

MASS SCHEDULE - Sacred Heart

Sat, Aug 15	Vigil of 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time
SH 5:30 PM	For all Parishioners.
Sun, Aug 16	20th Sunday in Ordinary Time.
SH 9:00AM	+Anita Whitney from Dolly Bolger.
12:00PM Latin	+Patricia and Louis Hughes from Brand family.
Mon, Aug 17	Mass at St. John the B. 8:00 AM
Tues, Aug 18	Ferial Weekday
SH 8:00AM	+ Joseph Duffus from family.
Wed, Aug 19	Mass at St. John the B. 8:00 AM
Thu, Aug 20	St. Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church
SH 8:00AM	Joanne Harries from Ironside family.
Fri, Aug 21	St. Pius X, Pope
SH 8:00AM	Living and deceased members of Lac and Cabral family from Lac family.
Sat, Aug 22	Vigil of 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:30 PM	For all Parishioners.
Sun, Aug 23	21st Sunday in Ordinary Time.
SH 9:00AM	+Anita Whitney from Dolly Bolger.
12:00PM Latin	Intention of Dan and Catherine Connell on their 35 th wedding anniversary from Steve and Bonnie Jalsevac.

Weekend of August 9 th		
Mass	Attendance	Contributions
5:30pm Sat & 9:00am Sunday	31 118	\$ 1503.00
12pm Sun(Latin) Aug 2	90	\$ 971.10
Online donations:		\$ 224.00
Total	238	\$ 2698.10
Fuel and maintenance \$375, Vocation and youth \$70		
Thank you for your generosity and support!		

PASTOR’S MESSAGE

Dear Parishioners,
This weekend we have the passage of the Canaanite woman. The Gospel says: **“behold, a Canaanite woman of that district came and called out, ‘Have pity on me, Lord, Son of David!’** This woman, who comes from a Gentile people, represents the Church coming from the Gentiles. When she says **“Lord,”** she is professing Christ as Lord and acknowledging His divinity. When she says **“Son of David,”** she is confessing Him as the promised Messiah, the Son of David, according to His humanity. Then she adds:

“My daughter is tormented by a demon” This symbolizes the Church interceding for the Gentile nations, asking Christ to deliver them from the power of the devil. But Jesus did not answer her. He did not do this out of pride or indifference, for He knew what He was going to do. Rather, He allowed her to persevere in prayer, to manifest her faith more clearly, and also to draw forth the intercession of the Apostles.The disciples ask Him: **“Send her away, for she keeps calling out after us”** But He said: **“I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel”** But is He not also the God and Savior of the rest of the world? Indeed He is. Our Lord says this deliberately, not to exclude the Gentiles from salvation, but to test and manifest the woman’s faith and perseverance. **“But the woman came and did him homage, saying, ‘Lord, help me’”** Despite what seemed to be a refusal, she continued to insist.Then He said in reply: **“It is not right to take the food of the children and throw it to the dogs”** The children represent the people of Israel. The bread represents the Word of God. The dogs represent the Gentiles. The Jews commonly used the term “dogs” for pagans and idolaters. Yet Christ uses the diminutive expression, “little dogs,” which softens the harshness of the term.The woman does not contradict Him. Instead, she replies: **“Please, Lord, for even the dogs eat the scraps that fall from the table of their masters”** She humbles herself before the Lord and trusts that even the smallest grace from Him will be enough. She simply trusts in His goodness and power.
At this Jesus praises her faith: **“O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish”** Her faith is like that of the Roman centurion, another Gentile (image of the Church) who became an example of extraordinary faith. When Jesus heard the centurion’s words, the Gospel says: **“He was amazed and said to those following him, ‘Amen, I say to you, in no one in Israel have I found such faith.’”**
Let us ask the Blessed Mother to obtain for us these three virtues from this woman:
1- Faith, because she believed that the Lord could heal her daughter;
2- Perseverance, because every time she seemed to be rejected, she pleaded all the more and refused to abandon her prayer and

3- Humility, because she accepted the Lord’s words without becoming discouraged or offended, and trusted that even the smallest grace from Him would be enough.
Fr. Gaston Giacinti, IVE

WEEKLY NEWS

Friday Adoration at Sacred Heart

Every Friday there is adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at Sacred Heart in reparation for the offences made to the Sacred Heart of Jesus from 1:00 to 6:00PM and confessions from 4:30 to 6:00PM.

Altar Boy Group at Sacred Heart

3rd Wednesdays of the month from 6:30pm to 8:30pm.

“Voces Verbi” Youth Group

1st Wednesdays of the month from 6:30pm to 8:30pm.

Rosary Group- Please join the Rosary group which meets every Thursday at 1:00 to pray the rosary for the needs of the Universal Church.

DIOCESAN & OTHER NEWS

Corn Roast - August 28th St. Peter the Apostle Parry Sound

_Come hungry and leave with a full heart! Join us on Friday, August 28 for St. Peter the Apostle's 2nd Annual Parish Corn Roast. Enjoy fresh corn on the cob, pulled pork, baked beans, coleslaw, dessert, live music, and great fellowship. Proceeds will support the capping of our stained-glass windows and the painting and repair of the church's front columns. Tickets are on sale now at the Welcome Desk after Masses and at the parish office: \$20 for adults, \$10 for children 10 and under. We hope to see you there!

GOSPEL Matthew 15.21-28 of Sun August 16

Jesus went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. A Canaanite woman from that region came out, and started shouting, Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon. But he did not answer her at all.

And his disciples came and urged him, saying, Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us. He answered, I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.



But the woman came and knelt before him, saying, Lord, help me. He answered, It is not fair to take the childrens food and throw it to the dogs. She said, Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters table.

Then Jesus answered her, Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish. And her daughter was healed instantly.

Prayer for the Diocese During the Episcopal Transition

Gracious and loving God,
You shepherd Your Church with unfailing care. In this time of transition, we place our diocese into Your hands.

We pray for Bishop Miehm as he follows Your call to serve the Diocese of London as its 11th bishop. Gracious God, we thank you for the profound gift of Bishop Miehm's ministry among us, and we pray that your Holy Spirit continues to guide, strengthen, and fill him with joy.

We pray for the selection process and discernment for our new Bishop. Send Your Holy Spirit upon Pope Leo XIV, the Apostolic Nuncio, and all entrusted with the sacred task of selecting our next shepherd. Grant them wisdom, discernment, and hearts deeply attentive to Your will.

Raise up for us a bishop after Your own heart: a servant leader who walks with humility and joy; a faithful teacher who proclaims the Gospel with boldness and clarity; a compassionate listener who unites our community in love and mercy.

May our new shepherd be a voice for justice, a comfort to the wounded, and a dedicated guide for the journey ahead. Help us, Your faithful people, to remain steadfast in hope, rooted in prayer, and open to the movement of Your grace.

We ask this through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Good Shepherd, who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever. Amen



Pro - life Corner

Dear parishioners,
you are invited to the “Pro-Life Hospital Walk” from 10-11a.m. on the first and third Saturdays of each month. Please join us in witnessing our faith and bring a friend!