

ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SCRIPTURE MESSAGE: Today's Gospel Reading consists of two parables about seeds. In the first, Jesus tells those gathered that this is "how it is with the kingdom of God." A man scatters seed which over time sprouts and develops. Then when the grain is ripe, the man harvests his crop. The emphasis in the parable is on the seed, which seemingly has the power to grow on its own. In this it is like the Kingdom of God. While on earth, Jesus planted the seeds of the kingdom by his life, miracles, teaching, and suffering. However, the kingdom is not yet fully established. Although already present in Jesus and his group of twelve, it has yet to come to fruition; just as the seed in the parable needs time to grow, so does God's kingdom. The second parable focuses on the tiny mustard seed. Though not the smallest of all seeds, it is most likely the smallest that a first-century farmer in Jesus' part of the world would have sown. Small as the mustard seed is, it develops into a tree. Though the mustard tree generally averages only nine to twelve feet in height, it has a wide expanse and provides a nesting place for birds. Just as the tree welcomes the birds, so is God's kingdom welcoming and open to many. These parables help us discern something about the kingdom of God and our own faith. In God we live and move and have our being, but God is a mystery and his kingdom, though present, has not yet come into its fullness. The mission of proclaiming the Good News of the Kingdom given to the Apostles is now given to us. That is why in the Lord's Prayer, we pray, "thy kingdom come." We know that it will come in its fullness at the end of time. **All we need is faith.**

A BLESSING TO ALL FATHERS: Happy Father's Day to all who have fathers or stepfathers, who had fathers or who are fathers! These holidays of our culture are not exactly high holy days of the church, but they do give us reason to pause, to pray for and to reflect on our fathers whom we honor. Five weeks ago we offered Mass for our moms. Today, on this Father's Day, we are doing the same, offering our dads – living or dead – on the altar of God during this Holy Mass, invoking our heavenly Father's blessings on them.



Father's Day Prayer

God our Father,
you govern and protect your people
and shepherd them with a father's love.
You place a father in a family
as a sign of your love, care,
and constant protection.

May fathers everywhere be faithful
to the example shown in the Scriptures:
steadfast in love, forgiving
transgressions, sustaining the family,
caring for those in need.

Give your wisdom to fathers
that they may encourage and
guide their children.
Keep them healthy
so they may support a family.

Guide every father
with the Spirit of your love
that they may grow in holiness
and draw their family ever closer to you.
Amen

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MASS SCHEDULE JUNE 16 - 24, 2018		
Saturday, June 16	5:15 p.m.	Robert Gladu
Sunday, June 17	8:30 a.m.	Our Parishioners
	10:00 a.m.	Jean Noel
Tuesday, June 19	6:30 p.m.	Unannounced Mass
Wednesday, June 20	9:00 a.m.	Deceased members of the Keith family
Thursday, June 21	8:30 a.m.	Deceased members of the Hancock family
Friday, June 22	11:00 a.m.	BRIDLEWOOD MANOR Deceased members of the Clarke family
Saturday, June 23	5:15 p.m.	Our Parishioners
Sunday, June 24	8:30 a.m.	Tom Barr
	10:00 a.m.	Unannounced Mass
The Sanctuary Candle burns this week for: All Fathers		

Weekly Target: \$3500.00	Actual Offering – June 10: \$ 3837.35	Operating Surplus: \$ 337.35
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PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL: Please pray for: Reggie Bernardo, Armand L'Anglais, Fr. Martin, Hilda Armstrong, Gerard Parker, Valerie Cooper, Mary Lambert, Denis & Norma Savage, Dorothy Meaney, Stella Alberry, Heidi Reid, Gerald & Irene Moriarty, Bibin John, Leone McIntyre, Justin Lefave, Ann Ruigrok, Maurice Belec, Margaret Smith, Grant Marshall, Margrite Dezainde, John Beriau, Debbie Freer, Shelley McCaffrey, Stella Popek, Brian Brougham and Ronald Roy.

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Sunday, June 17	10:00 a.m. Mass	Baptism Crystal Lucy Pham
Wednesday, June 20	9:30 – 11:00 a.m.	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Thursday, June 21	9:30 – 11:00 a.m.	Prayer Group in the Chapel
	12:00 p.m.	Liturgy Committee
Saturday, June 23	3:30 p.m.	Baptism Portia Elizabeth Reisen
Sunday, June 24	11 a.m. – 1 p.m.	St. John Bosco Parish Picnic

