

**REFLECTION for the Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Fr. Don.

These words are proclaimed in today's readings: 'What must I do to inherit eternal life? I called on God, and the spirit of wisdom came to me.' What does this wisdom look like? Surely it is life-giving, life-saving, full of purpose and life-directing. Surely it is Spirit driven. Let us consider these examples:

~ A woman lovingly comes to the long-term care home every day to feed her Alzheimer's stricken husband. For the past seven years he has shown no sign of recognizing her. After 35 years together she loves him more each day and now in his greatest hour of need she will journey with him to the end.

~ A mother adopted a week-old infant baby with severe physical handicaps. She quit her job and stayed home to raise her child to be a teen. There was such improvement in her child's health that the mother finally felt confident enough to accept home-care for her child and returned to work. After six months she was so happy and thankful for her newfound freedom. But then her child began to regress. Immediately the mother quit work again and this time resolved to be her child's care-giver full-time for ever-till death do we part.

There are countless other examples we could give. If we allow our minds to bring them to the fore (as I did above), we would quickly realize that the common thread in all of them is UNCONDITIONAL LOVE. This is Love that never ends, love that conquers all things, and love that completes us as humans.

Through the indwelling Holy Spirit, God in the Third Person, we have an unlimited capacity to unconditionally love. Our soul is filled with love. It can flow from us unceasingly; the well-spring of our love will never run dry. But remember that God-given gift called FREE-WILL. It can lead us astray.

God gave us the capacity to love but also we were given choices. We are free to choose to love. Our reservoirs are full and we hold the flame/spark needed to ignite/release our stores of LOVE. To love takes courage and conviction. Too many of us have bad experiences with love. We hold back.

A popular song tells us that LOVE HURTS. Yes, those we love will reject us sometimes, those we love will leave us sometimes, those we love will disappoint us sometimes, and those we love will appear to hate us sometimes. But the alternative- choosing not to love- diminishes our God-given capacity to be all that we are meant to be. For we are children of God and remember again, God is LOVE.

This is Thanksgiving weekend. Let us take time to thank God for our many blessings. Let us thank God for our families, our work, and our state-of-being. Let us bow down in reverence to our Creator. Let us take stock of our lives. Don't rest on our laurels. Without a doubt, there is more we can do to show gratitude.

Allow the Spirit to uncap the well-spring of LOVE within our souls so as to fill us with LOVE? Fill us to the point whereby we joyfully and thankfully spread that love to others. Choose to be a LOVER.

'What must I do to inherit eternal life? LOVE, LOVE, LOVE, that's the answer.

# Sacred Heart Parish

## Parish Information

Parish Administrator: Fr. Don Leonard  
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## Liturgical Celebrations

Weekend Masses:  
Saturday - 4:30 pm  
Sunday - 11:00 a.m.

Masses in Week Days:  
No Weekday Masses until  
Wednesday Nov 4

Holy Hour of Adoration:  
Third Sunday of the Month  
at 2 pm

Reconciliation  
Wed after Mass,  
or by request

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

Baptisms:  
Celebrated at Weekend Mass  
after preparation session.

**October 11, 2015**  
**28th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

## RECEIVED WITH THANKS

Oct 3, 4

Collection	\$2139.40
Building Fund	210.00
Votive Candles	81.00
Mass requests	30.00
Pastoral Dues	20.00
Parish Insurance	10.00
BINGO	680.60
St. Vincent de Paul	504.00
Needs of Canadian Church	30.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

## MASS INTENTIONS

No Weekday Masses

Sat Oct 17 John McCarthy

Sun Oct 18 Parish Community

**NOTE:** The Ladies Group will lead the praying of the **Rosary at 7pm each Wednesday evening in October.** Please make an effort to join them for this Marian devotion.

## WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

The theme is **United in Love.** We celebrate this next Sunday Oct. 18. Please take and read the related material at the back of the church. Also please use the envelope provided there to donate to this worthy cause.

## CONGRATULATIONS

to April (Bellows) and Joshua Noseworthy and to Crystal (Butler) and Maury Gallant. These two couples were married here at our church on the Thanksgiving weekend. Let us pray for God's many blessings upon them in the years ahead.

## MARK THESE DATES

\***Friday Oct. 30 at 7:30 pm** for our Variety

Concert in Sacred Heart Auditorium.

