

Вітаємо Всіх до Нашої Парафії! Welcome Everyone to Our Parish! A Place of Prayer, Family and Community for More than 50 Years

Epistle ~ Romans 10: 1-10

Gospel ~ Matthew 8:28 - 9:1

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Epistle Readers

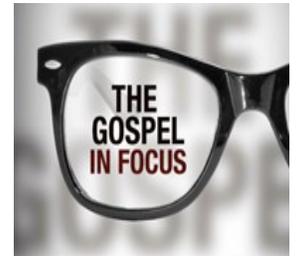
Saturday (5 p.m.): Michael Watral
Sunday (10 a.m.): Walter Warywoda

Eucharistic Ministers

Saturday (5 p.m.): Christopher Tennant
Sunday (10 a.m.): Murray Salomon

Jesus proves in today's Gospel passage that He is LORD over the natural and the spiritual. All Jesus has to say is "GO!" and thousands of demons move, and move quickly at His command because He is Lord over all. And Jesus reveals that His Kingdom has indeed arrived and the kingdom of this world has to get going and prepare to move out of the way. To be bound to the devil means to be bound to death and darkness. It means to be an enemy of God, but Jesus comes with the command to "GO", to release those who are spiritually dead and bound to the grave and to the tombs that will only result in eternal punishment. The demon-possessed cannot seek Jesus; they cannot do anything other than follow the command of the devils: that is the picture of every single sinner until the Spirit of God moves them first.

~ condensed from a sermon by Ron Tuit



PARISH NEWS & ACTIVITIES

A big **THANK YOU** to **Murray Salomon** and the **Parish Picnic Committee** for putting on another delightful event last Sunday. And although the weather did not cooperate (again), the food, drink, and fellowship made it worthwhile. Thanks also to the those who helped out in the kitchen and at bingo in the hall, and, of course, everyone who attended this year.

We extend our sincerest condolences to Linda Douglas and family on the passing of their beloved †**David**, husband, father, grandfather, uncle, brother-in-law, and good friend to many, this past Friday morning. May the Lord accept the soul of His servant into His heavenly kingdom, and may his memory be everlasting ~ Вічна йому пам'ять.

Last call for cabbage rolls before the summer break! Please sign the list in the narthex. — there is room for a few more. Cabbage cleaning will take place on **Monday, June 25** at 9:30 a.m. with preparation of rice on **Tuesday, June 26** at 10 a.m. and rolling at 12 noon. Your help is needed and appreciated!



We extend our best wishes and congratulations to **Myron and Patricia Warywoda** on the occasion of their **50th** wedding anniversary on June 28. May the Lord our God send His Holy Spirit upon them, and strengthen the commitment He implanted in their hearts on the day of their joining, and may He grant them many more happy and blessed years together ~ Многая і благая літа!

We are in urgent need of envelope counters for the months of July, October and December. If you can volunteer your services, even on one or two Sundays, or are willing to be a 'floater' to fill in at various times, it would be of great assistance. Please call Susan Soldan (475-4550) or speak to her at church as soon as possible. New counters will be paired others with previous experience; help will always be provided.

Liturgical Services for This Week

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 27

7:00 p.m. ~ Panakhyda (prayer service for the deceased)

THURSDAY, JUNE 28

11:00 a.m. ~ Funeral services for †**David Douglas**

FRIDAY, JUNE 29

9:00 a.m. ~ **Feast of Ss. Peter and Paul**

SATURDAY, JUNE 30

5:00 p.m. ~ **Sixth Sunday after Pentecost**
Epistle Reader: Gloria Sherban

SUNDAY, JULY 1

10:00 a.m. ~ **Sixth Sunday after Pentecost**
Epistle Reader: Mary Ann Lysak



Your Return Gift to God

Let us strive to live as Christian stewards, receive God's gifts gratefully, cultivate them responsibly, share them generously and lovingly with others, and return them with increase to the Lord.

