

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time - June 20/21, 2020

LIVING A CHRISTIAN LIFE

We read today's Gospel in the context of last week's Gospel in which Jesus sent the twelve disciples to proclaim the kingdom of heaven. In between last week's reading and today's reading, Jesus has predicted that the disciples will face difficulties in their mission. Many people will not receive them well, even within the land of Israel. Even family members will turn away from the disciples because of the disciples' commitment to Jesus and the kingdom. Today's Gospel offers the disciples consolation against this difficult truth.

This section of Matthew's Gospel should be read in the context of Matthew's intended audience, a Jewish-Christian community. The Gospel alludes to the dangers and persecutions that this community has most likely already faced and will continue to face. To reassure this community, Matthew recalls for them the encouraging words of Jesus that we read today.

In this Gospel passage, Jesus might be understood as putting suffering in perspective. The disciples of Jesus are called upon to keep their focus on God. Those who can harm the body do not have ultimate power; God does. Still persecution and suffering cannot be avoided or prevented. But Jesus reassures his disciples that God knows and cares about what happens to his children.

We might not face the same type of persecution, but we do experience difficulties as we endeavor to live a Christian life. Sometimes we let the opinions of others prevent us from doing what we know to be right. We need the reminder that what God thinks about us is more important. We are reassured by the promise that God cares for us and protects us.

~Loyola Press

MASS INTENTIONS

MON. 22 at 7:30am:	Spec. Intention St. Edmund Parishioners
9:00am:	+Repose Renato David by Jovita
TUES. 23 at 7:30am:	+Repose Adrian van Essen by Emma
9:00am:	+Repose Serafino Fiorvento by Maria & Domenico Maglieri
WED. 24 at 7:30am:	Spec. Intention Blanka Sedlacek by Sister Catherine
9:00am:	+Repose Holy Souls
THURS. 25 at 7:30am:	Spec. Intention Joanie Brown by STA Staff & Students
9:00am:	Spec. Intention Dorothy Berry by Stella Berry
FRI. 26 at 7:30am:	+Repose Anita LaPorte by STA Staff & Students
9:00am:	+Repose Holy Souls
SAT. 27 at 9:00am:	+Repose Holy Souls
4:30pm:	+Repose Richard Lin by wife & family
SUN. 28 at 8:00am:	+Repose Cristino Ficocelli by wife Janet
at 9:30am:	+Repose Holy Souls
at 11:00am:	+Repose Josefa, my Loved Ones & All Souls in Purgatory by Flory



A very blessed Father's Day to all of you dads out there. Thank you for your sacrifices and inspiration that you give to your family and to all of us. Be assured of our prayers for you. We also pray for our dads who have passed on from this life. May they be received by our heavenly Father into the joy of His kingdom. For those who did not know their dad or had a tumultuous relationship, may our Lord bring healing to all hearts. And, finally, to those dads who feel as they haven't been good dads, may our Lord show you His graces in your life and give you a renewed strength in the life to which He has called you. Happy Father's Day.



Know your Parents:

One, who loves till her eyes close, is a **Mother**.

One, who loves without an expression in the eyes, is a **Father**.

Mother - Introduces you to the world.

Father - Introduces the world to you.

Mother: Gives you life. **Father**: Gives you living.

Mother: Makes sure you are not starving.

Father: Makes sure you know the value of starving.

Mother: Personifies Care.

Father: Personifies Responsibility

Mother: Protects you from a fall.

Father: Teaches you to get up from a fall.

Mother: Teaches you walking.

Father: Teaches you walk of life

Mother: Teaches from her own experiences.

Father: Teaches you to learn from your own experiences.

Mother: Reflects Ideology.

Father: Reflects Reality

Mother's love is known to you since birth.

Father's love is known when you become a Father.

DEDICATED TO ALL PARENTS.

Mass Wedding for Civilly Married Couples

If you got married civilly and would now like to have your marriage recognized by the Church there will be a great opportunity to do so, this year on Saturday, October 31st at St. Edmunds at Church, North Vancouver BC. If both of you are Baptized Catholics, married only once, bring a copy of your marriage registration, a recent copy of your baptism certificate, and talk to Rev. Fr.

Steny or email to him expressing your desire. To register or for more info, contact the parish office at 604 988 3211 or email st.edmunds@shaw.ca.

Do we know actual full form of some words?

Newspaper: North East West South past and present events report.

Chess: Chariot, Horse, Elephant, Soldiers.

Cold: Chronic Obstructive Lung Disease.

Joke: Joy of Kids Entertainment.

Aim: Ambition in Mind.

Pen: Power Enriched in Nib.

Smile: Sweet Memories in Lips Expression.

SIM: Subscriber Identity Module.

Etc.: End of Thinking Capacity.

Ok: Objection Killed

Bye: Be with you every time.