\* **Saturday & Sunday, Nov 7 & 8,** for our Fall Sale, Cabbage roll dinner, & Bingo.

\* **Wednesday Nov 11 at 7 pm** for our annual Mass of Remembrance in the church.

\* **Wednesday Nov 18 at 7 pm** for our Mass for Healing.

## PARISHCOUNCIL

Joan Penney is our new Chair, Carol Reid our Vice-Chair, and Mike Leonard our Secretary. Thank you for serving.

## SACRAMENTAL REGISTRATION

We are beginning our sacramental preparation for Reconciliation, Holy Communion, and Confirmation. Forms are available at the back of the church. Please, please, parents and grandparents of little children, take a form and encourage participation in this most essential of parish activities. It is the call/duty of all of us to introduce children to the mysteries and joys of the sacraments. We cannot shirk our duty as Christians.

## HOLIDAYS FOR PRIEST

Fr. Don will be away for a holiday for three weeks from Tuesday Oct 13 to Tuesday Nov 3. During that time Fr. Gash will be filling in during the weekends. There will be no weekday Masses during this time. Weekday Mass will resume on Wednesday Nov 4.

## VARIETY CONCERT

Our parish variety concert will take place on Friday, Oct. 30 starting at 7:30 pm. This event will take place at Sacred Heart School Auditorium. Cover charge is \$5.00. Please

reserve this date & join us for a fun filled entertaining evening. More information will be available soon.

## MENS' GROUP TICKET SALE

Tickets are available this weekend. Please take a few books of tickets to sell to friends and relatives. The Men have them available for distribution in the porch as you leave the church. Also they are selling them at tables set up in Coleman's and Canadian Tire stores and are looking for people to volunteer a few hours at these sites. Consider helping out because this is a parish fund-raiser.

## FALL FAIR UP-DATE

Saturday Nov. 7:

**1 pm.** ---sale of baked goods, preserves, crafts & other home made items.

**TO DONATE** baked goods, please call Mary Gallant at 785-5176 ,for crafts, call Patsy Hall at 785-2556.

**4 pm.** Take -out dinners [ \$10.00 ]

**5:30 pm.** Eat-in dinner at school cafeteria. The Ladies Group are asking for donations of cabbage rolls , carrot cakes & some help serving dinners. If you can help in any way, please call Theresa at 785-2244 or Veronica at 639-7216.

**Sign up Sheets** are available at the back of the church for those who plan to attend. We encourage all parishioners to take part in some way to make this fundraiser a success.

**Sunday Nov. 8:** at 2 pm. BINGO

## OUR PARISH WEBSITE

[www.sacredheartrcparish.ca](http://www.sacredheartrcparish.ca) is our address. Why not have a look. We are trying to keep

it informative and interesting. On it you can read the latest Sunday bulletin, the minutes of our latest Parish Council meeting and Liturgy Committee meeting. You can link to excellent prayer sites.

## MASS of REMEMBRANCE

On Wednesday evening Nov 11 at 7 pm we will gather to remember our loved ones who have died and gone before us:  
-those who have died in the past year.  
Family members will light a candle.  
- those who were veterans. All can pin a poppy on a Cross placed near the altar.  
- all those who have died. Names can be placed in a basket near the entrance and it will be carried in procession and placed on the altar during Mass.

**NOTE:** *If you had a loved one die elsewhere during the last year let us now.* JOIN US.

**Bingo Donations** for Oct. 4th. were received from: Debbie Allen, Isabelle Barry, Bill Brake, Chris Chadderton, Donna Eldridge, Madonna Elford, Madonna English, Evelyn Ezekiel, Don Gallant, Mary Gallant, Lori Gardener, Alvina, Maureen, Sheila, & Tom George, Isabel Gillis, Annie, Jackie, Brenda, & Tony Griffin, Anna House, Julia Hackett-Myles, John Hancock, Patsy Hall, Col Healey, Diane Hearn, Joan Hutchings, Kay Hynes, Doreen, Helen, & Pat Jones, Clara, Edward, Pat & Judy Joyce, Edna Kearney, Florence King, Mike & Edith Leonard, Gail Leggo, Vince Lewis, Elaine Lynch, Lori Lynn Lyver, Ann McHugh, Kathleen MacDonald, Helen McCarthy, Edmund & Shirley McGrath, Linda McIsaac, & Donna Mitchell. Thanks Everyone!!