Collection for June 16/17

Envelopes: \$1,338.⁰⁰
Mission Collection: \$81.⁴⁵
Papal Charities: \$20.⁰⁰
Special Projects: \$70.⁰⁰



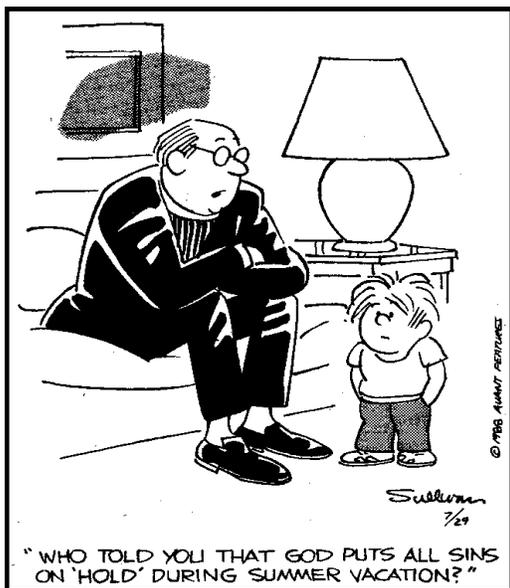
Thank you for your generosity! Щиро Вам дякуємо!

June's Mission Collection has been designated for **Isthmus**, (formerly *Blessings in a Backpack*).



Please note: Starting next week, the parish bulletin will be printed every 2nd weekend (July 1, 15, and 29; August 12 and 26) due to a decrease of activities, and to help ease printing costs. It will resume its weekly appearance the weekend of September 8/9. You can still send any announcements or items of interest to Michael Watral at mawatral@tbaytel.net, see him in church, or call him at 475-4914. Together, let's keep the lines of communication wide open so that everyone at Holy Cross can remain "in the know."

Sunday Smiles



HOLY CROSS GOLDEN AGERS

After our pleasant 'picnic' last Thursday, we will now be taking a break from regular Thursday afternoon activities which are now cancelled until September 6. We wish all members a safe, healthy and enjoyable summer — and remember to stay informed by reading this weekly parish bulletin.

The next bus to Grand Portage is on **Wednesday, July 18**, leaving our parking lot @ 3:45 p.m. and returning @ 10 p.m. To book your spot, please call Ann Kozlowski (622-3006) or Ann Opaski (577-2805). This is a **free** service for everyone including non-members 18 years and up with valid passports. Come join us for a fun evening getaway!

Our trip to Winnipeg this **September 10 to 13** is a definite "go." At the present time, the bus is filled to capacity; however, we have created a 'waiting list' just in case those who have signed up cannot, for any reason whatsoever, fulfill their commitment. If you wish to be placed on that list, please contact George Rusnick (577-3361) ASAP. He will call you if a spot opens up between now and September. It's sure to be another wonderful and memorable experience for all, with a few pleasant surprises in store as well!



ST. GEORGE'S SOCIETY

The annual Merit Award recipient is **Murray Salomon**. Congratulations Murray from your fellow members, and also many thanks to you and your Picnic Committee for putting on a very nice event last Sunday afternoon!

Many thanks to all members for your service this past society year. Our first regular monthly meeting in the fall is tentatively set for **Sunday, September 30**.



Fishermen: now that the good weather is upon us, it's time to get out those rods and reels and start filling up the slots on the Tournament Board. Please submit your weigh-in slips on a regular basis to the following Committee members: Maurice Zakrewski, Morris Tarnawsky, Myron Warywoda and Eugene Zdebiak. Good luck to all anglers, and remember to be safe on the lakes. *Tight lines to all!*

Readings for the Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

(to help prepare for the nourishment of the Word of God at Liturgy)



Epistle: Romans 12: 6-14
Gospel: Matthew 9: 1-8

As you read each passage, ask yourself these questions, "What thoughts, ideas, words or images come to mind?" and "What are the connections between them?" This will help make them easier to follow and understand.

