Kids Column

Lk.12:32-48

BIG HOUSES

What is Your Treasure?

In today's Gospel reading, Jesus talks about being ready for when He comes again. He reminds us that having nice things here on earth MONEY JEWELS CARS does not help us get into Heaven.

Jesus said "Where your treasure is there will your heart be also." RICH FRIENDS He means that the things that are important to you show what it is that you love. If money or

food or nice clothes are the most important things in your life then it shows that you love them more than you should. But if being kind and helpful to others and loving God are more important to you than having nice things, then you have a good treasure stored up for Heaven.

When we die everything we have will be gone. All that we will have to show to Jesus are the things that are in our hearts. If you only loved having nice stuff

then the treasure box of your heart will be empty. If you loved God and others and were faithful to God then your treasure will still be FORGIVENESS full. So fill your heart with treasure that will last forever!



SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

HOPE

PEACE

GENEROSITY

Baptisms are usually celebrated on the fourth Sunday of every month. Please contact the Parish Office at least **6 weeks** before the date.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

Couples must contact the Parish Office to arrange at least 6 months before the desired date.

MASS INTENTIONS:

Intentions must be booked at least by the Wednesday, one week before the desired date.

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Jesus tells us to be prepared for when He comes back. We don't know when that will be so we should always be ready.

Help these children find their way to Jesus!

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Jubilee 2025: Pilgrims of Hope



19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - 10TH AUGUST 2025 - YEAR

Faith of our Fathers.

We are born of the faith of our fathers, descending from a great cloud of witnesses whose faith is attested to on every page of Scripture. We have been made His people, chosen for His own inheritance, as we sing in this Sunday's Psalm.

The Liturgy this week sings the praises of our fathers, recalling the defining moments in our "family history." In the Epistle, we remember the calling of Abraham; in the First Reading we relive the night of the Exodus and the summons of the holy children of Israel. Our fathers, we are told, trusted in the Word of God, put their faith in His oaths. They were convinced that what He promised, He would do. None of them lived to see His promises made good, for it was not until Christ and His Church that Abraham's descendants were made as countless as the stars and sands. It was not until His Last Supper and the Eucharist that "the sacrifice . . . the divine institution" of that first Passover was truly fulfilled.

And now we too await the final fulfillment of what God has promised us in Christ. As Jesus tells us in the Gospel, we should live with our loins girded, as the Israelites tightened their belts, cinched up their long robes and ate their Passover standing, vigilant and ready to do His will.

The Lord will come at an hour we do not expect. He will knock on our door, inviting us to the wedding feast in the better homeland, the heavenly one that our fathers saw from afar, and which we begin to taste in each Eucharist. As they did, we can wait with "sure knowledge," His Word like a lamp lighting our path. Our God is faithful, and if we wait in faith, hope in His kindness, and love as we have been loved, we will receive His promised blessing and be delivered from death.

(excerpt:stpaulcenter.com)

CONFESSIONS

Every Saturday 9.00 - 10.00 a.m

by appointment

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First Reading Wis.18:6-9

Second Reading

Heb.11:1-2,8-19

Gospel

Lk.12:32-48

MASS TIMES

Gros Islet

Morning Prayers: Mon -Fri 5:45 a.m.

MONDAY

6:00 a. m./12:30 p.m.

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6:00 a.m.

WEDNESDAY 6:00 a.m./12:30 p.m. **G/Riviere**: 6:00 p.m.

THURSDAY 6:00 a.m./12:30 p.m.

FRIDAY 6:00 a. m./12:30 p.m.

SATURDAY

6:30 a.m./6:00 p. m.

SUNDAY Gros Islet/G. Riviere 7:30 a.m.

Gros Islet/Monchy

10:00 a.m.

HOLIDAY Variable

St. Maximilian Maria Kolbe - Feast Day August 14

He was born Raymund Kolbe in 1894 in Poland which was at that time part of the Russian Empire. In 1907 he and his elder brother decided to join the Conventual Franciscans. He took final vows in 1914, adopting the name Maximilian Maria, to show his veneration of the Blessed Virgin Mary. In 1918 he was ordained a priest.

During his time as a student in Rome, he witnessed demonstrations by Freemasons against Popes Pius X and Benedict XV. This inspired him to organize the Militia Immaculatae (Army of Mary) to work for the conversion of sinners and enemies of the Catholic Church, through the intercession of the Virgin Mary.