Up-Coming Events

Grade 7 Farewell and Graduation Day June 23 at 5pm

First Reconciliation June 24 at 6.30pm (PREP)

First Holy Communion: June 27th at 2pm and 28th at 4pm (PREP)

Confirmation: July 4th at 2pm, and 5th at 4pm. (PREP)

First Holy Communion: October 3rd at 11.30am, 2pm and 4th at 4pm (School)

Confirmation: 26 September at 11.30am, 2pm and 27th at 4pm (School)

Dear brothers and sisters, because of the greatly reduced capacity of church due to social distancing and health requirements, we need your help each Sunday to use our spaces safely and effectively... Therefore, if you have signed up for the weekend Masses, please follow these instructions:

If you are sick and feel not safe please stay home.

1. Come 15 minutes **Early**
2. Maintain Social **Distance** (6ft.)
3. Wear your face **Mask** (Bring your own Mask)
4. Kindly **Cooperate** with the Volunteers
5. Families members that live in same household can **sit together** (consult volunteer)

I specially want to thank all the volunteers who are helping us to accommodate all of you at the 7 weekend Masses. I appreciate their dedication and commitment. May God Bless them all. At the same time, I wish to appreciate all of you for your love and concern to our Parish Community,

especially for continuously supporting the Parish financially. May the lord Jesus bless you and your family. You are always in our prayers.

Somebody sent me this, I thought of sharing with you.

Never have I seen such a mess in life.

The air is pure but wearing a mask is mandatory.

Roads are empty but it is impossible to go on long drive.

People have clean hands but there is a ban on shaking hands.

Friends have time to sit together but they cannot get together.

The cook inside you is crazy, but you cannot call anyone to lunch or dinner.

Every Monday, the heart longs for the office but the weekend does not seem to end.

Those who have money have no way to spend it.

Those who do not have money have no way to earn it.

There is enough time on hand, but you cannot fulfill your dreams.

The culprit (Virus) is all around but cannot be seen.

So be positive but test negative.

If you are planning to join weekday Masses

Dear brothers and sisters, because of the greatly reduced capacity of church due to social distancing and health requirements, we need your help each day to use our spaces safely and effectively... Therefore, if you would like to join weekday Masses please sign – up here:

<https://forms.gle/zFpjvyYbyPQhrZGf7>

You do not need to sign up again if you have already done so.

Please help us by following these instructions:

If you are sick and feel not safe please stay home.

1. Come 15 minutes early
2. Must Check in at the back of the Church
3. Maintain Social Distance (6ft.)
4. Wear your face mask (Bring your own Mask)
5. Exit from the side door.
6. Washrooms available emergency only
7. Sanitize the place you were sitting before you leave the Church

Thank you for your support and cooperation. You and your family are always in our prayers.

May God Bless you and Your family

Rev. Fr. Steny OCD

PARISH OFFICE SERVICES ONLY AVAILABLE BY EMAIL OR PHONE

Contact the office If you need any kind of help. We are here to assist you.

ALL ORGANIZATIONAL MEETINGS ARE CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE!

ST. EDMUND RE-OPENS

We are delighted to tell you that Masses can again be celebrated with Parishioners in attendance. Sadly, we have a limited of 50 people (total) in the Church at one time. Of course, everyone must use the 2-metre physical distancing rule. **You must be signed up to be able to attend either weekend or weekday Mass.** Most of our weekend Masses are full; please call or email the parish office to see if we have a space for you.

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY – (ANTICIPATED MASS) 4:30PM/6:00PM

SUNDAY – 8:00AM/9:30AM/11:00AM/12:30PM & 6:00PM

FOR INFORMATION - PHONE 604-988-3211 DURING OFFICE HOURS

(Mon-Fri 9-12:30 & 1:30-5)

OR

EMAIL: st.edmunds@shaw.ca

WEEKDAY MASSES – 7:30AM & 9:00AM

ALL ARE WELCOME BUT ALL MUST FOLLOW

THE 2-METRE PHYSICAL DISTANCING RULE

PLEASE REGISTER FOR ATTENDANCE AT

<https://forms.gle/zFpjvyYbyPQhrZGf7>

STA UPDATES

The staff hosted a BBQ lunch for the grade 12 students on Fri., June 12. It was heartwarming to break bread together to signify their last day of class in high school.

The graduates & their families attended a diploma presentation at the school on Mon., June 15, small groups through the gym at 15-minute intervals. The event was well orchestrated and parents could see their graduate receiving their diploma.

The Grade 12 class will have their retreat at STA on Thurs., June 18 & Fri., June 19. Social distancing will be facilitated. We are thankful that they will have this opportunity.

