



## Sacred Heart Parish Bulletin

**Mass: 4:00 pm – Saturdays**  
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**July 30, 2022**  
 Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Sunday Readings, Year C:

The **First Reading** is taken from the *Book of Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:22-23* and deals with the vanity of earthly things. It discusses the problem "What value has this earthly life for man?"

The **Second Reading** is from *St. Paul to the Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11* in which he urges the converts to keep their eyes on Christ with whom they have been raised up to a new spiritual level or status. They must no longer be mixed up in the sinful things of this earth. They died to all this when they died with Christ in baptism.

The **Gospel** is from *St. Luke 12:13-21*. Jesus was surrounded by a large crowd to whom he was giving his message of salvation. Some men in the crowd asked him to arbitrate in a family dispute over property. This Jesus refused to do. This interest in property gave him the occasion to teach his hearers, and all of us, in a very effective parable, the relative value of this world's goods.

The lesson of this parable is obvious to all, and it is perhaps as difficult to put into practice as it is obvious. To be in this world and not of it, to collect the necessary goods of this world by honest labor and yet remain detached from them, to possess but not be possessed by worldly riches, is an ideal to which our weak human nature responds very reluctantly.

A large percentage of Christians, however, do respond to the challenge manfully and loyally. They earn and use the goods of this world, while at the same time they keep God's laws and earn

wealth for heaven. Some renounce even the right, which is theirs, to possess the necessary things of this world, by taking on themselves the vows of religion. Thus they set themselves free to devote their whole time and energy to the service of God and neighbor. Others, and they are of necessity the more numerous, have to own the world's goods in order to provide for themselves and their dependants, but, while so doing, they never let their temporal possessions come between them and their God. To do this is not easy, but God's helping grace is always available to the willing heart.

There is still a third group—those who resemble the foolish man described in the parable. Like him they are so enmeshed and ensnared in their desire to collect good things for their earthly life, that they forget that at any moment they may have to leave this earth and all they possess in it. They may not have large barns or grain-bins bursting at the seams with the fruits of their fields or their market dealings, but they have allowed their possessions, large or small, to become the prison-houses of their hearts and thoughts. In their mad rush for earthly treasure they give themselves no time to stop and think of the really important thing in life, namely, that soon they must leave this world and all it holds dear to them. But it is not the departure from this world that is to be feared. Rather, it is the arrival at another for which they have made no preparation. That other world of which they have often heard, but which they shrugged off as something fit for the weak-minded, will not open before them in all its awe-inspiring immensity. They will have a momentary glimpse of the eternal beauty and happiness that they lost for a "mess of pottage," before they enter the unending valley of

sorrow which they elected for themselves when, during their period of trial, they chose earthly baubles instead of God. This has been the fate of foolish men and women in the past. It will, also, be the fate of many more in the future. It could be my fate, too, unless I remain ever on the alert to keep myself free from the snare of worldly wealth. I must remember that it is not the quantity of this world's goods which I possess that will be my undoing, but the quality of the hold which they have on me. There are and will be millionaires in heaven, while many in the lower income-brackets will find themselves excluded. No man will be excluded from heaven because he lawfully possessed some of this world's wealth. But a man will exclude himself from eternal happiness if he lets this world's wealth possess him to the exclusion of God. The fate of the rich man in the parable need not, and should not, be mine. I still have time to stop building larger grain-bins and barns, and to turn my attention instead to collecting some treasure for heaven.

—Excerpted from *The Sunday Readings Cycle C*, Fr. Kevin O' Sullivan, O.F.M.

Funeral services for Vince Campbell will take place on Friday August 5<sup>th</sup>, at 11:00 am.

### Collection July 23, 2022

Envelopes	\$320.00
Loose	\$25.00
Cemetery Fund	\$10.00
	\$355.00

## NOTICES:

**1: The Johnstown Landing Artisan & Farmers Outdoor Market:** The next market is Saturday July 30; The location is directly across from the Johnstown Parish Hall located at 15290 Highway 4 in Johnstown. Time: 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

**2: Book Sale:** Anne Barrett will be selling her new book “Paintings from the Heart,” at the Market, this weekend, and at future markets and the Milling Frolic. Anyone who has been in the Johnstown Parish Hall will recognize Anne's work from the fabulous mural depicting our community and the folks that live here.

