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Most Rev. Gerard P. Bergie D.D. Mass Schedule Diocesan Bishop Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 8:30 a.m. **Pastor** Fr. Greg Schmidt frgregoryschmidt@gmail.com Saturday 5:00 p.m. 9:00 a.m. (Children's Liturgy of the Word) Sunday **Deacons** Deacon George Newman 11:00 a.m. **Deacon Brian Jeynes** Confessions **Director of Music** Dr. David Holler 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. or by appointment Saturday Maintenance Jim Salmon Office Hours Administration Christine Buckley Monday to Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Cheryl Wood



# August 28, 2022 Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's readings remind us of a chief virtue that characterizes the Christian steward: humility. This is a virtue that is widely thought of as a form of self-abasement. That understanding, however, is off the mark. Humility is simply the awareness of who (and Whose) we truly are. On one hand, we are children of the Most High God who loved us into existence and who, by virtue of our Baptism, have the Holy Trinity dwelling within us. On the other hand, we are children who are completely dependent on God for our existence and for every breath we take.



Our Lord speaks of true humility in our Gospel passage from Luke, telling the parable of the guests invited to a wedding banquet and instructing us not to seek a place of honor at the banquet table, lest a more distinguished guest arrives and we are asked to move to a lower place.

Jesus has much more in mind here than an etiquette lesson. He is reminding us that all glory belongs to God. The visual image He offers in having to slink down to a lower seat at the table points out how silly we are when we forget to give God the credit for our blessings and talents.

On the other hand, when we live in humility — recognizing that all we have is a gift from God and using those gifts to serve Him and others — then God "exalts" us by filling us with even more of Himself and His grace.

Jesus goes on to encourage us to serve and share our blessings with people facing circumstances that would make it impossible for them to offer us any worldly advantage or prestige — "the poor, the crippled, the lame."

Our attitude and how we serve and share should be centered on true humility — recognizing that we are all "little" ones in the eyes of God. We are all His children; brothers and sisters invited to our Father's heavenly banquet.

Stewardship Reflections by Catholic Stewardship Consultants

# Parish Calendar

# Monday, August 29

8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - Robert DeCoste †
Colten Smith †

# Tuesday, August 30

8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - Chuck Masse †

### Wednesday, August 31

8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - Anointing of the Sick Michael Stasiak † | May Higgins † Special Intentions

Thursday, September 1 - No Mass

### Friday, September 2

8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - Dianne McMahon † 9:00 a.m. (Livestream) - Holy Hour

# Saturday, September 3

5:00 p.m. (Livestream) - John & Margaret Doodeman †

# Sunday, September 4

9:00 a.m. - Mass for the People 11:00 a.m. - Carl Van Belle †

# Offerings for July

Envelopes	\$ 13,992.20
Monthly Preauthorized Giving	9,484.77
Canada Helps	525.43
Interac e-Transfer	2,695.00
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Total \$ 27,577.40

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# Are You Being Called?

"Go and teach all nations, says the Lord."

Do you feel a calling to be a teacher of the Word as a priest or consecrated religious?

Contact Fr. Greg at the church office, 905 684 5603 or email frgregoryschmidt@gmail.com.

# A Prayer of Thanks

Thank you, God, for the pleasures of summer, the bright sunny days and perfect moonlit evenings, the smells of mowed grass and air thick with rain.

Thank you for days at the lake and evenings chasing fireflies, for vacations and festivals, picnics and cookouts, baseball and concerts and swimsuits and popsicles.

Thank you for the fireworks of thunderstorms, for watermelon sweetness, for summer's pace and summer's grace, for all your beauty and power, faithfulness and fecundity displayed in summer,

Amen.

CATHOLIC And LIVING IT! August, 2022



# Catholic Women's League Corner

Thank-you to our St Julia community for your response to our inaugural blood drive. We sincerely appreciate the many who took the time to find out if you qualified as a donor and those who made or are scheduled to make a donation as part of Team St. Julia/ Team Catholic Women's League of Canada. You have proved once again that "St. Julia is a caring community".

# Special Blessings from Your Parish Family

Help us recognize significant anniversaries and birthdays in our Parish Community this year.

> Anniversaries - 25, 40, 50, 60, 65 Birthdays - 80, 85, 90, 95, 100

Please let the office know if you are celebrating one of these special occasions so we can honour and celebrate with you.



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