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St. Francis Xavier, a welcoming faith community lovingly sharing the gifts of God.

SUNDAY EUCHARIST

Saturday 4:30 PM
Sunday 10:30 AM

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Cancelled until further notice

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

In the Quiet Room
Saturday 4:00 PM to 4:15 PM
Sunday 10:00 AM to 10:15 AM
First Friday before 8 AM mass
Or by appointment. Call Fr. Brennan Ext 1
or Fr. Coyne Ext 4

COMMUNION TO THE SICK OR SHUT-INS

Contact the parish office to arrange for this Ministry

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Please contact Father Brennan at least six months before the proposed celebration as a preparation program is required.

BAPTISM

Please contact Fr. Brennan regarding upcoming preparation

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SIXTEENTH & SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS

MON. July 19
 8:00 am Mary Mahoney - The Maloney Family
 TUES. July 20
 8:00 am Mary McCann - Nancy Sheedy
 WED. July 21
 8:00 am Eileen Vice - Andy & Ruby Prince & Family
 THURS. July 22
 8:00 am Repose of the Soul of Dolly McDonald
 (1st Anniversary) - Daughter, Debra
 FRI. July 23
 8:00 am Intentions of Family & Friends
 - A Parishioner
 SAT. July 24
 4:30 pm Intentions of the Parishioners - Fr. Brennan
 SUN. July 25
 10:30 am Arnold & Shirley Kennelly
 - Greg & Verna Kedrosky
 In Thanksgiving (50th Ann. in 2020)
 - Art & Marilyn Campbell

LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS

MON. July 26
 8:00 am Rose & Lorne Hebert
 - Marlene & Andrew Shulist
 TUES. July 27
 8:00 am Ray Wojcik - Gail & T. J. Pastway
 WED. July 28
 8:00 am Intentions of Family & Friends - A Parishioner
 THURS. July 29
 8:00 am Dec'd Members of the Gray & Craig Families
 - Jack & Gerry Craig
 FRI. July 30
 8:00 am Des McIntyre - Marcella Cybulski & Family
 SAT. July 31
 4:30 pm Intentions of the Parishioners - Fr. Brennan
 SUN. Aug. 1
 10:30 am Joseph Lee - The Family

PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED

We pray for our loved ones who have died, especially Des McIntyre and Leo Donohue, brother of Angela McAdam.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AND SHUT-IN

We pray for those who seek God's healing, especially Marcella Cybulski, Darlene Shields, Annlea O'Rourke, Gail Caillier, Doris Long, Johanna Mathieu, Margarita Kurth, Betty Sammon, Sylvie Lafontaine, Stella Shalla and Georges and Jeannette Blanchette.

Sunday Offering July 4th: \$6,536.34

Envelopes: \$3,498.00;

Monthly EFT: \$2,723.34; Weekly EFT: \$240.00;

Loose: \$75.00

Sunday Offering July 11th: \$4,351.00

Envelopes: \$3,991.00;

Weekly EFT: \$240.00; Loose: \$120.00

Education of Priest: \$1,120.00 to date

Parish Supper Donations: \$7,875.00 to date

Care Fund: \$250.00 over last two weeks

WHAT IS DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE ANYWAY? Meeting & Workshop

Details: Thursday, July 22nd at 6:30 pm on Zoom or via phone

Registration Required:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZErcO6vqj8sG9asxETIDKL7xofhDeByLNxV>

No access to internet? Call Tara at 613 738-9644 ext. 224. If you have time, please feel free to peruse the video and written resources on D&P found here and come with questions:

<https://padlet.com/thurford1/5szdcxgxfhh41tis>

CCCB STATEMENT - DATE OF THE DELEGATION TO THE HOLY SEE

Following the 10 June 2021 announcement regarding the delegation of Indigenous people to meet with the Holy Father to foster meaningful encounters of dialogue and healing, the Catholic Bishops of Canada are pleased to announce that the delegation is scheduled to take place from 17-20 December, 2021 in compliance with global travel restrictions. Pope Francis is deeply committed to hearing directly from Indigenous Peoples, expressing his heartfelt closeness, addressing the impact of colonization and the role of the Church in the residential school system, in the hopes of responding to the suffering of Indigenous Peoples and the ongoing effects of intergenerational trauma. The Bishops of Canada are deeply appreciative of the Holy Father's spirit of openness in generously extending an invitation for personal encounters with each of the three distinct groups of delegates – First Nations, Métis and Inuit – as well as a final audience with all delegates together on 20 December 2021. This pastoral visit will include the participation of a diverse group of Elders/Knowledge Keepers, residential school survivors and youth from across the country, accompanied by a small group of Bishops and Indigenous leaders. Planning for the delegation is ongoing and further details will be announced when they are available. The Bishops of Canada reaffirm their sincere hope that these forthcoming encounters will lead to a shared future of peace and harmony between Indigenous Peoples and the Catholic Church in Canada. 29 June 2021

MESSAGE FROM THE BISHOP

Catherine Doherty's insight on evangelization: second of three parts

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Last week (June 29), I brought you part one of three of a reflection by Catherine Doherty on the topic of evangelization. If you didn't get a chance to read the first part, go to the diocesan website and check out last week's [Weekly Bulletin](#). Here is the second part of an excerpt from Chapter 7, taken from the book entitled: "*The Mystical Body of Christ*."

Sincerely yours in Christ our redeemer,
+Guy Desrochers, C.Ss.R.
Bishop of Pembroke

EVANGELIZATION - GOOD NEWS AS GIFT

Chapter 7, *The Mystical Body of Christ* by Catherine Doherty, © Madonna House Publications 2013

Evangelize by word and by your life

Evangelizing doesn't mean, though, that you just preach the Gospel with your words; words are cheap, unless they are incarnated. By 'incarnated' I mean that the words you say match the acts that you do, the life that you lead. To evangelize we do have to speak the word of God, for it comes by hearing. But if we 'preach' and in our own life you or I contradict that preaching, then people will leave the Church instead of coming into it. To evangelize another I must love him or her; without my love, no evangelization is possible. The Good News will fall flat on the hearts and ears of people if they are not presented with love.

Evangelizing is a very simple thing, but you have to pray in order to express the love that fills your heart, especially if you are shy and don't want to talk. God wants to use us as he used the uncouth, unlearned disciples for whom he thanked God saying, "I bless you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for hiding these things from the learned and the clever and revealing them to mere children." (Mt 11:25) May we desire to be used by him, no matter the cost to us.

Love is transmitted by the fire in our hearts. It is transmitted by a glance, by shaking a hand or holding a hand, so that the power of your love passes to the other. It is found in an intense listening that makes the listener feel that you are completely interested in him or her, and nobody else. That kind of love comes directly from God. Does he ask that we should be highly educated, or have facility of tongue and speech? It doesn't seem so. All of us who have been baptized must speak the Gospel by deed and then by word.

Start with friendship, person-to-person

One technique in loving others is what I call the "chitchat apostolate," a homey person-to-person approach. It is a way of loving, of discovering the real needs of people. The chit-chat apostolate is but another way of speaking of friendships that are formed apparently casually, yet not so casually. When we are walking or traveling, we can be filled with our own thoughts and unconcerned about the people we meet—or we can love and be concerned about everyone, every step of the way. We are often afraid to meet the other person, the stranger. Well, the inner freedom to open a conversation is achieved by prayer. This personal approach is effective. We need to reach out to people, person to person.

The chitchat apostolate is essential to friendship, to brotherhood. Our cities are becoming more cosmopolitan and the differences in mores, language, attitudes spring unbidden before our eyes. It is imperative that we believe that we are all brothers and sisters under the skin, all parts of one humanity. Our love must have the quality of empathy, putting ourselves in the place of the other, feeling what they feel and thinking as they think.

We need to walk softly; the whole process is gentle, never violent, never coming from one who thinks himself better than the one he serves. Patience and time are required, to listen to those who are inarticulate, who take a long time to express themselves, but somehow the ingenuity of love can find the precious commodity—time—to listen. As you listen, evaluate how best to respond. We Christians must use all our might to do this, through prayer and more prayer, for people's souls have been burdened with terrible hurts.

The chitchat apostolate is an exchange of hearts, an exchange of minds. Being an evangelizer is being a bridge between God and man, but I must be well-anchored in God to be able to give God to man. That is really what it amounts to.

To be continued...

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