



The Canaanite Woman

The theme of the First Reading and the Gospel is that of inclusiveness. At the time Isaiah was writing there were lots of foreigners in Israel. The question arose as to whether or not the benefits of salvation should be extended to them. Isaiah gave a clear and positive answer: "My house shall be a house of prayer for all the peoples," says the Lord.'

The early Church faced a similar problem with regard to the Gentiles. Matthew sees Jesus as having broken down all the barrier between Jew and Gentile. Even though his own mission was restricted to Israel, Jesus did reach out to individual Gentiles such as the Canaanite woman. Hence, after the resurrection of Jesus, the early Church extended its mission to the Gentiles.

Liturgical celebrations:

Thursday – Saint Bernard (memorial)

St. Bernard was born near Dijon, France, in 1090. In his Apologia, he wrote that it was because his unruly nature that he chose the newly founded Cistercians, thinking their austerity could tame him. At 22, Bernard went to Citeaux, an abbey known for its strict observance of St. Benedict's Rule. His remarkable enthusiasm helped persuade his uncle, his brothers and many friends to join him. A group of about 30 men left for the abbey. Within three years, Bernard was sent with 12 monks to a diocese in Champagne where he founded the monastery where he ruled as abbot for the rest of his life. His writings have had a lasting influence on Catholic spirituality and his abbey became the motherhouse for dozens of Cistercian monasteries around the world.

Friday – St. Pius X (memorial)

Giuseppe Sarto was born in Riese, Italy, in 1835. His mother insisted that he will get the education and fulfill his desire to become a priest.. Ordained at 23, he was involved in pastoral ministry for 17 years. In 1884 he became a bishop, then cardinal in 1892 and was elected pope in 1903. He died in 1914. His recommendations and encyclicals reflect his pastoral background: he advocated frequent communion for adults, sacramental preparation for children. He was canonized in 1954.

Saturday – The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary (memorial)

In 1954 Pius XII instituted this memorial "so that all may clearly recognize and more zealously venerate the kind and maternal rule of the Mother of God." It is celebrated on the octave of the Assumption.

This Week

Monday, August 17

7:00pm Mass +Romeo Lorenzo
(No Public Congregation)

Tuesday, August 18

6:00am Meeting Men's Prayer Group (Virtual Meeting)
8:00am Mass Int Marie Johnson
11:30am Wedding
7:00pm Mass +Frank Leahy
(No Public Congregation)

Wednesday, August 19

8:00am Mass +Feldia Reyes
7:00pm Mass +Conchita Domingo
(No Public Congregation)

Thursday, August 20

8:00am Mass Int Larry Madara
10:00am Funeral +Fr. Larry Mackey, OMI
7:00pm Mass +Fr. Larry Makey, OMI
(No Public Congregation)

Friday, August 21

8:00am Mass +Terry Fawcett
3:00pm Wedding
7:00pm Mass +Frank Leahy
(No Public Congregation)

Saturday, August 22

8:00am Mass +John Zadra
(No Public Congregation)
1:00pm Wedding
3:00pm Wedding
5:00pm Mass +Karol Campa
7:00pm Mass

Sunday, August 23

9:00am Mass +Martin Lee Son
11:00am Mass +Mitchell Slater
2:00pm Baptism
5:00pm Mass

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VOCATIONS CAFÉ

An old Cherokee was teaching his grandson about life. "There is a fight going on inside every person," he said to the boy. "It is a fight between two wolves. One is evil – he is anger, envy, sorrow, regret, greed, arrogance, selfishness, guilt, resentment, inferiority, lies, false pride, superiority, and ego. The other is good he is joy, peace, love, hope, serenity, humility, kindness, benevolence, empathy, generosity, truth, compassion, and faith."

The grandson thought about it for a minute and then asked his grandfather, "Which wolf will win?" The old Cherokee simply replied, "The one you feed."

One way of "feeding the wolf" inside of us is by having conversations with others. You probably can recall this chat with your friend(s) that altered the way you understood something, maybe your eyes were opened by another, it may even have changed your life for ever. In having heart, mind and spirit conversations provides an opportunity to get to know each other, to shine the light on certain positive life values where we can create a habitual culture around it. And more you talk about it, reflect and ponder on it, it then becomes a habitual positive part of your life.

Many great conversations happen over a cup of coffee. So, let's talk vocations! In the spirit of creating and cultivating the culture of vocation, we invite you to a virtual "Vocations Café". It's not a webinar or an online lecture... Vocations Café is a conversation! We will invite people from different walks of life: religious brothers and sisters, priests, married couples or persons embracing single life. Remember a Vocation is our answer to God's call and we all have a Vocation. It's where we find our purpose and meaning in life.

Vocations Café is not a scheduled event. It happens when someone says "Let's have a cup of coffee". Sign up at:

<https://www.facebook.com/331402890346928/videos/292631365314696>

I will be having conversations with Sisters Poor of Jesus Christ, who serve the poor and marginalized in the innercity of Hamilton, ON. Let's pray for and encourage Vocations to the religious life and priesthood.

