Mass Intentions from September 17-23, 2022

Sat. Sept 17/4:30 p.m. Andre Ladouceur & Patricia Gallagher - Deacon Nathan

Sun. Sept 18/10:00 a.m. Nick Baird -Teresa Baird
Eileen Shanahan - Shanahan & Scott families
Anna & Giovanni Bellini - Domenic Bellini & family

Joe Giancola & Giuseppe Venanzi

Andre Ladouceur & Patricia Gallager

- Parishioner's

Memorial - St. Matthew (Apostle)

Wed. Sept 21/10:00 a.m. Nick Baird

Teresa Baird

Thu. Sept 22/10:00 a.m. Antonio Muzzo

- Salvatore & Elvira Muzzo

Memorial - St. Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio)

Fri. Sept 23/10:00 a.m. Living & Deceased members of the Baird, Shanahan, Scott, Ryan, Malone, Faherty, McGarry & Kostner families - Teresa Baird

25th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Year C)

"You cannot be the slave both of God and of money."

First Reading (Amos 8.4-7)

The Lord's word against those who buy the poor for silver.

<u>Second Reading</u> (1 Timothy 2.1-7) Let prayer be offered to God for all, to God who desires all men to be served.

Gospel (Luke16.1-13) You cannot serve God and wealth.

Reflection: Being intent on achieving an end can lead one to expend time and energy on furthering the means to reach that end. In the First Reading, Amos chastises the dishonest merchants who seek the end of the periods of holy times when no business can be conducted and who weight the scales to their benefit when dealing with buyers. The psalm praises the LORD GOD Who will ultimately lift up the poor and downtrodden. In the Second Reading, St. Paul exhorts Timothy to have the faithful in the community at Ephesus pray not only for their spiritual leaders, but also for all who exercise authority over them and to have them work for the same purpose and with the same intensity as GOD does – for the salvation of all people. In the Gospel, Luke presents Jesus telling the parable of the dishonest steward and concluding the parable with three lessons dealing with usage of what we have, fidelity of those in roles of responsibility, and the incompatibility of serving GOD and any other purposes.

Possessions can trap and enslave people. They are most joyous when they are shared and used to build up communities. Today, we live in a world divided into the rich and the poor, the have's and the have not's, were some have too much to eat while other don't to have enough. We live in a world that encourages gaining at the expense of other people. As Christians it's very difficult to avoid being part of this greed – it is so firmly rooted and built into the very structure and fabric of our society. The whole system of the world seems to be weighed against the weak and shore up the strong and powerful. It's very difficult to live in this world, whilst still as St John says, not being of the world. The world is thirsty for the news that the Gospel preaches that we all gain most by giving. That involves protecting the weak and disadvantage, looking after the poor, feeding the hungry and giving sight to the blind, binding up the broken hearted and proclaiming the day of the Lord.

May you continue to seek to work for the spread of GOD's Reign to others.

Today is Catechetical Sunday.

We should continue to honor those who are willing to share their faith with others by being catechists (religious educators). We also realize that all of us are called to be involved in the catechetical ministry and be proclaimers of the Good News to those with whom we come in contact – our family, our co-workers, our friends, and those whom we encounter in our day-to-day lives.

CATECHISM CLASS 2022-2023

Sunday, September 18th 9:00am-11:00am First day of class.

For new and returning students Faith Education Registration form is available on our website www.strichards.ca and at the back of the church. If you know of any child that is in grade 1 and is not part of a catholic formation program, please spread the word about the program at St. Richard's!

If you are interested to volunteer your time as a Faith Education teacher, please see Lina Forlini or you may call the office (514) 488 0778 or email strichard@videotron.ca

Thanks for your cooperation. Look forward to seeing you all again.



BBQ....
NEXT SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25th,
AFTER THE 10 A.M. MASS.

Tickets are available for purchase Adults \$10 each

Kids 6 and under enjoy for free!



The Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week Giving Thanks to the Lord & St. Blaise.

By- Paulina & Rosolino Salvati.



JOHN 14:6



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The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops is the national assembly of Catholic Bishops. Contributing to this collection is an act of collaboration with the Bishops in their ministry of teaching, sanctifying and pastoral governance.

"Challenges and favours which the Lord gives... are the way by which he wanted his Church founded and established by the Apostles and Disciples. This is the same grace he has made to the Church in Canada, by which it has taken all its force and growth, and is sustained and maintained by patience and long – suffering in peace and union with Our Lord, all as he is pleased to permit."

(Saint François De Laval, first Bishop of New France, from a letter to the Vicar General of the Diocese of Québec, 15 February 1686)

Next Sunday a Second collection will be taken after Communion.

Please use the envelope assigned in your box "The Canadian Bishops' Collection".

We Thank You in advance for your generosity!

RESOURCES

PREGNANT? LIVING ON LOW INCOME?

For a healthy baby and family.

Ask and receive, free of charge:

- Food vouchers
- Prenatal multivitamins
- Nutritional follow-up

Contact your CLSC to find out how.... https://sante.gouv.qc.ca/en/repertoire-ressources/clsc

OR contact 211

For website information in the bulletin you wish to learn more... please visit our website www.strichards.ca In the bulletin you can click on the website. Thank you!