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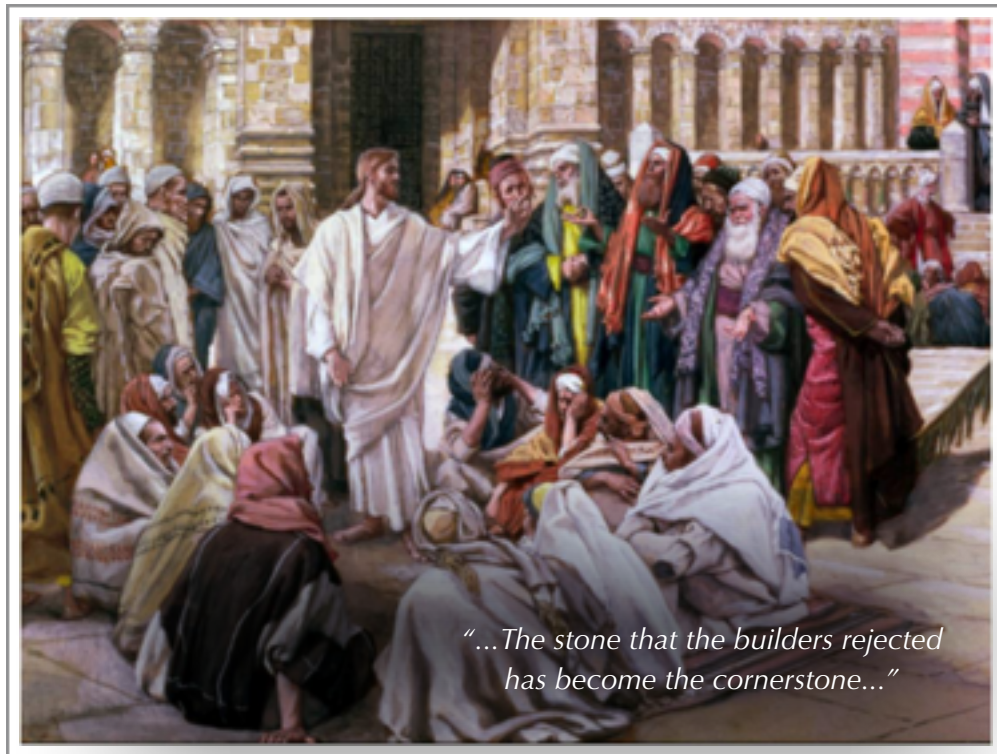
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Twenty-Seventh Sunday *in* Ordinary Time

October 8, 2017



"To transform the world by choosing unconditional love and sacrifice"

- Parish Mission Statement

Masses of the Week

Monday, October 9, 2017

- Ferial

No Mass / Office Closed - Thanksgiving Holiday

TUESDAY, October 10, 2017

- Ferial

7:00 p.m. Liturgy – Novena Mass in Honour of St. Gianna

Intention: + *Therese Cyrenne / Doug & Paulette Sutherland*

WEDNESDAY, October 11, 2017

- Ferial

9:30 a.m. Liturgy

Intention: *John Kevin Robles / Mr. & Mrs. Robles*

THURSDAY, October 12, 2017

- Ferial

1:00 p.m. Liturgy at Lindenwood Terrace

Intention: *In Thanksgiving / Marietta Catalla & Family*

FRIDAY, October 13, 2017

- Ferial

9:30 a.m. Liturgy

Intention: + *Peter Moss Sr.*

SATURDAY, October 14, 2017

2:00 p.m. Nuptial Celebration - Crawford / Sutjiadji

- *Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

4:30 p.m. Liturgy

Intention: *Meinard Garcia / Armand & Mary Ann Garcia*

SUNDAY, October 15, 2017

- *Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

9:00 a.m. Liturgy - Intention: For All Parishioners

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"Therefore, I say to you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that will produce its fruit." The chief priests and elders listening

to Jesus must have been furious. After telling the parable about the tenants who abused the owner's property and killed his son, Jesus had a tough lesson to teach. He compared the Jewish leaders to these terrible tenants. They, like the selfish workers in the vineyard, were guilty of not respecting proper authority and of trying to seize control—not of grapes, in this case, but of religious matters. In short, they were not bearing fruit for God's kingdom, but only for their own prestige and privilege.

Before we spend too much time criticizing them, however, we would do well to examine ourselves. If Jesus were standing in our midst right now, would he have a similar warning for us? We may not be religious leaders, but we are like those tenants in many ways because we have been made stewards of the gifts of God. We receive his help and grace through the sacraments, for example. Are we good stewards of this grace, or do we take it for granted and fail to nourish it to produce good fruit?

And what about the personal gifts that God has entrusted to each of us? We all have certain skills, talents, experiences, and opportunities thanks to God's work in our lives. Do we make the most of these things or do we settle for the easy road? Do we thank God for them or consider them to be our own?

