

Ninth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Pastor's Corner

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The Hail Mary is probably the most popular prayer known by Catholics outside the mass. It forms part of the rosary, the Angelus, night prayer, and certain otherwise hopeless situations involving a football.

It took us hundreds of years to write the Hail Mary. The first part came easy. It draws from the angel Gabriel's annunciation to Mary that she would give birth to Jesus: "Hail, full of grace, the Lord is with you" (Lk 1:28). When Mary visited Elizabeth, pregnant with John the Baptist, Elizabeth greeted her with the next phrase we use in the prayer, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb" (Lk 1:42). Over a period of centuries Catholics combined these two greetings of Mary and made them our own, figuring if Gabriel and Elizabeth could get Mary's attention this way, maybe we could too. We strung these greetings together with our own prayer for Mary's intercession. Part scripture part tradition, the Hail Mary runs deep in Catholic spirituality.

Two popular prayer forms use the Hail Mary: the rosary and the Angelus. In the rosary, it serves as a mantra, a repetitive sequence of words, thoughts and rhythms that draw the believer into a prayerful trance before the mysteries of our salvation. In the Angelus it reminds the faithful three times a day of the incarnation, the Word of God becoming flesh.

In liturgical prayer, the Hail Mary has never staked out territory in the Mass. The Scripture quotations it borrows from Luke's Gospel do occur at Mass as antiphons and responses on feasts of Mary, but we usually substitute a hymn to Mary in their place. However, among liturgical prayers we find the Hail Mary at the one we call "night prayer." The liturgy of the hours is the official Catholic prayer form marking the principal hours of the day morning, daytime, evening and night. The brief service that ends the day concludes with a prayer to Mary. The church offers us several options here, but the most familiar of them is the Hail Mary, the last prayer of the day.

Your Brother in Christ,
Fr. Roy

Mass Time Change

On June 10th, 2008 the regular schedule 7pm Mass will be changed to 6:30pm.



Liturgical

Year of St. Paul/Opening Mass

His Grace, Archbishop Collins will be celebrating an Inaugural Mass on Saturday June 28th at 7:30pm at St. Paul's Basilica to open the year of St. Paul. This will be followed by a reception. He is asking that each parish send 4 representatives. If you are interested in attending please let Fr. Roy know.

1. Baptism Preparation: Thursday, June 19th @7:30pm. These sessions are for parents and Godparents; we ask that you make arrangements for your children, as they cannot be accommodated during this program. Please call the parish office to register.

49TH International Eucharistic Congress

Canada will host the 49th International Eucharistic Congress from June 15-22, 2008 in Quebec City. Catholics from all parts of Canada are invited to become Congress partners, first of all by taking advantage of this opportunity to renew their faith in the Eucharist, and secondly by helping to fund the numerous activities included in the program. A special envelope is in the foyer if you are able to donate.

ShareLife

"Because You Give..."

"Give, and there will be gifts for you: a full measure, pressed down, shaken together, and overflowing, will be poured into your lap; because the standard you use will be the standard used to you." Luke 6:38

Give with compassion and generosity according to the words of the Gospel of Luke. Because you give... your sacrificial gift today will help those in need, and allow ShareLife agencies to continue to make a difference in 2008!

Congratulations

To our **Confirmation students** Who have made their commitment, this weekend, to continue their journey with Christ. We support and pray for all of you. God Bless.



Confirmation Wrap Up & Distribution of Certificates

Monday, June 2nd at 7pm or
Wednesday, June 4th at 7pm

Sunday, June 1st, 2008



Organizations & Ministries

Fr. Justin's Goodbye

It is with joy and sadness that we announce Fr. Justin Desroches will be moving from our Parish Residence. Fr. Justin has been assigned to his own parish in downtown Toronto. Please join us on Thursday June 12th as Fr. Justin celebrates our 7pm Mass, followed by a get together in Seton Hall in honor of Fr. Justin!