In 1919 he was diagnosed as having tuberculosis and returned to a newly independent Poland. Here Maximilian founded a Franciscan community which combined prayer, cheerfulness and simplicity of life with modern technology, as well as a seminary, a radio station and several other organizations and publications. He was also very active in promoting the veneration of the Immaculate Virgin Mary.

During the Second World War his friary provided shelter to refugees including 3,000 Poles and 1,500 Jews. Maximilian was also active as a radio amateur, attacking Nazi activities through his reports. Kolbe was finally arrested on 17 February 1941 as a journalist, publisher and 'intellectual'. He was imprisoned and on 25 May was transferred to Auschwitz.

In July 1941 a prisoner from Kolbe's barracks escaped, prompting the deputy camp commander to pick 10 men from the same barracks to be starved to death. When one of those selected cried out in distress at having been chosen, Maximilian volunteered to take his place. He stepped forward, saying: "I am a Catholic priest. I wish to die for that man. I am old; he has a wife and children."

During the days in the death chamber of Cell 18, he led his companions in songs and prayer. After three weeks of dehydration and starvation, only Kolbe and three others were still alive. He was finally put to death on 14 August 1941 with an injection of carbolic acid.

Maximilian Kolbe is the patron saint of drug addicts, political prisoners, families, journalists, prisoners and the pro-life movement.

(excerpt: sacredspace.ie)

"Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends." Jn.15:13

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Patsy Crafton Iris Macauldy Martha Mason Marie Joseph Anne Marie Felicien

DECEASED

Felix Eugene Adams Alexis Peter Norville Gilbert Emilien Therese Jn. Baptiste

WEEKDAY READINGS



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MASS INTENTIONS		
GROS ISLET	CLERGY/RELIGIOUS	INTENTIONS
19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR C		
Sat Aug 9- 6:00 p.m.	Poalm ?? Hanny Are The Pennle	B'day: Rev. Anthony Louis Joakim George, Suzanna Gabriel-Valcin Thks: Sandra Aimable, Flavien family Algitha Richelieu & family
Sun Aug 10- 7:30 a.m.	Familia and trapply the the recode	MISSA PRO POPULO
10:00 a.m.	the Lord Has Chosen	B'day: Lawrencia Matthew Thks: Mary Sidoine Lions Club of Gros Islet Holy Spirit: Mary Popo
Grande Riviere - 7:30 a.m.	THE FAIR HAS ALLOYALI	Thks: Lucella Sandiford & family
Monchy - 10:00 a.m.	A MERCHANA ZAMON II,	B'day: Mary Mathurin Guid & Protec: Marcella Johnson
WEEKDAY MASS INTENTIONS		
Mon Aug 11 - 6:00 a.m St. Clare, Virgin	Fr. Joseph Xavier	B'day: Everton Ambrose Ophelia Gaspard
12:30 p.m.		Dc'd: Rudy Lubin, Roseline Herman Felicien & Raymond families
Tue Aug 12 - 6:00 a.m.	Fr. Festus Iwuagwu Rev. Wilfred Harris Rev. Marcellus Serieux	B'day: Laurencia Cadette IHO Blessed Trinity: Ayinde Popo
Wed Aug 13- 6:00 a.m.	Rev. Madison Stanislaus Rev. Vincent Norbert Rev. Anthony Pierre	IHO St. Michael: Memory d'Auvergne Clecious Aurelien
12:30 p.m.		Dc'd: Kevin Haywood
Gros Islet - 6:00 p.m.		Parishioners
Thu Aug 14 - 6:00 a.m St. Maximilian Kolbe Priest & Martyr	Sr. Mary Dungdung Sr. Mercy Masaka	IHO St. Michael: Maryline & Celesta Thomas Thks: Cyrillia & Althea Palton
12:30 p.m.		Guid & Protec: Bernard Jean Mikaela & Imani Elliott
Fri Aug 15 - 6:00 a.m. Assumption of the BVM	Rev. Jeremy Joseph Sr. Marie Joseph	Dc'd: Teresa Huntley James & Paulina Prudent
12:30 p.m.		Thks: Virginia d'Auvergne B'day: Ayinde Popo, Natalia Joseph
Sat Aug 16 - 6:30 a.m. BVM	Rev. Errol Frederick	B'day: Armstrong Alexis