

Focus of the Sunday Readings

Through placing our faith in God and living according to his commands, we become a source of hope.

As we read almost daily about terrorism and violence, it can seem like the good guys are losing. This is not the case. As long as believers in God's ways exist, there is hope that love will overtake hate, good will overtake evil. Jesus' perfect sacrifice of love upon the cross is definitive proof that the power of sin and evil has been defeated. What more do we need?

Our first reading from the Book of Wisdom recalls the great Exodus event. The people's faith in

God gave them courage to weather the storms they faced, Our reading from Hebrews recalls Abraham's journey of faith, which gave him the courage to follow through in doing God's will. In the Gospel, Jesus talks with his disciples about faithful and foolish stewards, encouraging them to choose wisely.

Jesus will strengthen us to persevere in our faith. We will share in his suffering, but also in the joy of his victory.

Following Jesus is not easy. In striving to live out our faith, we may at times find ourselves at odds with other people – even those who are closest to us. But we can turn to Jesus, who also suffered opposition and rejection, to give us the strength and grace needed to remain steadfast in faith and not lose heart.

The first reading tells of the prophet Jerimiah being thrown into a cistern and left to die as a result of being faithful to the Lord. The second reading reminds us to keep our eyes on Jesus – the leader and *perfecter* of faith. In the Gospel, Jesus teaches that living as one of his followers will cause us to experience persecution and resistance from others.

98th Annual Pilgrimage 2016 August 14-15th Skaro Shrine



On August 14th the celebrations begins with: 6:30 pm – Reconciliation
7:00 pm – Rosary 7:30 pm – Vespers 8:00 pm – Mass, *followed by a candlelight procession of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction.*

On Monday August 15, there will be a special Mass with the Sacrament of the sick at 10:00 am followed by the blessing of religious articles and a Blessed Sacrament procession.

The Skaro Shrine is 72 kilometers northeast of Edmonton, at the intersection of highway 45 and secondary highway 831. For more information see the poster at the back of the church.

One Rock 2016 Over the last seven years, One Rock has truly been a festival of faith that has touched the hearts of the young and old alike and gathered 12500 people. Held in the diocese of Calgary and supported by many organizations, the festival continues to be a unique event here in Western Canada: a weekend of music, inspiring talks, fellowship, and an encounter with Christ through the sacrament of Confession and the Holy Eucharist

During this Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy, we believe that God will use One Rock as an instrument where His children can experience His merciful love. All six Dioceses in Alberta are joining efforts for the One Rock Festival of Faith August 12,13&14. For more info see the posters at the back of the Church or visit there website at www.onerock.ca

THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)



RCIA assists those adults wishing to learn more about the Catholic Church. It is open to unbaptized adults, baptized Catholics who have not received the Initiation sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation. Sessions are usually held October through May, once a week in the evenings from 7 - 8:30 PM in the Rectory Downstairs. The program is defined by four periods of formation each marked by the celebration of liturgical rites in the parish. *If you are interested or you know someone who may be interested, please talk to them. You can talk to fr. Martin or fr. Mario.*

What is Camp St. Louis?



It is a faith based camp experience that will last a lifetime. It is run by young

adults, (Team) with Youth for Christ. During the week the team and campers participate in daily Mass, prayers, celebrating the sacraments, and a better understanding of the Catholic faith.

Outdoor activities include sports, singing, swimming, and nightly campfires. The camp can accommodate up to 80 campers including the counselors. Registration is on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Camp St. Louis hosts kids from ages 8 to 14, and a counselor week.

ALL ABOUT CAMP:

Fun and Games: Camp is loaded with activities such as swimming, hiking, volleyball, Frisbee, soccer, skits, "Capture the Flag," and other exciting games.

Deepen your faith: We celebrate the Mass almost everyday, listen to Talks, reflect on the life Christ, and participate in the sacrament of Reconciliation. We end each day by rejoicing and praising God through singing at Camp fire.

