



SIMON PETER ANSWERED HIM "MASTER, TO WHOM SHALL WE GO? YOU HAVE THE WORDS OF ETERNAL LIFE. WE HAVE COME TO BELIEVE AND ARE CONVINCED THAT YOU ARE THE HOLY ONE OF GOD."

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Living in the One Flesh

Does anyone who is married think that they really did marry the "perfect" person? Or that *they* were that "perfect" person? I think we all know the answer: obviously, no one can ever be the "perfect" match for anyone else. Many Christian marriages are dying because people expected perfection on both sides. Perfection is not what Christ asks of married people. What is really key to a fantastic marriage is living in the "one flesh" that two people become in the Sacrament of Matrimony. But "one flesh" doesn't just refer to the physical body. Centuries ago, mind, body, and spirit were separated, and the body was thought by some to be dirty or evil. But Catholic theology sees the mind, body, and spirit as a sacred unity. So you don't become one flesh with someone simply by having sex with them. When we give our body to another in sexual intercourse, it is a "real symbol for the giving of the whole person." That calls for deep interpersonal commitment. This is why merely living together or having intercourse outside marriage is not good preparation for the vocation of marriage. When you marry as a Catholic, you are asking Jesus to form you into a new unity with your spouse—then to go *beyond* your unity to heal and feed the suffering in the world as part of Jesus' own vocation. Here is an image you may never have considered: The intimate union of husband and wife, the way you physically AND spiritually give yourself to each other in marriage, is modeled by the way Jesus gives us his own body in the Eucharist: "My flesh is real food and my blood is real drink. By eating my flesh and drinking my blood you enter into me and I into you." Go in peace to love and serve our God! (August 23, 2009)

MASSES FOR THIS WEEK

Tues. Aug. 25	9:00 am	RIP Larry Marshall	Theresa Hall
	9:00 am	RIP Rita Dorion	Rachel Major
Wed. Aug. 26	9:00 am	Prolife Groups & Crisis Pregnancy Centre	League for Life
	9:00 am	RIP Yvonne Jutras	Vic & Simone Desaulniers
	9:00 am	RIP Wendy Smendziuk	Mom, Dad and Family
Thurs. Aug. 27	9:00 am	RIP Eva Lussier	Ricard Family & Lussier Family
Fairview Home	10:30 am	RIP John MacKay	Gloria, Paul & Family
Fri. Aug. 28	9:00 am	RIP Mederic Gareau	Mariette Plante & Family
	12:15 pm	RIP Gus Gilarski	Joey Gilarski
Sat. Aug. 29	10:00 am	RIP Jim Bradford	RCIA
	10:00 am	RIP Rita Schmitz	Ken, Karen & Steven
	7:30 pm	For All Parishioners	Fr. Dominic
Sun. Aug. 30	9:00 am	RIP Crawford Conrad	Ken & Ken De Roo
	9:00 am	Lil Sianchuk	Janice & Family
	11:00 am	Chris Pugh	Kailyn Olsen
Tues. Sept. 01	9:00 am	RIP Ignazio Scaletta	Sally & Family
	9:00 am	RIP Louise Gagne	Executive & Members CWL of Manitoba
Wed. Sept. 02	10:30 am	RIP Louise Gagne	Mary Kiazzyk & Family
	10:30 am	RIP Lorne Gruber	Carol & John MacKenzie
Thurs. Sept. 03	9:00 am	RIP Juliette Desroches	Celeste & Family
Fairview Home	10:30 am	RIP Frank Adamski	Maria Adamo
Fri. Sept. 04	9:00 am	Dany & Eric	Michael Dubois Family
	12:15 pm	RIP Louise Gagne	Bea Gross
	12:15 pm	RIP Anne Chag	Vic & Rose Hercun
Sat. Sept. 05	10:00 am	RIP Larry Marshall	Mom
	10:00 am	RIP Jim Bradford	Deacon John & Carol MacKenzie
	7:30 pm	RIP Dorothy Inglis	Ken, Karen & Steven
Sun. Sept. 06	9:00 am	RIP Guy Goulet	Mom & Dad
	11:00 am	For All Parishioners	Fr. Dominic

Please note that the morning mass on Wednesday, Sept. 2 is at 10:30 a.m. We will be having a deanery meeting that day, so will begin with mass.

21st Sunday In Ordinary Time

Catechism of the Catholic Church

1333-1336: The signs of bread and wine and the new meaning given to them

Mon.	St. Bartholomew (Revelation 21.9-14)(John 1.45-51)
Tues.	St. Louis of France/St. Joseph Calasanz (1 Thessalonians 2.1-8)(Matthew 23.23-26)
Wed.	(1 Thessalonians 2.9-13)(Matthew 23.27-32)
Thurs.	St. Monica (1 Thessalonians 3.7-13)(Matthew 24.42-51)
Fri.	St. Augustine of Hippo (1 Thessalonians 4.1-8)(Matthew 25.1-13)
Sat.	Beheading of John the Baptist (Jeremiah 1.17-19)(Mark 6.17-29)
Sun.	22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time (Deuteronomy 4.1-2, 6-8) (James 1.17-18, 21-22,27)(Mark 7.1-8, 14-15,21-23)
Mon.	(1Thessalonians 4.13-18)(Luke 4.16-30)
Tues.	(Thessalonians 5.1-6, 9-11)(Luke 4.31-37)
Wed.	(Colossians 1.1-8)(Luke 4.38-44)
Thurs.	St. Gregory the Great (Colossians 1.9-14)(Luke 5.1-11)
Fri.	(Colossians 1.15-20)(Luke 5.33-39)
Sat.	Our Lady's Saturday (Colossians 1.21-23)(Luke 6.1-5)
Sun.	23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time (Isaiah 35.4-7)(James 2.1-5) (Mark 7.31-37)



VOCATION VIEW: Jesus teach us about life everlasting. "Your words Lord are spirit and life ..." It is this that gives us hope when we despair, a way of living when we stray from God's way. "The words I have spoken are spirit and they are life." It is God's words that we need to hear to lift our spirit and give life. Pray for vocations.