“The smallest seed becomes the greatest of all shrubs.” Mark 4.26-34

JUNE 17, 2018

MINISTRY SCHEDULES				
<i>MASS TIMES</i>	<i>HOSPITALITY</i>	<i>LECTORS</i>	<i>EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS</i>	<i>ALTAR SERVERS</i>
Saturday, June 23 5:15 p.m.	Josie Bracamonte Carol Ravaas	Sarah and Clancy McDonald	Joanne Story Sylvia Shackles	Allie White Samantha Glashan Grace Kelly
Sunday, June 24 8:30 a.m.	Noreen Shepherd Rick Zabloski	Marc and Phyllis Dennis	Heather Charbonneau Susan Visneski	Grace Whiteland Evan Duffy
Sunday, June 24 10:00 a.m.	Noreen and Peter Shea	David Cody Christine Provost	Deacon Shawn Souder Norma Burns	Christopher Logstrup Joshua O'Keefe

CONGRATULATIONS: and prayerful best wishes to Crystal Lucy Pham who is being received into baptism on **June 17** and her parents Khai Pham and Diep Nguyen and may God continue to bless you as you teach your child to grow in faith.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY: Prayerful best wishes to all who are celebrating wedding anniversaries in June:

Neil and Margaret Cameron	57 years	June 17
Allan and Mary Ferguson	33 years	June 22
Larry and Lorraine Horahan	29 years	June 24

MISSING: The key to the outdoor faucet went missing during the Knights of Columbus yard sale/CWL plant sale. If anyone has found it, please return it to the office as soon as possible. The faucet does not work well without it.

PARISH PICNIC – SAVE THE DATE: Please mark your calendars for the St. John Bosco Parish Barbecue and Picnic – **Sunday, June 24th after the 10:00 a.m. Mass.** The Parish Pastoral Council will provide hamburgers, hotdogs and drinks. Sign-up sheets for appetizers/snacks, salads and desserts are in the atrium. What a great way to meet and greet your fellow parishioners! If anyone has a barbecue for us to use for this picnic, please contact the parish office.

GROCERY CERTIFICATES: Please buy and use grocery cards. This program is an important source of funds for the parish, at no extra cost to you. They can be purchased before and after all weekend Masses or from the office on weekdays.

ST. ANNE DE BEAUPRE PILGRIMAGE: This pilgrimage will be held on **August 11-12**. The bus leaves from Brockville Saturday morning and drops back off Sunday night. The cost is from \$182 each for 2 to \$152 each for up to 5 in a group. Anyone interested can contact Tara Long at 613-349-0131 or by email long.tara@hotmail.com.

SUMMER MASS TIMES AT ST. FRANCIS XAVIER: During July and August weekend Mass times at St. Francis

Xavier will be **5:15 p.m. on Saturday and 10:00 a.m. & 7:30 p.m. on Sunday.**

CLERGY APPOINTMENTS: **Father Stéphane Pouliot**, Administrator of St. Anthony of Padua Parish, Centreville, Assumption Parish, Erinsville, and Annunciation Parish, Enterprise, is appointed Pastor of St. Anthony of Padua Parish, Centreville, Assumption Parish, Erinsville, and Annunciation Parish, Enterprise, effective immediately. **Father Brian Russell** is appointed Associate Pastor of St. Michael the Archangel Parish, Belleville, effective July 5 2018. **Father Paul Mawalla** is appointed Associate Pastor at St. Mary's Cathedral and St. Paul the Apostle Parish, Kingston, effective June 1 2018. **Seminarian Michel Quenneville** is appointed, for his pastoral internship year, to St. Paul the Apostle Parish, Kingston, effective August 2 2018. **Father Boby Joy**, who has been serving as Associate Pastor at St. Michael the Archangel Parish in Belleville, is leaving the Archdiocese of Kingston to serve the Syro Malabar community in Ottawa.

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD OF THE LORD: PROCLAMATION* is the public reading of the Old and New Testaments of the Holy Bible. It is a cooperative effort by the Canadian Bible Society and the local churches to raise the profile of the Bible and to encourage Canadians to explore the riches and relevance of the Scriptures. It will take place at four local churches on **June 18 - 22, 2018**. For further details contact Lesley Rusk at 613-345-5909.

JOKE OF THE WEEK: "I learned it from you, Daddy." The Talmud tells us, "A child tells in the street what its father says at home." Much to the embarrassment of many parents, this adage is true. One father tells of taking his three-year-old son with him to see Grandma and Papa. While visiting, Grandma and her grandson baked cookies while dad and Papa watched a football game. Upon tasting a sample from the first batch, the three-year-old held the cookie out saying, "Damn, this is good!" Grandma gasped. The father jumped from his chair and corrected his son saying, "That's not a nice word! Where did you learn that word?" The boy instantly replied, "I learned it from you, Daddy. You say it every time Momma fixes supper."

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