**2: Open House:** The family of the late Michael Joseph MacNeil will hold an Open House at Michael's and Carole's home in Irish Cove between 1p.m. and 4 p.m. on Sunday, August 7 to honor Michael's memory.”

**3: Giant Yard Sale:** The Knights of Columbus will host a “Giant Yard Sale” on Saturday, August 6, 2022 8:00 AM until 4:00 PM at St. Peter's Parish Church. Any gently used items you wish to donate would be greatly appreciated. All proceeds will be used for local charities.

**4: The Annual Auction** in aid of MacAskill House Museum will be held at the St. Peter's Lions Hall on Wednesday, August 3, 2022. Viewing begins at 6:00 PM and the auction starts at 7:30. Items include new merchandise, gift certificates and home baking. Door prizes and bidders' prize. The auctioneer will make it entertaining.

**5: Bangers and Mash Eat-in or Take-out Supper:** Saturday August 13<sup>th</sup> Johnstown Parish Hall. For tickets please contact any member of Sacred Heart Ladies Group – Cost \$12.00 each. Time: 4:45 pm

**6: Cemetery Mass:** Saturday August 13<sup>th</sup> Time: 4:00 pm

**7: Annual Milling Frolic and Square Dance:** Friday August 19<sup>th</sup>. Events include: Country Store, Fancy Booth, Bake Sale, Bingo, Straw Game, Lunch, Milling, Gaelic Singing and a Square Dance with Shelly Campbell and Allan Dewar. **NOTE:** The square dance this year will be a Family event, all ages are welcome. Time 7:00 pm – 1:00 am Donations will be needed for the Bake Sale, Lunch, Fancy Booth, and Country Store. A list of workers will be made at a later date. If you are interested in helping out please let Louise know.

**8: Music Royal Concert in the church - Aurore String Quartet** – Saturday August 20<sup>th</sup>, 7:30 pm \$25 at the door (\$20 advance by emailing [louisecampbel@gmail.com](mailto:louisecampbel@gmail.com)) Students \$10 at the door.

These musicians were selected out of many applicants to participate in the prestigious Equilibrium Young Artist program led by soprano Barbara Hannigan, taking place at the Lunenburg Academy of Music and Performance during the week leading up to this Musique Royale concert tour, which will finish with a Gala Concert on August 13 with the famed soprano and conductor. The quartet is made up of four of Canada's most brilliant emerging artists at the beginning of their extraordinary careers. Musique Royale is delighted to showcase their talents across the province as part of its 37th Summer Festival.

**9: Accommodations Needed:** Thanks to a few people who stepped up I only need room for 1 more person for the String Quartet on Saturday Aug 20<sup>th</sup>. There is 1 person who will be looking for a sleeping space for that evening. If you do can you let me know? Thanks Louise

**10: Music Royal Concert in the church - Curly Music** – Sunday August 28<sup>th</sup>, 4:00 pm \$25 at the door (\$20 advance by emailing [louisecampbel@gmail.com](mailto:louisecampbel@gmail.com)) Students \$10 at the door.

Musique Royale welcomes two musicians from Europe, Birgit Bornauw and Benjamin Macke to perform "Curly Music" part of the 37th Summer Festival with concerts taking place in historic venues in Blandford, Crousetown, Johnstown and Parrsboro. Birgit Bornauw and Benjamin Macke, both renowned musicians in their field, collaborate regularly and share their contagious love of this old music with great generosity and enthusiasm.

The repertoire, carefully chosen by Birgit and Benjamin, comes mainly from the Baroque period, but not exclusively, since it is a musical genre that has inspired composers to this day. The duo thus plays tunes from different eras which all have the particularity of "sounding baroque to their ears". Baroque music has many points in common with the traditional music they know well: short melodies and simple structure, significant work on variations, ornamentations, style, and a close relationship to dance.

**11: Eat-in or Take-out Supper:** Saturday September 3<sup>rd</sup>, Johnstown Parish Hall. For tickets please contact any member of Sacred Heart Ladies Group – Cost \$12.00 each. Time: 4:45 pm