



In Or Out?

As believers, one of the temptations we face is using religion to give us a false sense of security. This can happen if we reduce religion to keeping a set of rules. Keep the rules and you're in, break the rules and you're out. And, of course, everyone else is in or out according to how they keep the rules. But that's not what Jesus taught. He said it quite clearly, "I desire mercy, not sacrifice." When the Pharisees saw Jesus at dinner with people whom they considered as outsiders, they asked Jesus' disciples: "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" The Pharisees had drawn very strict and unbreakable lines, but Jesus had not paid attention to this kind of segregation. He refused to place the tax collectors, prostitutes and sinners in a box. On the contrary, these were the people with whom he often shared a meal. Life is not meant to be weighed on a scale. Do we take care only of those who will be able to pay us back? Do we forgive and love those only who promise to forgive and love us in return? Do we help others only on the condition that they will help themselves as we have helped them? And on and on it goes. If we find ourselves always carrying imaginary scales around with us, then we have not taken to heart the words and example of Jesus. Most of us would admit that there is a certain comfort in knowing where one stands and who are the insiders and the outsiders. But that's not the kind of world that Jesus desires. By associating with sinners, Jesus blurs the lines between people and offers the gift of his divine and all embracing welcome to all, no matter who they are. Peace, Fr. John Vella (June 8th, 2008)

MASSES FOR THIS WEEK

Tues.	June 10	9:00 am	RIP Marcela Vaskor	Ken, Karen & Steven
		9:00 am	RIP Mrs. Mikulica	Adam, Laura & Samuel
Wed.	June 11	9:00 am	RIP James Walsh	Julia & Family
		9:00 am	RIP Venance Deschambault	Marge et famille
Thurs.	June 12	9:00 am	RIP Frank Fitzpatrick	Janet & Family
Fairview Home		10:30 am	Emily Potvin	Martens Family
Fri.	June 13	9:00 am	RIP Edee Szturm	Frank & Family
		12:15 pm	RIP Ralph Jaffray	Cecile Chicoine
Sat.	June 14	10:00 am	RIP Archie McDonald	Leann Simms & Chris McCannel
		5:00 pm	For All Parishioners	Fr. Dominic & Fr. Raju
		7:30 pm	RIP Ignazio Scaletta	Sally & Family
Sun.	June 15	9:00 am	RIP Mario Adamo	Maria & Family
		10:30 am	RIP Alex Suski	Eileen & Family
		12:30 pm	RIP Jeannette Arpin	Alice Brown
Rivers	June 15	11:00 am	Fr. Dominic (13 th Anniversary)	Marlene & Frank Hayhurst
	June 22	11:00 am	No Mass please come to St. Augustine's	

**10th Sunday of Ordinary Time
Catechism of the Catholic Church
1846-1848: Mercy and sin**

- Mon. **St. Ephrem**
(1 Kings 17:1-6)
(Matthew 5:1-12)
- Tues. (1 Kings 17:7-16)
(Matthew 5:13-16)
- Wed. **St. Barnabas**
(Acts 11:21-26; 13:1-3)
(Matthew 10:7-13)
- Thurs. (1 Kings 18:41-46)
(Matthew 5:20-26)
- Fri. **St. Anthony of Padua**
(1 Kings 19:9, 11-16)
(Matthew 5:27-32)
- Sat. **Our Lady's Saturday**
(1 Kings 19:16, 19-21)
(Matthew 5:33-37)

- Sun. **11th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
(Exodus 19:1-6)
(Romans 5:6-11)
(Matthew 9:36-10:8)

Farewell for Fr. Raju: On Wednesday, June 25th, at 7:00 p.m. There will be refreshments & cake in honor of Fr. Raju who will be moving to Virden. Everyone is invited to attend.

St. Therese College Presents Eucharistic Congress Production Monday, June 9, 7:00 p.m., **St. Augustine's School Gym** Tickets: \$5 (single) / \$15 (family) St. Therese College of Faith and Mission is a new faith formation program located in Bruno, SK. Our spirituality is based upon the little way of St. Therese of Lisieux - doing all things with great love for God. We have been accepted to present a world premiere musical drama at the International Eucharistic Congress in Quebec City this June. On our pilgrimage to the Congress, we are stopping in Brandon to present this same production which we will be doing in front of the world in Quebec City! Please join us and support our mission.

What's Your Mission?? Is God calling you to share your faith? September 2008 weekly catechism classes need your talent and faith as a catechist. Wednesday 4:00-5:00 p.m. or Thursday 6:30- 7:30 p.m. Call Linda or the Parish office and leave your name and phone number.

Retirement Gathering: After 48 years of dedicated service to the Archdiocese of Winnipeg, Msgr. Louis McCloskey will be retiring. The Parishes of St. Theresa's, St. Margaret's & Notre Dame cordially invite everyone to a come and go reception in his honour on Sunday, June 29th, 2:00-4:00 p.m. at St. Theresa's Parish 3597 Main St. West St. Paul. Msgr. requested that there be no gifts just your wishes. For further information contact Ron Dobrinsky 339-4859 or rondob@mts.net.



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VOCATION VIEW: Jesus knew that when we are committed to whatever we are doing no obstacle can prevent us from reaching our goal. So Jesus could say: "If you will not take up your cross and come after me you are not worthy