THE WEEK AHEAD.....

Mon. 24	Charismatic Prayer Group	7:00 pm
Tues. 25	Legion of Mary	4:30 pm
Fri. 28	Mass followed by Adoration	12:15 pm
28	Confession	4:00-4:45 pm
28	Holy Hour	4:00 pm
28	Benediction	5:00 pm
Mon. 31	Charismatic Prayer Group	7:00 pm
Tues. 01	St. Vincent de Paul	9:30 am
01	Legion of Mary	4:30 pm
Thurs. 03	Choir Practice	7:30 pm
Fri. 04	Mass followed by Adoration	12:15 pm
04	Confession	4:00-4:45 pm
04	Benediction	5:00 pm

FINANCES:	RECEIPTS:
Collection for the Weekend for Sunday Aug. 9 & Aug. 16, 2009	
Offertory Collection (Brandon)	\$14346.20
School Fund Collection	\$ 50.00
Restoration Collection Aug. 9 & Aug. 16, 2009 -	\$7209.50

NEW TO OUR PARISH? CHANGING YOUR ADDRESS?
PLEASE FILL OUT THIS FORM AND PLACE IT IN THE SUNDAY COLLECTION BASKET

NAME: _____
 ADDRESS: _____
 POSTAL CODE: _____ PHONE: _____

NEW PARISHIONER REQUIRES ENVELOPE
 MOVING OUT OF PARISH CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Vigil Lamp
 The light burns in memory of

Rene Van Damme week of Aug. 24, 2009
 Guy Goulet week of Aug. 31, 2009

YOU ARE CALLED TO SHARE YOUR FAITH in September by sharing your talent and faith by being a Catechist at Weekly catechism classes. Classes are Wednesdays 4:00-5:00 pm and Thursday 6:30-7:30 pm. If you are interested please call the parish office or email Sr. Therma, M.A.C.E. stiajoc1966@yahoo.com.

CWL Post-Convention will be held Sept. 19, 2009 in Winnipeg at St. Paul the Apostle Church. Registration is \$5 and lunch is \$10. All CWL members welcome! If you are interested in attending please contact Dianne Fox. Registration deadline is Sept. 8.

Summer Mass Schedule:
Saturday Evening: 7:30 p.m., Sunday 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

CWL Members mark your calendars!

- CWL Executive Meeting will be held Tuesday, September 1st at the home of Gerry Kennedy. Pot luck supper to begin at 5 p.m.
- CWL General meeting will be held Tuesday, September 8th with Mass at 5:30 p.m. and pot luck and meeting to follow.

From Father Dominic's desk:

New Parking Regulations: Please note the new parking signs in front of the church. The No Parking regulations will hopefully more easily permit the drop off and pick up of those with special physical needs. Thank you for your cooperation.

Changing of the guards: A few years ago, the Archdiocese adapted the protocol of a more frequent changing of ministries. Mr. Brian McKinnon was hired by the Archdiocese to teach the values of this frequent change. A term of ministry is now normally from 3 to six years. Changing ministry more frequently helps to insure that a person does not become stagnant and also allows new ideas to surface. A six year term as parish trustee has been reached by Denis Badiou. We thank Denis for all of his dedicated service over the past six years. Denis stuck with his ministry through some turbulent times in the parish. May God Bless you.

Our new parish trustee is Brian Schoonbaert. Brian is not new to the finance council. He served for a while just prior to Fr. Barry Schoonbaert's arrival as pastor. Brian brings a wealth of experience and expertise with him. Brian begins with a three year term as Parish trustee on Sept. 1, 2009. Welcome Brian and thank you for your availability.

Summer Vacation: I will be away on August 25 & 26. During my absence Father Kelly Boyden who is the new R.C. Chaplain in Shilo has agreed to preside at the 9 am masses on those two days.

Catechists and Volunteers meeting on September 9, @ 4:00 p.m. at St. Augustine Church - Room 108. Attendance is a must any further questions please call Sr. Therma - 727-4728/727-2997 or email stiajoc1966@yahoo.com

RCIA: You are Welcome to come and see our special RCIA process for adults to inquire about the Roman Catholic Faith. Please contact Deacon John for more information at 727-4728.

Welcome to Our Christian Community: Brett Michael Solomon, Evan Ronald Sisson, Jackson Hunter Batenchuk, Ava Lynn Grace McDougald

Marian Eucharistic Conference, on Sept. 4, 5 & 6 in Winnipeg. For more information call 204-268-2046, or www.marianconference.com. Register early.

Teresa (Tess) McLaren is celebrating her 100th birthday on September 1, 2009. A tea will be held in her honour at the Dinsdale Personal Care Home from 2 - 4 p.m. on Saturday, September 5, 2009. All are welcome to stop by and wish her well. Best wishes only.

As **Rita Forest** prepares to return to the Carmelite convent in Quebec the parish family of St. Mary's wishes to extend to her their gratitude for selflessly sharing her many gifts and talents with the entire parish. We pray for God's blessings on her as she faces new challenges and lives out the plan God has for her. We wish to thank Rita for the many ways she has blessed our community. We say "God be with you" with memories of beautiful environment, great catechesis, and many good times we have enjoyed. May she always know that the love that forms us as a community will be with her forever.

Cat.Chat Concert in Brandon - Young couples who would like to be a part of the organizing team for the Cat.Chat Concert in Brandon, please call the parish office at 727-4728 and leave your name and number so we can determine our first organizer's meeting.