

## Twenty- Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

One intriguing way to pray and meditate on the parables of Jesus is to try and imagine yourself in the scene. In today's Gospel imagine yourself in the shoes of the two sons.

You would say that neither of the sons nor what they represent is ideal.

But further reflection tells us that we often are the first son, and often we are the second son.

Are we like the second son and the religious authorities? Do we claim to be devout, religious people, who are willing to obey God, while, in fact, refusing to do his will?

Or are we like the first son and the sinners -- people who at first refuse to obey God, but then repent and do his will?

If so, we're in a far better state than those who are full of empty good intentions.

To be truly Christian we must be people who say, 'Yes' to God's will, mean what we say, and do it. And that's Jesus' point. He is questioning each of us. True members of God's family must not only hear God's word, but also do it.

On the parish level as family, God is calling us to action. God wants us to work in the vineyard so as to renew us; to enkindle in us the fire of his love.

We, in the name of God, are asking those who said no, to rethink their decision and come join us in building up the Kingdom in Sacred Heart Parish.

We need readers, Eucharistic ministers, visitors to the sick, catechists, Council members, Committee members, Ladies and Men's group members, or whatever gift or talent you have to offer.

But really we want and need **you**, you are part of our family. We miss you.

We are home to saints wishing to remain so, and sinners looking to repent.

Doing God's work makes sinners into saints.

Fr. Don

# Sacred Heart Parish

## Parish Information

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Office Hours: Tuesday to Friday 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m

### Weekend Masses:

Saturday - 4:30 pm

Sunday - 11:00 a.m.

### Masses this Week:

Mon. & Wed- 7:00 p.m.

Tue. Thur. & Fri. at 9am.

### Holy Hour of Adoration:

Third Sunday of each Month

2:00 p.m.

### Reconciliation

Any time by request

### Marriages:

Six month notice is required.

### Baptisms:

Celebrated at Weekend Mass

After preparation session

## Current Date

September 28th., 2014

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### **RECEIVED WITH THANKS**

Last week 's Collection	\$1,602.00
Building Fund	15.00
Needs ..Catholic Church	160.00

### **TICKETS--MEN'S GROUP**

Our men's group are selling tickets on a cash prize of \$1,000.00 which will be drawn for on Dec.7--just in time for your Christmas shopping! To get your tickets, please see Ed Dobbin or John Carroll. If you are able to take some to sell it would be appreciated.

### **STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION**

Jesus was in many ways the ultimate example of humility. Yet, humility is not a trait that is highly thought of in our society. We live in a world where independence and relying on no one else is considered to be a high form of expression. For the past few weeks, our second readings have been drawn from St. Paul's letter to the Philippians. Paul felt a warmth and closeness to the Philippians, and that is demonstrated in his letter to them. It is nonetheless his appeal to them as a community that provides us with an important stewardship message in today's reading. St. Paul says, "...humbly regard others as more important than yourselves." This is a direct reference to how Jesus lived. If we lived in a community where everyone else regarded each of us as more important (everyone else looked up

to us; and we in turn looked up to everyone else), what a community it would be. Each of us would be elevated, lifted up by all those around us. What the result would be is an unbelievable sense of unity. It is what Jesus calls us to through stewardship.

### **Knights of Columbus Scholarships**

Available to students who graduated Grade XII with Honours in June 2014 and are attending a Post-Secondary institution this September. Application deadline: October 31, 2014. Information available at [www.kofcni.org](http://www.kofcni.org).

### **Parish Council Elections**

Three positions need to be filled on Parish Council. Please consider nominating yourself or another person for this valuable ministry. Contact the Parish Office. Elections will take place at next week-end Masses.

### **Rosary for October**

October and May are devoted to Mary. Beginning Monday Oct. 6, and for each Monday in the month the recitation of the Rosary will follow 7 pm Mass. The Ladies Group will lead the rosary. Please consider participating in both.

### **LADIES GROUP NOTICES:**

Veronica would like to remind anyone who still have tickets out on the wooden chest to return them. The draw will take place at our bingo on Oct. 5th.

The list of donors for the Oct. bingo is posted at the back of the church. You may drop off your donation at the parish house, put it in the collection, or give it to Theresa or Veronica

**Collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada** is being taken up this weekend. This collection invites all the faithful to participate in the financing of their diocese to meet its financial obligations to the regional assemblies and to the national Conference. Any additional revenues raised help the diocese support its own diocesan pastoral programs and other activities.

### **Synod of Bishops on the Family**

This Sunday has been set aside as a Day of Prayer for the Third Extraordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops in Rome, scheduled to take place from October 5 to 21 to treat the topic: *The Pastoral Challenges of the Family in the Context of Evangelization.* Please continue praying for this intention through to the Synod's end.

### **Wednesday, October 1 is the feast day of St.**

**Therese de Lisieux**, who is also known as the "Little Flower". What are St. Therese's little flowers? They are little sacrifices that nobody would really notice, except God, who notices everything we do. So when we smile at someone we really don't like too much or help out someone in our family when we'd rather be chatting online with our friends, we are making small sacrifices that we can offer to God. We can pray to St. Therese for her help in living out this simple and beautiful approach to spirituality. By the way, did you know that she is one of our Diocese's patron saints?

At the 7 pm evening Mass there will be a special blessing given for children.

Whether you are a parent or grandparent please consider bringing children to celebrate the Mass for this child saint and to receive the special blessing in her honor.