Pub Night for "Kate Coen"

St. John's Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a "Pub Night" for those fighting Cancer on Friday June 13th at 8pm at the "Down Town" community Centre. Proceeds to Doane House Hospice and K.C's Cancer Cushion fund. Tickets are available by calling George Gregory at 905-895-3647 or Gerry Hearty at 905-895-9805. See letter with more info on the bulletin board.



CWG Closing Dinner

Tuesday June 10th
Dinner at 7pm after the 6:30pm Mass.
All ladies of the parish are welcome!
Price \$25.00 per person



K4J Vacation Bible School

REGISTER NOW!

Are you ready to surf with the Holy Spirit?!

Date: July 7-11th

8:45am to 12noon

Registration forms can be downloaded from our parish website.



Mark your calendars for our 15th Annual

St. Elizabeth Seton - Parish Picnic
Organized by the Knights of Columbus
Parents & Kids - Schools is Out!

Saturday, June 28th, @11:00am (Rain or Shine)
Anchor Park, Holland Landing

Games & fun for all Ages...Lunch & Drinks Included
All this for only a "Twoonie" - Kids 4 & under are Free!

Church Support

For the Month of May 2008

Offertory.....\$30,894.42
Countdown.....\$ 1,880.75
ShareLife.....\$ 9,622.75

Papal Charities.....\$ 1,545.50

We thank you for your support and generosity.



Social & Other

Mass Intentions

Date:	Mass for:	Mass Requested By:
Mon. June 2 8:00am	Hans van Groeningen (I)	The Gragtman
Tues. June 3 9:00am 7:00pm	Mike Heron (D) Margaret Mikulik (D)	Chris Dunlop Hugh & Caroline McCartney
Wed. June 4 8:00am	Maria Froio (D)	Antonio Froio & Family
Thur. June 5 9:00am 7:00pm	Tom & Moira Walker (I) Giovanni Dal Bianco (D) Philomoni Catania (D) Sivia & VilhoMansikka (D) Katherine Urquhart (I)	Duncan & Betty Drummond The Dal Bianco Family The family Suzanne & Eino Mansikka Joanne MacFarlane
Fri. June 6 8:00am	Souls in Purgatory (D)	Tammy & Lai Tran
Sat. June 7 9:00am 4:30pm	Beatification of Frank Duff (D) Mary Ennamorato (D)	Legion of Mary The Family
Sun. June 8 8:00am 9:30am 11:00am 7:00pm	Cis Moran (D) Joseph Duffy (D) Josephine Hailey (I) Rosa Angelo (D)	MacKenzie Family Duffy Family Ken & Betty Burke Maria Marcello

IMPORTANT NOTICE: Those Parishioners who have requested a Mass for either a deceased family/friend (D) or for a Special Intention (I) & who would like to take up the Offertory Gifts during that Mass, are asked to identify themselves to one of the Hospitality Ministers, before the Mass begins. This is especially important for Saturday or Sunday Masses.



Please pray for those who are sick and who love and minister to them:

Gail Burgess, Mike Welgan, Marta Lou, Tony Coleman, Frank Kelly, Sara Minatel, Giel Jonkhout, Debbie Howley, Donna Fantasia, Amalia Sirothc, Alana Brown-Wallace, Teresa Sedore, Martin VanLierop, George Ferguson, Connor Thompson, Peter Chatterton, Lorna Hedley, Anne Allen, Gertrudis Henriquez, Fr. Joe Curcio, Anne Dorian, Jim Marrelli, Mary Sorrentino, Christopher Nabuurs, Vincent Masci, Joe Pilienci, Jim Tobin, Pam James, Liz Law, Bronwyn, Carlos Fonseca, Patricia McNeill, Maria Pawliszko, Karen Anning, Angi Sooley, David Sooley, John Flemming, Jaime Bocanegra, Carlos Falconi, Anna Vincent, Mary McIntaggart, ...