Fr. Jarek Pachocki OMI

Vocation Director

Did You Know...**The Story of the Queenship of Mary**

Pope Pius XII established this feast in 1954. But Mary's queenship has roots in Scripture. At the Annunciation, Gabriel announced that Mary's Son would receive the throne of David and rule forever. At the Visitation, Elizabeth calls Mary "mother of my Lord." As in all the mysteries of Mary's life, she is closely associated with Jesus: Her queenship is a share in Jesus' kingship. We can also recall that in the Old Testament the

mother of the king has great influence in court.

In the fourth century Saint Ephrem called Mary "Lady" and "Queen." Later Church fathers and doctors continued to use the title. Hymns of the 11th to 13th centuries address Mary as queen: "Hail, Holy Queen," "Hail, Queen of Heaven," "Queen of Heaven." The Dominican rosary and the Franciscan crown as well as numerous invocations in Mary's litany celebrate her queenship.

The feast is a logical followup to the Assumption, and is now celebrated on the octave day of that feast. In his 1954 encyclical To the Queen of Heaven, Pius XII points out that Mary deserves the title because she is Mother of God, because she is closely associated as the New Eve with Jesus' redemptive work, because of her preeminent perfection, and because of her intercessory power.

Pope's Prayer Intention for August**Universal: The Maritime World**

We pray for all those who work and live from the sea, among them sailors, fishermen and their families.

WELCOME TO ST. AUGUSTINE'S PARISH

St. Augustine's Oblate Parish is a Catholic community centered in Christ and the Eucharist that has a shared mission to welcome and invite all to participate celebrate in Word and Sacrament foster evangelization and spiritual formation advocate for social justice care for our common home.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)



Welcomes people who feel drawn to Christ. People from no particular background, Christians from Protestant denominations, and men and women from other religions. Baptized, Catholic adults who were never confirmed and who want to be received into full communion with the Church may do so through the RCIA.

RCIA runs from mid-September through May to Pentecost. RCIA meets Wednesday evenings. If you are interested in the Catholic faith or know someone who is, please contact Linda Arnold:

604 736-4455 Ext 229 or rcia@staugustineschurch.ca to register.



Join St. Augustine's Adult Faith Group to learn more about the mystery of the Eucharist and grow in fellowship with one another. We will be watching and discussing the video series called PRESENCE by the Augustine Institute. In this 6-session study we will explore the Truth and

Beauty of Christ's Real Presence in the Eucharist, from its origins in Sacred Scripture, to its profound role in the life of the Church and her members. It is the crescendo of the entire story of salvation.

We invite you to join us virtually (via ZOOM*) on Tuesday evenings 7:30-9:00 PM starting August 18th. There is no cost, but registration is required email biblestudies@staugustineschurch.ca for more info or to register.

*No prior zoom experience needed.



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Into the Breach

Don't miss this ground breaking series from the Knights of Columbus that seeks to answer what it means to be a Catholic man in today's world.

GIVEN Forum Talks

Join Dr. Ruber as she discusses her career to live as a Catholic woman in the medical field, fulfilling her vocation as a physician to care for the human person.

If you are a parent with children at home, there are many original resources available.

SPIRITUAL CONVERSATION

This time of lock down and uncertainty may well be a stimulus to seek God in a new way or share with him what thoughts and feelings are around. Frances Cheung is a parishioner of St. Augustine's

Church and has been trained in the tradition of Ignatian spirituality. She would like to offer the opportunity to have a spiritual conversation. If you are interested, please email Frances at atf-cheung@hotmail.com. Conversations can take place via Skype or Teams; whichever works best for you.

As of June 6th 2020 there is an additional

Saturday evening Anticipated Mass at 7:00pm.

Beginning Tuesday June 9th, there are four week day Masses:

Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday/Friday mornings at 8:00am.

All sign up and regulation procedures will be observed as per the Saturday/Sunday weekend Masses.

Notice

St. Augustine's **11:00am Sunday Mass is livestreamed** each Sunday.

If privacy is a concern for you or your family, please arrange to attend an alternative weekend Mass.

Volunteers Urgently Needed



If you sign up to attend a weekend or weekday Mass, please consider adding your name to our list of Church volunteers.

The number of Masses we celebrate is incumbent upon the number of volunteers we can recruit to assist in Registration and Sanitization before and after each Mass.

Many of our current volunteers will not be available during July and August.

To Volunteer to assist at a Mass please see the website or contact

Ferial Khan: 604 736-4455 Ext 224

Weekly Sunday Donations

Weekly offering envelopes may be dropped off at the Parish Office during regular office hours. If you wish, you can make your Sunday and Special donations using Mastercard, Visa or Preauthorized Debit. Please complete the authorization form which can be picked up at the Parish Office or complete online at www.staugustineschurch.ca

The amount you authorize will be processed on the 20th of each month.

Thank you for your generous financial support.

Prayer for Vocations

The Vocations Ministry of St. Augustine's parish invites you to join them on Wednesday after 8:00AM Mass to pray for our Priests and those in Consecrated life. We pray particularly for Vocations to the Oblate community. These leaders of our Church need our prayers and support. We sincerely hope you can join us.

Contact: Ben Hume email: bhume03@gmail.com
<<mailto:bhume03@gmail.com>> "

Please note...

Throughout the past few weeks, St. Augustine's Church has remained open during regular office hours for private prayer and meditation. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available for those who request it. Please call the Parish Front Office to make an appointment should you wish to meet with Fr. Andrzej regarding the Sacrament of Reconciliation.



