to Christ in Canada and the world, and to continue working to influence those in government to act from Christian principles and attitudes.

Christians, realizing they do not have a lasting home here, should pray and work for justice and peace in Canada and throughout the world, so that all God’s people may share in the goods of this earth. God’s kingdom will come only when all people are ready to let Christ’s teaching guide and rule their lives and actions.

Families are encouraged to mark this day by prayer for our country and its leaders, and by taking a few moments to give serious consideration to their responsibilities as citizens. They should consider what they are doing for peace in Canada and in the world.

We also urge you to take advantage of the many Canada Day Activities and Events. Come together with members of our multicultural community, to discover and appreciate the wealth and diversity of Canadian society, and show your love of Canada and your pride in being Canadian!



On the Lighter Side!

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**“Pssst! You should be back at the office!
Vacations are for lazy people!
What have you accomplished today?”**