

August 2017

**Intentions**

**August 06** - For the parishioners of St. Gabriel's parish.  
**August 13** - For the Holy Soul's in purgatory, requested by Janne Campbell.  
**August 20** - For the Holy Soul's in purgatory, requested by Janne Campbell.  
**August 27** - For the Holy Soul's in purgatory, requested by Janne Campbell.

Intentions are \$15.00

**Offertory Collection**

July 09 - \$691.30  
July 16 - \$577.70  
July 23 - \$513.00  
July 30 - \$667.90

Thank You

The Constance Bay Community Market has returned to St. Gabriel's lawn and run every second Saturday from 9-2 until August 26 when it will switch to every Saturday during the month of September and close on September 30. St. Gabriel's will have their Heavenly Pies bake table to raise money for the church and the social action fund during these markets.

**We are in need of bakers:** If you're not a baker, please consider donating money for the bakers to purchase supplies. See Suzanne Lee after mass or call 832-8063 to discuss how you can help with this important fundraiser. If you can commit to all 10 markets, that would be ideal. **We also need help with manning the booth** from 8:00am -11:00am or 11:00am - 2:00pm. Drop by the market August 12th (at the community centre), 26th and Sept. 9th and enjoy "bacon on a bun" prepared by St. Gabriel's parishioners!

**Beef Dinner September 16**

**Please note that the sign up lists for Volunteers and food donations are now available at the back of the church. Please respond.**

**Tickets are now available - see Martine Messier.**



**Today's Gospel Reflection:**

**August 06** - The Transfiguration was the mountain-top experience of the apostles which prepared them for their future trials. The Mass is our mountain-top experience which prepares us for the trials of our day. The Mass is not a transfiguration but a transubstantiation, in which bread and wine are transformed into the glorious Risen Jesus. And in the joy and consolation of Communion we say with Peter, "Lord, it is good for us to be here." And we do not want to leave. But it is not to be. Soon we will hear the words, "The Mass is ended. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord." So we pick up our cross and leave to face the trials of the day. But having been to the top of the mountain we know that "nothing can separate us from the love of God made visible in Christ Jesus our Lord.

**August 13** - This gospel does show Jesus as having authority over the waters: he walks on the sea and at his will the wind dies down. Nevertheless, this gospel is less about Jesus manifesting power in great events that it is an invitation to respond to Jesus, to come to him. We follow Jesus not because he is a great miracle worker but because he is the "Son of God." It is far easier to come to Jesus in the obvious things; for example, faithful attendance at Mass. It is far more difficult to see God in the little things; for example, being pleasant when the poor are demanding, or giving back to a cashier too much change, or giving extra time to be present to children or spouse. (Living Liturgy, p.212)

**August 20** - What is the deeper significance of these apparently harsh words of Jesus? The answer lies in Jesus' clear understanding of his mission, to the house of Israel. This woman was not a Jew, and she is thus challenging Jesus to extend his mission beyond Israel to include all people. This foreign woman gives us a model response to Jesus in her confident prayer and great faith. Thus the Gospel announces that the kingdom and salvation are for all people. It is our persistent calling out to Jesus and our faith that count for Jesus always responds. (Living Liturgy, p. 220)

**August 27** - 27 Jesus revealed himself to Peter through his experience where, in spite of his doubt, fear, and sinking, he was saved from the raging seas. Peter had a gripping and personal experience of the saving power of Jesus, and so answers from a faith stance that Jesus is indeed the Christ, the Son of the living God. Peter had paid attention to his experience, and so the "heavenly Father" could reveal to him the knowledge that Jesus was the long awaited Messiah.

When we open our eyes to see and ears to hear and our hearts to experience Jesus' presence and power in our daily lives, God's revelation comes to us. We only need to have faith. (Living Liturgy, p.224)



**West Carleton Food Access Centre:** When you grocery shop this week, please remember the West Carleton Food Access Centre. They are in need of canned salmon, canned flakes of ham or chicken, canned fruit and canned pasta noodles. Please check the expiry dates, as the Food Bank cannot accept expired cans.



**Urgent Need**

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director (to begin in September).**



**Please speak with Martine Messier  
(613) 832-4415.**

**Pope's Intentions for the Month of August**

**Artists** - That artists of our time, through their ingenuity, may help everyone discover the beauty of creation.

**Prayers for the Sick.** Please pray for the sick among our families and friends, especially Ludo Adrienssens, Gerry Borris, Colleen Campbell, Patricia Cassidy, Christine Fraser, Mary Jardine, Sheila Moeser and Richard Vollmer. *The names will remain on the list until we are otherwise advised.*



*Be good, love the Lord, pray for those who do not know him. What a great grace it is to know God!*  
- Saint Josephine Bakhita