New Day Camp Only – Not an overnight Camp

For 5-7 Year olds on Aug 8-12, 2016. It's a Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday

Only 9 am to 3 pm @ Log Cabin

Fees for the Day Camp Are \$20.00 as a first time day camp weekly promotional fee. Payable to Camp St. Louis – a light lunch will be provided. **A maximum of 24 children will be accepted at Day Camp.**

*** Registration forms are available at the back of the church.**

First Reconciliation Confirmation First Eucharist for 2016/2017



Mark your calendars for the parents only meeting If you have children in **grade 3**, please come to the meeting and we will tell you about the preparation and what it will involve. Please know that this meeting is **for parents only**.

*** Tuesday September 13th at 7:00 pm Rectory Basement.**



Music In The Park

Again this year the parish is sponsoring summer music concerts on the grounds between the Church and rectory. (behind the clock tower) every second **TUESDAY** evening with the last event on Aug 16th starting at 7:00 pm till 8:30 pm. All are welcome. The concert is family friendly free events and feature area singer songwriters. Participants are only asked to bring a lawn chair or blanket and a donation to the Morinville Food Bank. Refreshments will be available and this year any cash donations will be directed to the Sturgeon Victim Services. Feel free to invite friends and neighbors. More info at www.morinvillesummertime.com.

Gift Cards Next Gift Card sales for the month of August are Aug 13th & 14th and 27th & 28th.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Day	Time	Mass Intention	Feast
Aug 6 Sat - sam	5:00 pm	RIP Ron Houle – Aunt Germaine	Nineteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time
Aug 7 Sun - dim	9:00 am	For Parishioners	
	11:00 am	RIP George Theberge – Theberge Family	
Aug 9 Tues - mar	8:30 am	RIP August Kieser – Celina & Family	St. Lawrence
Aug 10 Wed - mer	10:00 am	(Lodge) Special Intention for Maurice & Louise Froment - Friend	
	7:00 pm	(Church) Special Intention - Friend	
Aug 11 Thurs - jeu	10:00 am	(Aspen) RIP Rosina Rustemier – Robert & Lucie Rivet	St. Clare
Aug 12 Fri - ven	8:30 am	RIP Armande Rivet Cadrin – Leo & Family	
Aug 13 Sat - sam	5:00 pm	For Parishioners	Twentieth Sunday of Ordinary Time
Aug 14 Sun - dim	9:00 am	RIP Simonne Carriere – Lorraine & Family	
	11:00 am	RIP Lucien Sasseville – Gilberte & Children	
Aug 16 Tues - mar	8:30 am	RIP Nick Wojtkiw – Alice & Family	St. Lawrence
Aug 17 Wed - mer	10:00 am	(Lodge) RIP Jim Vervynck – Don Streeter	
	7:00 pm	(Church) RIP Raymonde Riopel – Claude & Irene Huot	
Aug 18 Thurs - jeu	10:00 am	(Aspen) RIP Laurier Labonte - Mary	
Aug 19 Fri - ven	8:30 am	For Parishioners	
Aug 20 Sat - sam	5:00 pm	RIP Ted – Marge & Family	Twenty-First Sunday Of Ordinary Time
Aug 21 Sun - dim	9:00 am	RIP Frieda Schlachter (33 rd Anniv) – Frank & Ellen	
	11:00 am	RIP Raymond O'Quinn (6 th Anniv) – Kathleen & Family	

PLEASE PRAY FOR... Kiah Courtney, Irene Dupuis, Leo Brochu, Annette Marcoux All those who are sick or struggling; who are going through any medical procedures and treatments.



COLLECTIONS – QUÊTES July 24th – \$ 2842.20 July 31st - \$ 2,985.00 THANK YOU!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Dust Angels

- Aug 8th & 15th, Monday– 8:00 am

- Church

The Parish office will be open on August 11th and August 12th in the morning only.