

Church of the Most Holy Redeemer

June 3rd, 2018

Body and Blood of Christ

REFLECTION

“I Would Like to Say Mass.”

Dominic Tang, the courageous Chinese archbishop, was imprisoned for twenty-one years for nothing more than his loyalty to Christ and Christ’s one, true Church.

After five years of solitary confinement in a windowless, damp cell, the Archbishop was told by his jailers that he could leave it for a few hours to do whatever he wanted.

Five years of solitary confinement and he had a couple of hours to do what he wanted! What would it be? A hot shower? A change of clothes? Certainly, a long walk outside? A chance to call or write to family? What would it be, the jailer asked him. “I would like to say Mass,” replied Archbishop Tang.

The Vietnamese Jesuit, Joseph Nguyen-Cong Doan, who spent nine years in labor camps in Vietnam, relates how he was finally able to say Mass when a fellow priest-prisoner shared some of his own smuggled supplies.

“That night, when the other prisoners were asleep, lying on the floor of my cell, I celebrated Mass with tears of joy. My altar was my blanket, my prison clothes my vestments. But I felt myself at the heart of humanity and of the whole of creation.”

Today’s feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Jesus constantly calls us beyond ourselves to sacrificial love for others.

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GIFT BEARERS:

4 PM : Betty Ann & Michael Mokler
9 AM : Holly MacDougall & Catechism Children:
& any children who would like to join procession.
11AM : Hoa & Hue Nguyen

ALTAR SERVERS:

4 PM:
9 AM: Minh Chou: Minh Van: Abby Peters
11AM: Hy Tran: Taylor Tran: Julia Smith: Anna
Compton

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Mon: 9:00 Souls in Purgatory
Tues: 9:00 Intentions of Parishioners
2:00 Special Intention (Garden Home)
Wed: 9:00 Gerry DesRoches : Special Intention
Thur: 9:00 Garnet MacGuigan
Fri: 9:00 Geraldine MacMillan
10:30 Brian & Arnold Murphy
Sat: 4:00 Evelyn & Alban Murphy : Melanie
MacDonald : Jean Roche
Sun. 9:00 Special Intention
11:00 Intentions of Parishioners

Sunday Collection: \$ 3,737.45
Capital Exp \$ 3,259.70 YTD \$13,562.99
Perpetual Help Acct \$ 201.20 YTD \$ 536.73

PARISH:

PARISH PRAYER TEAM : Parishioners are invited to have prayers said for their loved ones who may be ill, undergoing tests or surgery, suffering from stress, mental health, addiction issues, for a deceased family member, or prayers of thanksgiving, etc. A small confidential “Parish Prayer Team” has been established by the Pastor, Fr. Joseph. You may do so by placing your prayer request in the box at the back near the main aisle of the church or contact, in confidence: Betty Doucette, Lay Pastoral Associate at

628-1782 or our pastor, Fr. Joseph Dovari at his cell phone: 628-9463. If your call goes to voice mail, leave a number where you can be reached . You can contact Fr. Joseph by e-mail at: dovarijoseph@yahoo.com

STAY CONNECTED YOUTH RETREAT : All youth ages 15 and up are invited to a day retreat at St. Paul’s Parish in Summerside on July 21st. The retreat will begin at 9:30am with Mass and the Holy Eucharist, followed by a welcoming and registration. This retreat will focus on God’s love and the relationship we have with him. Throughout the day, there will be a variety of activities, as well as the Sacrament of Reconciliation and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. The day will conclude at 4:00pm. Light lunch and refreshments included. Admission is free. Deadline for registration is July 17th. For info or to register: (902) 436-5386 or sacredheartpei@gmail.com.

CWL NOTICE: Those members who have confirmed their attendance are reminded of our June get-together at Papa Joe’s Restaurant at 6PM, Tuesday, June 5th.

TWENTY-NINTH DIOCESAN SCRIPTURE INSTITUTE: July 2-5, St. Pius X Church, Charlottetown. *Peter and Paul: Apostles and Martyrs*. Led by Dr. PHEME PERKINS. Brochures available in the churches. All welcome!

MIKINDURI CHILDREN OF HOPE : The Royal Cdn Air Force Assoc. is partnering with Mikinduri Children of Hope to finance the building of a classroom including supplying desks and teaching resources and building a composting toilet at the school for the children of Mageta Island, Kenya, Africa. Draw date at the Black Memorial Golf Tournament on June 25/18. Only 200 tickets sold (\$100 each) Prizes: 1st \$8000., 2nd 1000., 3rd 500., 4th 500. Contact: Ted 394-0690: Gaylene 566-1072 : Karen 887-2417: Amanda 394-1043 : Elaine 569-9124.

CONNOLLY ESTATE BURSARIES are now available to qualifying university students in their first, second, third or fourth year. A change in policy means university students can now receive support for a maximum of four years (not two). In addition, college students who are completing a joint program/degree

may also qualify during their university studies. The bursaries are open to full-time university students who are male or female, Roman Catholic, and Irish in heritage. Applicants must demonstrate financial need. Apply at www.owenconnollyestate.com before August 31. Recent bursaries have been in the range of \$3,000/year, though they may be lower depending on market returns and the number of applicants.

CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION: At St. Patrick's Church Grand River, on the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi), June 3rd, 2018, at 3PM with exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and a short time of prayer. Procession will be made to honour the great gift of the Holy Eucharist and to walk with Jesus in community. There will then be an outdoor procession, which will be followed by a time of adoration, and will conclude with a light reception. Everyone is welcome

MARTHA SPIRITUALITY CENTRE presents (902-367-3103 or srgemma@eastlink.ca) Registration required. **Getting a Handle on Stress Workshop #1** On Thursday June 7 and repeated on June 14 at 7pm with Louise Carota. Donations accepted each evening. **Getting Along with Others and Ourselves #2** on Friday June 8 and repeated on June 15 at 7pm with Louise Carota. Donations accepted each evening.

CANADIAN GOLD MINING in the Dominican Republic is the topic of a presentation and dialogue to be held on Sunday, June 10, 2018 at 2:00 PM at Our Lady of the Assumption Parish Hall, Stratford. Ryan MacRae will speak from the Dominican Republic (DR) on this issue.

JACK BLANCHARD FAMILY CENTRE (Holy Redeemer Parish Centre): For your Banquets, Meetings, Receptions, Weddings Receptions, Birthday Parties, Funeral Receptions, Workshops (Bar Service available), call the Office at 894-7385.

SENIOR ACTIVITIES - PARISH CENTRE Auction 45's Wednesday at 1:30 PM (except Holidays.)