God has trusted us with a place in the world, *his* world. He is the ultimate authority here and all things we enjoy come from his hands. May we have the humility and gratitude to use his gifts for his glory and not just our own.

Readings for the Week of October 8 - October 15, 2017

Sunday: Isaiah 5:1-7 / Philipians 4:6-9 / Matthew 21:33-43

Monday: Jonah 1:1-2:2, 11 / Luke 10:25-37

Tuesday: Jonah 3:1-10 / Luke 10:38-42

Wednesday: Jonah 4:1-11 / Luke 11:1-4

Thursday: Malachi 3:13-20b / Luke 11:5-13

Friday: Joel 1:13-15; 2:1-2 / Luke 11:15-26

Saturday: Joel 4:12-21 / Luke 11:27-28

Sunday: Isaiah 25:6-10a / Phil 4:12-14, 19-20 / Matt 22:1-14

PARISH TEAM

Reverend Darrin J. G. Gurr

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Rachel Suarez-Banmann

Pastoral Associate responsible for Children's Faith Formation

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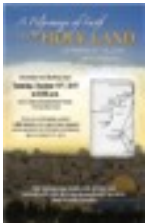
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Sunday's Offertory - October 1, 2017

Pre-Authorized Giving: (318 households on PAR)	\$ 13,098.90
Noah's Buddies / Youth:	\$ 22.40
Loose:	\$ 992.08
Votives:	\$ 313.41
<u>Novena Mass</u>	<u>\$ 463.95</u>
TOTAL:	\$ 14,890.74

Our minimum weekly offertory income requirement is \$ 20,000.00

2018 Pilgrimage Info & Booking Night - This Tuesday!



Next fall, a Pilgrimage of Faith to the Holy Land is set for October 14-25, 2018 with Fr. Darrin. An Information & Booking Night will take place Tuesday, **October 10, 2017 at 8:00 p.m.** as St. Gianna's Church. There are only 20 spots available and a **\$500.00 deposit** AND a **copy of your passport** will be required at the October 10

meeting to reserve a spot. The total Pilgrimage price, including hotel, air travel, tours, taxes and some meals will be approximately \$5000.00 per person, *based on double occupancy. Don't miss out on this transformative opportunity!

Parish Directory Photo Sessions - October 10-14



All members of our parish community are invited to participate in the creation of our first parish photo directory. Participation in this endeavour is free of charge and all participants will receive a copy of the completed parish directory. Portrait sessions for September 26-30 are complete and additional dates have been added for **October 10-14**. All sessions are held at St. Gianna's Church and will take approximately 30-40 minutes. Sign-up for your portrait session in the narthex after the Sunday liturgies or click on the link you may have received by email as a parishioner (please update your email with the parish). Your participation is essential in making our directory complete!

Ministries: Commitment Sunday - Oct. 7/8 and 14/15



The opportunity to become involved in a Liturgical Ministry begins now! This weekend, **October 7th & 8th**, 2017 sign-up and join a liturgical ministry. Simply bring in your completed Commitment Card to

Mass and visit our Ministries Renewal table this weekend or next weekend, and place your completed Commitment Card in the Ministries Drop Box in the narthex.

A Place at the Table Ministries...

Our first two ministry groups are now ready to begin:

Ministry for the Separated and Divorced

This ministry group will provide an opportunity for those who have lived through or are living through a separation or divorce. This group is designed to be a place where solace, hope, encouragement and the gifts of our faith can be better discovered and appreciated. The first gathering will take place on Thursday, **October 12th at 7:00 p.m.** in the Narthex.

Ministry for Catholic Singles

This ministry group will provide an opportunity for our single members to come together to share and understand the blessings and challenges of being an unmarried person in the world and church today. Though this group will include a social dimension, its primary focus will be the network and unique support that only singles can ultimately give to one another. The first gathering will take place on Thursday, **October 26th at 7:00 p.m.** in the Narthex.

Fall Symposium Experience - RESCHEDULED!



The celebration of the Mass is at the core of all that we believe as Catholics. Yet, so much of what it is about remains unclear or perhaps a total mystery. All who participate can be assured of an even greater celebration of the Sunday Liturgy.

Date: Thursday, November 16, 2017

Time: 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Presenter: Fr. Darrin Gurr

NEW DATE, NEW TIME!

*** Please confirm your participation at stgianna@mymts.net**



The "Call for Conscience" Campaign

Bill 34 - the Medical Assistance in Dying Act (Protection for Health Professionals & Others Act) is passing through the Manitoba Legislature. If passed, it will provide conscience protection for health care professionals in Manitoba from having to act against their conscience. This Bill would make participation in assisted suicide voluntary. Write to your MLA today!

Go to: www.canadiansforconscience.ca/manitoba

Watch the video and complete the petition template to email your MLA and the Manitoba government encouraging our government officials to support this bill.



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