



Saint Joseph's Parish

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6th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C | February 13, 2022

BLESSED THE ONE WHO TRUSTS IN THE LORD.

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Reconciliation
by appointment
Baptism
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Matrimony
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In Luke's gospel, Jesus repeatedly overturns our comforting expectations. This Sunday, Jesus tells us that the poor, the hungry and those who weep are blessed, but woe to those who are rich, well-fed and laughing. "Woe to you when all speak well of you." Jesus is not laying down moral principles here; he is speaking directly to me.

This is not what I want to hear on a cold Sunday in February. The winter has been long, and I am anxious for spring to arrive. I am glad to have a warm home, good food and good company, but I still want more. I always want more of the good things of life. But Jesus says, "You have received your consolation."

In two and a half weeks, Lent will begin. My goal for this season should be to go deeper than prayer, fasting and almsgiving. While essential, those are externals. Rather, such practices should help me grow more deeply into Christ.

My solidarity with Jesus includes a solidarity with the poor, the hungry and the sorrowful. Solidarity means more than a feeling of unity in my heart; it means that I in some way, experience what the marginal ones are experiencing. Ascetic practices can nurture that experience. Better still is to have an encounter with those who suffer. Through this encounter, February will become spring.

Glen Argan St. Joseph's Missal pg. 179



Holy Trinity
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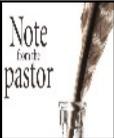
*"Be my protector, O
God, a mighty
stronghold to save
me. For you are my
rock, my stronghold!
Lead me, guide me,
for the sake of your
name."*

Psalms 30.3-4



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Choosing to walk in the flesh or walk in the Spirit: Jeremiah (1st reading) offers us two basic orientations to life: we can choose either to walk in the flesh or walk in the Spirit. To choose to walk in the flesh is to put our trust exclusively in our own human power, ignoring the divine source of our being. To choose to walk in the Spirit is to put our total hope and trust in the Lord. The option of the flesh may provide us with wealth, power and prestige (Luke prefers to call these “woes”), but it will often eventually lead to a life of sterility and emptiness. The option of the Spirit, one that trusts completely in the Lord, will dispose us for God’s ultimate blessings. Each day of our lives provides occasions that require us to make choices between these opposites.

Homework: find one material thing in your possession that you can give to the Neighbourlink store to sell to those in need.

February 14– Valentine’s Day – various legends surround this holiday including Christian martyrs, Roman cults, and Chaucer’s *The Canterbury Tales*. There may be an element of truth in each story. But for us today, it is a day that we can commit to a deeper and less superficial commitment to love. A deeper commitment to love is rooted in the willingness to sacrifice for the other. Consider celebrating this day by committing to an act of sacrifice for one you love (or many that you love).

Canadian Indigenous Delegation Meeting with Pope Francis – COVID restrictions have rescheduled the meeting to March 28 to April 1st – with multiple gatherings scheduled. CCCB website contains more information.

Indigenous Fund: the diocesan funds collected throughout all Canadian Dioceses will be managed by a new registered charity, Indigenous Reconciliation Fund, subject to an audit by an independent accounting firm. See CCCB official news release for more information

MASS OPEN TO PUBLIC: directives in line with all of providence (masks and 50% occupancy without vaccination checks)

TO HELP PEOPLE FEEL COMFORTABLE, we are offering (1) in-person mass (2) Parking Lot radio participation (tune to frequency 97.3FM) with communion, and (3) for people unable to attend, there is streaming mass online through Parish Facebook.

CHURCH OPEN TO PUBLIC: from 8 to 8, Wednesday to Saturday; come for a quiet visit

ALPHA 2022: has completed the Holy Spirit weekend; please pray for the participants to deepen their weekend experience.... next ALPHA course starts September 2022.

FORMED.org – consider exploring the videos on reconciliation in preparation for the coming season of Lent; AND LOTS MORE ... TRY A VISIT TO THE SITE. (parishioners sign up for free; send email to stjosephsp93@gmail.com if you need instructions)

PARISH ACTIVITIES : come back to in-person masses Saturday at 5:00 or Sunday at 9:30; our Safety Plan includes the need to wear masks.

QUIET PARISH HEROS : the facilitators behind our parish offering ALPHA.

The Sermon on the Plain

"Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, because great is your reward in heaven. For that is how their fathers treated the prophets. Luke 6:23 (NIV)

The puzzle is based on Luke 6:17-26 (NIV).



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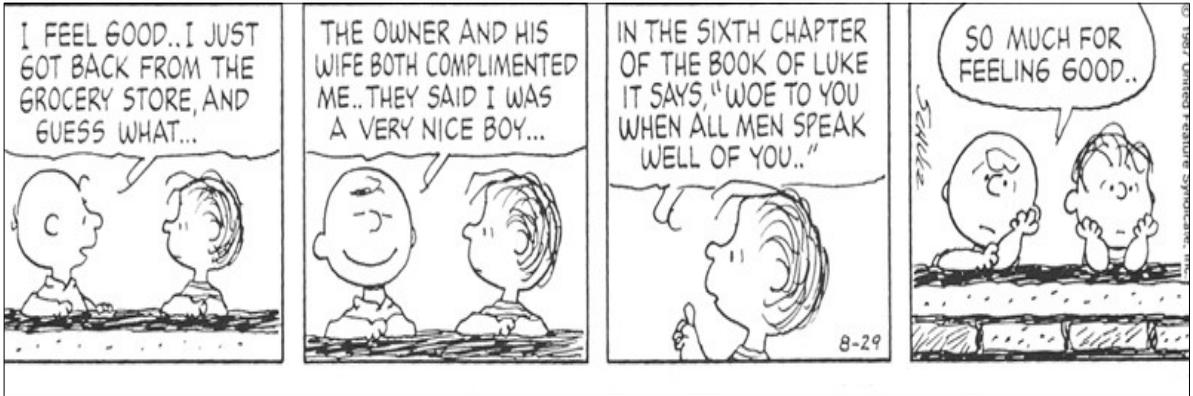
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Rejoice and leap for joy; for surely your reward is great in heaven. Luke 6.23

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat Dates

Many women, men, couples and relatives who have had an abortion experience suffer emotional and spiritual pain, afraid to reveal their deep secret.

We invite you to come on a Rachel's Vineyard Weekend Retreat where you will receive God's mercy, compassion and grace to replace shame, guilt, anger and grief.

Registration is open now. Confidentiality is assured. Please see below for retreat dates and contact information:

Kelowna Retreat – March 11-13, 2022

Call: 250-762-2273

Email: info@rachelsvineyardkelowna.com

Website: www.rachelsvineyardkelowna.ca

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and for all who are in need
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