On Mon., June 22 @11 am, Archbishop Michael Miller will celebrate the Graduation Mass in the STA Convent Chapel. The Mass will be on the STA Youtube channel which is accessed through the STA website: www.aquinas.org The address is:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCmNOHo5I_h7f-cfKD2dnwbg

That evening, at 7:00 pm, Convocation will be broadcast on the same access. We hope you will join us in celebrating the successes & achievements of this very special graduation class of 2020.

PROJECT ADVANCE

Project Advance has some key changes this year. Archdiocesan funding priorities from this year's Appeal will be directed to a newly established Crisis Response Fund, to help vulnerable individuals and families during this time of pandemic, alongside other ministries of evangelization and outreach. The Archdiocesan goal has been reduced to \$1.625 million and St. Edmund's target has been reduced from \$36,000 to \$18,000. The Appeal officially launches this month – June. Past supporters can expect to receive a letter from the Archbishop.

IMPORTANT MESSAGE TO MEDITATORS

I will be online about 20/25 minutes before 7:00 PM to receive participants. If you have problems please call to my cell, but not beyond 6:55 PM – 604 789 7625. If you are in iPhone or MAC computer, please discuss with JoAnn Primeau 607 987 8556. If you are on a PC or Android phone or a land line, please contact me during the day at my cell 604 789 7625.

CONVALIDATION OF MARRIAGE

If you have been civilly married (not in Church) & would like to convalidate your marriage, please contact either Father Steny or the Parish Office by phone or email.

Pre-Authorized Giving Plan
St. Edmund's Parish, 545 Mahon Avenue, North Vancouver, BC – V7M 2R7
 Phone: 604-988-3211/Email: st.edmunds@shaw.ca/Website: stedmundsparish.ca/

PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING PLAN
For Monthly Offertory Contributions

If you wish to make your Sunday offertory contribution through automatic monthly bank withdrawals, please complete the form below and note:

- the amount you authorize will be deducted from your bank account **on the 30th of each month**. This regular monthly amount covers Sunday Offertory donation only.
- To make changes at any time, please call the Parish Office at 604-988-3211

Follow the steps below to calculate and authorize your monthly donation:

CALCULATING YOUR MONTHLY PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING

To help determine the amount of one's monthly contribution, multiply your weekly offering by the 52 weeks in a year, then divide this annual contribution by 12. Examples are provided below:

<u>Weekly Offering</u>	<u>Monthly Offering</u>	<u>Weekly Offering</u>	<u>Monthly Offering</u>
\$10/week (\$520/year)	\$43 per month	\$40/week (\$2,080/year)	\$173 per month
\$20/week (\$1,040/year)	\$86 per month	\$50/week (\$2,600/year)	\$216 per month

Note that the amounts above are provided only as examples. Our hope is that Parishioners will contribute an offering that is meaningful, sacrificial, and that honours the abundance with which the Lord has blessed each of us.

AUTHORIZATION FORM

I/we hereby authorize St. Edmund's Parish to debit my/our account **each month on the 30th** as allocated below.

I/we hereby change my/our monthly donation as allocated below:

Offering \$ _____

→ **Please note** that based on the fees associated with offering pre-authorized giving, a \$25 monthly offering is the minimum that can be processed through this method of giving

ACCOUNT HOLDER/S INFORMATION:

Name/s: _____ (please print)

ADDRESS: _____

Phone/s: _____

Envelope #: _____ Payment Start Date: _____

OFFERTORY DONATION FOR NORMAL OPERATIONS OF THE PARISH:

I wish to donate \$ _____ on a **monthly basis on the 30th** for normal operations of the Parish

AUTHORIZATION:

I/We acknowledge that the Authorization is provided for the benefit of the Parish and the "Processing Institution" and is provided in Consideration of Processing Institution agreeing to process debits ("PADs") against the Account with Processing Institution in accordance with the Rules of the Canadian Payments Association.

By signing this Authorization, the family acknowledges having received and having read a copy of this Agreement, and agrees to be bound by the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

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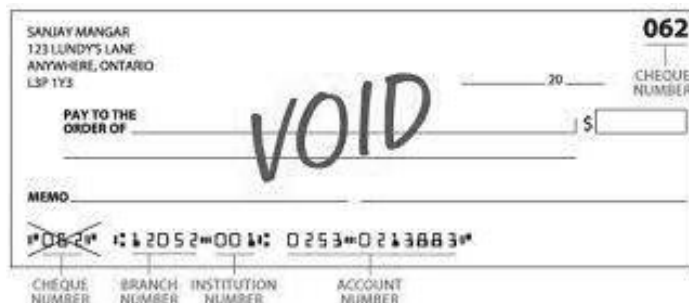
Payor SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

Payor SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

Return this form to the Parish Office or place it in the Sunday collection basket in a sealed envelope address to the "Parish Secretary – Confidential", plus attach a **blank VOID cheque and/or provide the following information:**

TRANSIT # _____ INSTITUTION # _____ ACCOUNT # _____

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