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WHO DO YOU SERVE?

Our readings offer us examples of how we should be living, and they present us with an opportunity to make a radical change in our lives.

In our first reading, Joshua tells the leaders of the Israelites to decide as to who they shall serve in this life. As he presents them with this choice, he boldly states, "As for me and my household, we will serve the Lord." Who or what does your household serve? Whether you are a household of one or twelve, now is the time to decide, 'will we serve the Lord?'

We are constantly bombarded with endless distractions around us. It can be very easy to serve other 'gods' in our lives. For instance, putting technology (phone, internet, TV), kids' extracurricular activities, our jobs, or our social lives before the Lord. We also might be putting these things above our loved ones, and if we are doing that, then we are putting them above our relationship with God.

With this in mind, we must strive each day to intentionally live as disciples of Christ. It starts with commitment - incorporating personal daily prayer and increasing that prayer week by week, incorporating prayer into our marriages and families, frequenting the sacraments, and serving others. Through this time with the Lord and service to those around us, He will reveal to us where to go next.

Reflect on how you may not be putting God first in your life and decide to respond like the Israelites, "Far be it from us to forsake the Lord for the service of other gods... Therefore we also will serve the Lord, for he is our God."

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Sunday Masses
Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm
Sunday 10:00 am

Weekday Masses
See Schedule on the inside of the bulletin

In Office Hours
Tuesday & Thursday 9:00 am to 12:00 pm

Administrative Assistant
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Reconciliation/Confessions
4:00 pm - 4:30 pm

Requesting Sacraments
Must be registered and practicing
Call office for details

St Martin Elementary School
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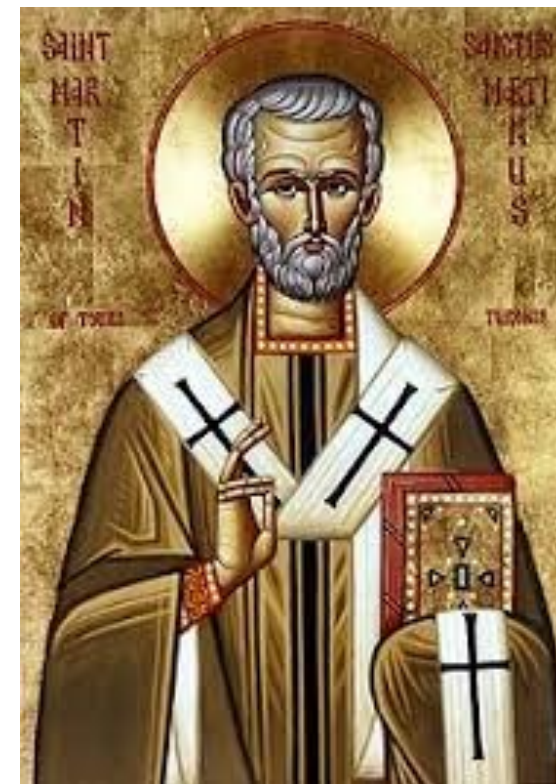
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August 22, 2021 - Year -B

The 21st Sunday Of Ordinary Time

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Mon	Aug 23	NO MORNING MASS TODAY/ Father Christopher's Day Off. Weekday Masses return as Father Christopher has had to cancel his few days off.	
Tues	Aug 24	9:00 am No Intention requested	
Wed	Aug 25	9:00 am No Intention requested 10:30 am - 12:pm Gethsemane Centre Mass/ Adoration/ Confessions	Fr .Christopher
Thurs	Aug 26	9:00 am No Intention requested	
Fri	Aug 27	9:00 am +Joe Terpstra 10:30 am - 12: Noon Home/Front Door Visitations - Call office to Register. 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm Praise and Worship at Gethsemane Centre	by John & Judy Terpstra Fr. Christopher Fr .Christopher
The 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time			
Sat	Aug 28	5:00 pm +Martha Devlin	by Rodney & Joyce Ross
Sun	Aug 29	10:00 am +Pro Populo Dei - For the special intentions of St. Martin's Parish Family 2:00 pm Baptism of Nash Levi Policelli	

ONLINE EUCHARIST

Cathedral of St. Catharine of Alexandria

Sunday Mass live stream at 11:30 am.

Visit the diocesan website for viewing:

www.saintcd.com or on YouTube

St. Joseph Grimsby:

<http://www.facebook.com/StJoeGrimsby>

Vision TV: Sun - 8:00 am

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Sat - 8:00 am & 9:30 am

Salt + Light: Sun - 11:00 am & 10:30 pm

Mon - Sat - 6:30 am, 11:00 am,

3:00 pm, 10:30 pm

Yes TV: Sun - 10:30 am

Mon - Sat - 1:00 pm

Internet : www.dailytvmass.com

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If you wish to follow the readings during Mass using your electronic device, you may follow this direct link for the current day's readings.

(<http://usccb.org/bible/readings/index.cfm>).

SUNDAY MASSES

With Phase 3 of Ontario's Reopening plans remaining as we enter Fall, it is necessary to add an extra Sunday Mass. Social distancing is still required and therefore we have a limited number of pews. Hopefully as we see a return of more parishioners, we need to offer some choices and more availability. Beginning Sunday, September 12th - a 11:30 am Mass will be offered for a trial period of six weeks until October 17. If there is an active attendance for this Mass it will continue. Thank you.

COVID PROTOCOLS FOR MEETINGS IN THE HALL

As churches are now allowed to have meetings, the following Covid Protocol must be adhered to during Phase 3 of Ontario's reopening plans:

- Indoor capacity restricted to 25 people indoors and 100 people outdoors.
- Face Masks must be worn at all times.
- 6 feet physical distance must be maintained before, during and after all meetings.
- Sanitize hands upon entering the building
- One person to sign people in with date, name and phone number of all attendees. This Covid contact list must be kept for 6 years.
- The kitchen cannot be used.
- All tables and chairs must be returned to the storage area.

ONTARIO MOVING TO STEP 3 OF REOPENING - FRIDAY, JULY 16, 2021

- Expanded capacity for religious services, rites, ceremonies including weddings and funerals.
- No fixed capacity is mandated, however, since physical distancing requirements remain in place, indoor capacity is about 33% capacity.
- Requirements for masks or face coverings remain in place in indoor public settings and are likely to remain in place until at least September.
- Contact tracing is to continue.
- The dispensation from Sunday Mass attendance remains in effect.
- Since face coverings are still required, there is no congregational singing in Step 3.
- At the pastor's discretion, indoor meetings and gatherings may resume as long as attendees maintain physical distancing and wear face coverings.
- Social gatherings and organized public events will be restricted to 25 people indoors and 100 people outdoors.
- Funeral service providers/cemeteries may have no capacity limit for attendance at cemetery services. Thank you.

UPCOMING BAPTISMS

Nash Policelli - Aug 29

Beckham Murphy - Sept 5

Emma Bruccoleri - Sept 12

Hayes Burkey - Sept 19

E-TRANSFERS

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