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Pastor Reflects...

In *Let us Dream* (2020), Pope Francis denies that our old ways will spring back once the pandemic ends. Global rupture brings change. But what kind? Can we imagine a world without the pandemics of indifference, divisions, and dehumanization? Pope Francis calls the church to "open its doors more widely" and to walk with the Popular Movements. There we can discern imposters from the truth.

"On the margins I have discovered so many social movements with roots in parishes or schools that bring people together to make them become protagonists of their histories, to set in motion dynamics that smacked of dignity. Taking life as it comes, they do not sit around resigned or complaining but come together to convert injustice into new possibilities. I call them "social poets." In mobilizing for change, in their search for dignity, I see a source of moral energy, a reserve of civic passion, capable of revitalizing our democracy and reorienting the economy. It was precisely here that the Church was born, in the margins of the Cross, where so many of the crucified are found. If the Church disowns the poor, she ceases to be the Church of Jesus." (120)

The Kingdom of God arises at the margins. Let us be there not just in the building- but in the renewal of our minds and hearts as we move forward with HOPE!

In the first reading and the Gospel, there are storms, and the storms are calmed by the power of the Lord. Jesus tells His disciples that they should have faith, that they are not alone. When the storms arise, Jesus will be there to help them. He calmed the waves and quieted the wind.

Bad weather is not the only storm we encounter in life. We have to weather all kinds of storms in our lives. There's an illness, loss of loved ones, and actual storm damage. Things don't always go the way we would like them to, but Jesus is there with us, through the good and the bad, calming the winds and helping us through.

"Once the storm (pandemic) is over, you won't remember how you made it through, how you managed to survive...But one thing is certain. When you come out of the storm, you won't be the same person who walked in. That's what this storm's all about." (Haruki Murakami)

Shalom, Christopher+

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Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm
Sunday 10:00 am

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See Schedule on the inside of the bulletin

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June 20, 2021 - Year-B

The 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Mon	June 21	8:00 am - 9:00 am Eucharistic Holy Hour of Reparation 9:00 am +Martha Devlin 6:30 pm Diocesan Council for Development & Peace meeting	by the Chorley family Fr. Christopher
Tues	June 22	9:00 am +Norma Pouliot (Mother of Marcel Pouliot)	by Father Christopher
Wed	June 23	9:00 am +Emma Coughlan 10:30 am - 12:pm Gethsemane Centre Mass/ Adoration/ Confessions	by Julie Notarianni Fr. Christopher
Thurs	June 24	9:00 am For the special intentions of Fr. Christopher 7:00 pm St. Martin Catholic Cemetery Meeting- Crying Room	by Heather Belmont Fr. Christopher
Fri	June 25	9:00 am For the special intentions of the Belmont children & grandchildren 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 Heather Belmont Fr. Christopher Fr. Christopher
The 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time			
Sat	June 26	5:00 pm +Martha Devlin	by Cheryl Ecker
Sun	June 27	10:00 am Pro Populo Dei - For the special intentions of St. Martin's Parish Family	

ONLINE EUCHARIST

Cathedral of St. Catharine of Alexandria

Sunday Mass live stream at 11:30 am.

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"VIRTUAL" CHILDREN'S LITURGY "

Our Children's Liturgy, under the direction of Mrs. Noseworthy is posting videos, lessons and the parish bulletin every Sunday at 10 am, to our catholic education community. Thank you; and God bless! We appreciate your ministry immensely.

HAPPY FATHER'S DAYS TO ALL FATHERS, STEPFATHERS, GRANDFATHERS, FOSTER FATHERS AND FATHER FIGURES

JUNE - THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS

The Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus recalls Christ's love for us. Here are five facts that you may not know about this important feast of Our Lord.

1. The devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus took centuries to become a universal celebration

This Devotion goes back to the 11th century. St. Margaret Mary Alacoque had multiple visions of the Sacred Heart between 1673 and 1675. However, it wasn't until 90 years later in 1765, that the feast was officially celebrated in France. In 1856, Pope Pius IX made the feast of the Sacred Heart into a universal celebration.

2. The first feast of the Sacred Heart was actually celebrated in 1670

Even before St. Margaret Mary Alacoque had her visions of the Sacred Heart there was a recorded celebration of this feast. The first feast of the Sacred Heart was celebrated on Aug. 31, 1670 in Rennes, France.

3. The feast takes place on the 19th day after Pentecost

The feast of the Sacred Heart is scheduled to be celebrated on the Friday after the octave (eighth day) of the feast of Corpus Christi. Corpus Christi is traditionally the Thursday after Trinity Sunday.

4. Jesus made 12 promises to those who honor the Sacred Heart to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque:

1. I will give them all the graces necessary for their state in life.
2. I will establish peace in their families.
3. I will comfort them in their trials.
4. I will be their secure refuge during life, and, above all, in death.
5. I will shed abundant blessings on all their undertakings.
6. Sinners will find in My Heart an infinite ocean of mercy.
7. Lukewarm souls will become fervent.
8. Fervent souls will rapidly grow in holiness and perfection.
9. I will bless every place where an image of My Heart shall be exposed and honored.
10. I will give to priests the gift of touching the most hardened hearts.
11. The names of those who promote this devotion will be written in My Heart, never to be blotted out.
12. I promise thee, in the excessive mercy of My Heart, that My all-powerful love will grant to all those who receive Holy Communion on the First Friday of nine consecutive months, the grace of final penitence; they shall not die in My disgrace nor without receiving their Sacraments; My Divine Heart shall be their safe refuge in this last moment.

NATIONAL INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY:

Eucharistic Holy Hour of Reparation on Monday, June 21, parishioners are invited to come together in an act of reparation for the atrocities committed due to the residential schools policy in this country, particularly the shame brought on by the discovery in Kamloops, B.C. We must all work to advance reconciliation and renew relationships with Indigenous peoples, based on recognition of rights, respect, cooperation, and partnership, especially in light of recent happenings.

As the summer solstice takes place the day before, at 11:30 p.m. or so, perhaps we can have this Holy Hour beginning at 8:00 a.m. on June 21 and finishing just before the usual 9:00 celebration of Eucharist. As the Church in Canada and elsewhere in the Americas keeps December 12 as a National Day of Prayer in Solidarity with Indigenous Peoples, so we will call upon Our Lady of Guadalupe's special mediation for the healing of our land while we participate in the secular observance of June 21.

ST. MARTIN CHURCH AND THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO REOPENING PLAN

We have a light that is dimly glowing at the end of the COVID-19 tunnel in the Province of Ontario! Step 1 of the "Roadmap to Reopen" began on Friday, June 11, 2021. Each step lasts a minimum of 21 days – movement to the next step is also impacted by the number of positive COVID-19 cases in the province, demand on the Intensive Care Unit (ICU) in hospitals as well as vaccination rates for Ontarians.

15% Capacity will not require you to register, but we will register you all the same as we shall keep attendance records. Come early so as not to be disappointed. And we do mean that! "The early bird gets the worm."

Scheduled readers and ushers will now return. Physical distance, hand sanitizing; wearing of a face mask will continue. Please do not gather in foyer or outside after Mass. An Usher will continue to direct you to your pew. (Weekends Only)

Thank you for your consideration, co-operation. We shall keep you updated as we move into the next step.