COMMUNITY EVENTS OF INTEREST

Canada Day on the Waterfront - Celebrate July 1st at Thunder Bay's biggest annual one-day event! Programming runs from 5 - 11 p.m., culminating in the area's biggest fireworks display. Contact volunteer@thunderbay.ca for information on volunteer opportunities.

 **Staal Foundation Open** - July 9-15 at Whitewater Golf Club. Admission \$10 daily or \$30 for the week; children 14 and under FREE. For ticket sale locations, go to www.staalopen.ca. And ladies, Wednesday, July 11 is **RBC Women's Day 2018**. Check out the agenda on the website. Tickets (\$125/person) are available at any Thunder Bay RBC Branch. All attendees will receive a gift from Rosslyn Service Home Hardware.

God Does Not Take the Summer Off and Neither Should We



THE WRITER OF HEBREWS tells us "not to forsake the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but encouraging one another, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching." (Heb. 10:25)

Aren't you glad God doesn't take the summer off? Think of it. Surely He has **the** busiest job of all and perhaps deserves some time off. But then again, who will send the sun and the rain for our flowers and crops? Who will answer the prayers for the needs of our families and friends and those less fortunate? Who will send the angels to watch over us in times of trouble and tribulations...? Who will....?

Just imagine if God expressed the opinion that we should find someone else to take His place from July to Labour Day, and asked us to defer all requests during that time? We remind Him of His promise, "I will be with you always, even to the end of the world," but He responds that He did not realize when He said it that it meant going a few years without a break, and that He hopes it will not cause anyone any inconvenience. His "answering machine" will ask you to leave a message, and that He'll get back to you sometime after September 1, at which time He hopes to get back into the routine. Deep down, and because of our faith, we all know in our hearts that this would never happen.

As we begin Summer, let's make it our determination to bring ourselves and our families to God's house. He has promised to be there, and He will **always** be waiting for us to worship Him and give Him thanks for all His blessings. And don't worry, it's okay to leave the cottage once in a while — there's good weather in town — and your church needs your presence *and* support there as well.

- Author unknown



A Time to Rest and Renew Your Strength

Well, the school year is coming to an end and it's time for summer vacation. How many of you are looking forward to it? You have worked hard this year and need some time for fun, rest, and relaxation.

Did you know that Jesus taught His disciples that it was important for them to take a vacation? They travelled from town to town telling others about God and His love for them. They travelled every day preaching, teaching, and healing the sick. They worked so hard that they often didn't even have time to stop to eat or sleep. They became very tired.



When Jesus saw how tired they were, He said to them, "Come with Me to a quiet place and get some rest." The Bible then says, "So they went away by themselves in a boat to a solitary place." It is very important to notice a couple of things about what the Bible says.

First, Jesus said, "Come with Me." When we take a vacation, we need to remember to take Jesus with us. Some people never give Jesus a thought when they go on vacation. We should include Jesus in all that we do, even when we are on holidays.

Second, the Bible says the disciples went away to a quiet place. Their main purpose was to rest and renew their strength. Some people plan a vacation that is so full of activities that when they come home, they are more tired than when they left — it's true!

We hope that you have a great summer vacation. Don't forget to take Jesus with you, and don't forget to set aside some time for prayer, rest and relaxation — then come back home refreshed and renewed!

Dear Lord, thank You for vacation time when we can rest and renew our strength. Help us to remember to include You in everything we do. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Source: www.sermons4kids.com

All Things Bright and Beautiful

by Cecil Frances Alexander

All things bright and beautiful,
All creatures great and small,
All things wise and wonderful,
The Lord God made them all.

Each little flower that opens,
Each little bird that sings,
He made their glowing colors,
He made their tiny wings.

The purple-headed mountain,
The river running by,
The sunset, and the morning,
That brightens up the sky;

The cold wind in the winter,
The pleasant summer sun,
The ripe fruits in the garden,
He made them every one.

He gave us eyes to see them,
And lips that we might tell,
How great is God Almighty,
Who has made all things well.

