

"THOU SHALT NOT BE BORED . . . "

A dad looks back on the one thing he knows he and his wife got right in raising their children:

"For all of the missteps my wife and I made in the realm of parenting, I'm pretty sure that one of our more brilliant successes was the prohibition we placed on the word bored. Every member of the household was banned from using that word or any of its correlatives when referring to one's immediate experience or outlook on life.

"Our rule, which didn't require enforcement until the kids reached adolescence, helped stifle some of the contempt that accompanies most expressions of boredom. The 'entertain me' attitude that springs from a lack of interest in what's happening in the world can make personal boredom appear to be someone else's fault. That wasn't a workable proposition in our house. Susan and I believe that one of the unheralded gifts of God's spirit is the reminder that life is intrinsically interesting and full of daily significance. Whatever our human capacity may be for losing resolve, feeling listless, and sensing an absence of meaning, there is always more to life than what is immediately observable to our eyes."

[Peter W. Marty, writing in The Christian Century, September 27, 2017.]

For the true follower of Jesus, boredom is not an option. We have all been given much by God - some "talents" that have been entrusted to us to make God's Kingdom a reality in our own small corner of the vineyard. To "bury" our talents out of fear or laziness is to betray that trust. Jesus challenges us to commit whatever talents, strengths and resources we have, to use whatever wealth and resources we possess, to bring the hope and peace of the Kingdom of God into our hurting and desperate world. Whatever we are able to do or to give or to offer, the challenge of the Gospel is to refuse to allow ourselves to "bored"; to follow Jesus is to be ready and willing to seek out and respond to whatever opportunities we have to give joyously and humbly for the sake of others.

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Sacred Heart Parish

A Stewardship Parish in Love with Christ



Parish Information

Parish Administrator: Monsignor Jim Robertson

Office Hours: Mon, Wed, 9:00 am to 1:00 pm
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Weekend Masses: Saturday 4:30 pm, Sunday 11:00 am

Reconciliation: Wednesday after Mass, or by request

Mass During the Week: Tues at 7:00 pm Wed, Thurs, Fri at 10:00 am
First Fridays - 2:00 pm at the Lohnes Complex

Holy Hour of Adoration: Third Sunday of the Month at 2 p.m.

Marriages: Six months' notice is required. A year's notice is recommended.

Baptisms: Please call the Parish Office to schedule preparation session.

November 19, 2017

33rd Sunday of Ordinary Time

RECEIVED WITH THANKS (November 11 & 12)

Regular Collection	1556.65
Building Fund	40.00
Votive Candles	19.50
Sunday Missal	55.00
Mass Stipends	40.00
Wedding Donation	20.00
World Mission Sunday	10.00
Memorial Fund – James Park total to date	1500.00

MASS INTENTIONS

Nov 18	Genevieve Wheeler Deceased members of the Rumboldt and Lowe Families
Nov 19	Parish Community
Nov 20	No Mass
Nov 21	Margaret & Bernard Pennell
Nov 22	No Mass
Nov 23	Jim Park
Nov 24	Nellie & Joe Hayes Sr., Jim Hayes
Nov 25	John Hepditch
Nov 26	Parish Community

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Readers	Eucharistic Ministers
November 25	
Basil English John Carroll	Eileen Moore Art Hall Joan Penney
November 26	
Calvin Gillis Debbie Allen	Don Gallant Donna Eldridge Anna House
Communion to the Sick – Gerard Brake	

SHEPHERDS' FUND annual collection will be taken on **November 25th & 26th**. You will see these special collection envelopes in your envelope box, **this will be a separate collection taken after communion.**

BIBLE STUDY group will meet in the Church archive room on **Sunday, November 19 at 7pm.** We welcome newcomers to join us in 'breaking open the Word'

A NOTE FROM FATHER JIM

Thank you for your kind support and generous prayers during my brief hospital stay. After struggling with breathing it was discovered that I had a collapsed lung. That has been remedied and all is well again, thank you.

PARISH COUNCIL The next meeting takes place on **December 4th at 7pm**

ADVENT FOLDERS are now available at the rear of the church. Please take one.

NEXT BINGO DECEMBER 3

The prizes for our December game will be ham AND turkey. We will NOT be calling anyone to ask for donations for this game, however, we are relying on the generosity of those who are able, to make a financial donation to help cover the cost of the prizes. Thank you for your support.

For further info you may contact Veronica at 639-7216, or Pat 785-7461.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL

Poor Box Collection The monthly St. Vincent de Paul poor box collection will take place next weekend, November 25-26. There are envelopes at the rear of the Church. Thank you for your continued support.

Socks/Mitts/Hats Collection We are taking hats, socks, gloves, mitts, scarves etc. to be distributed in Christmas Hampers and at Mary's Kitchen this Christmas season. A collection box has been placed at the rear of the Church if you would like to donate.

Christmas Hamper final registration will be Nov. 22nd and 24th at the Cathedral between 10am and 3pm.

ADORATION AND BENEDICTION

The regularly scheduled Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction takes place this Sunday, September 17th. Exposition begins at 2:00 pm, during adoration the Rosary will be recited and time will be left for silent prayer. Benediction takes place at 3pm.

OUR CONDOLENCES To the family and friends of the late Isabelle Barry.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

FOURTH DEGREE: Bishop O' Reilly Assembly will meet on Tuesday November 21st at All Hallows Parish Centre following 7:00 p.m. Mass. **Installation of officers will take place, all Sir Knights are asked to attend.**

HUMOUR

Three elderly gentlemen were talking about what their grandchildren would be saying about them fifty years from now. "I would like my grandchildren to say, that he was successful in business," declared the first man. "Fifty years from now," said the second, "I want them to say, that he was a loyal family man." Turning to the third gent, the first gent asked, "So what do you want them to say about you in fifty years?" "Me?" the third man replied. "I want them to say, "He certainly looks good for his age!"

WORLD DAY OF THE POOR

On Sunday, November 19, Roman Catholics will celebrate the first annual World Day of the Poor. This new world day of prayer was announced by Pope Francis in a letter dated June 13, 2017 and is to be observed annually on the 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time. The theme this year is "Let us love, not with words, but with deeds", inspired by the First Letter of John (3:18). For more information, visit www.rcchurch.com

4YOUTH

On November 21 we celebrate the Memorial of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a feast which has been celebrated in the universal Church since the sixteenth century. Tradition holds that Mary, like all young Jewish girls, would have been left in the care of the Temple for a period of time, during which she would have been educated. On this day we celebrate the fact that God chose to dwell in Mary in a very special way and that Mary placed her entire self at the service of God. Perhaps a good way for us to honour Mary on this feast day would be to spend some extra time in prayer. Did you know you can participate in prayers online, and that some of them even give you the words? Visit www.comepraytherosary.org and you can either join the world-wide prayer or pray on your own.

EMERGENCY RELIEF TO ROHINGYA REFUGEES

In response to the Rohingya persecution in Myanmar, the Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace-*Caritas Canada* is working with *Caritas Bangladesh* to support a food distribution program along its border with Myanmar and is also assisting Bangladeshis with food and other emergency relief given the enormous strain that the refugee crisis is having on Bangladesh's very limited resources. ***The Canadian government announced on October 31st, 2017 that it will match admissible donations made before November 28th to an eligible Canadian charitable organization, which includes Development and Peace.***

For more information about donating, go to www.rcchurch.com