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From the Pastors' Desk Let Go: Forgive

Every one of us has been hurt deeply by someone else. It may have been a parent, an ex-spouse, a current mate, a sibling, a former

friend, a relative, or perhaps a stranger. It may be a hurt that came from some violent or reckless act.

It may have been something that somebody should have done but didn't. It may be something that took place over many years. It may be something that happened in a moment. Even as you read these words there may be a situation or person that immediately pops into your mind and begins to make your stomach churn. In fact, the danger you face here is that this issue will remind you of a pain that distracts you from the clear teaching of the Bible. The command to forgive is most difficult because sometimes we don't want to forgive. We want to strike back. We want justice. We want the other person to know the pain they inflicted. And if we can't have justice we vow that we will never have a relationship with that person again. We avoid them and ignore them. It is not surprising then that when we talk about forgiveness we are more interested in finding loopholes than we are in obeying.

Mark 11:25 "And when you stand praying, if you hold anything against anyone, forgive him, so that your Father in heaven may forgive you your sins." Why does God make such an issue of forgiveness? I think we can answer that question several different ways. Forgiveness reflects God's character. When we forgive we reflect the Father's love. The standard is this: forgive AS He has forgiven you. Forgiveness gives us the opportunity to extend to others what God has extended to us.

The alternative to forgiveness is bitterness and resentment. People who refuse to forgive, hurt themselves. Bitter people are no fun to be around. They can't sleep. Ulcers line their stomach. Their blood pressure rises. They see the negative in every situation because their life is polluted with these feelings of resentment and anger. People who are unwilling to forgive may feel that they are punishing the other person but the only person paying the price is themselves. An unforgiving heart binds the Holy Spirit's ability to work. It becomes a barrier to effective and fruitful ministry. An unwillingness to forgive disrupts our fellowship with God. It steals from us the joy of knowing His forgiveness in our lives. Are you having trouble praying with power? Could it be that there is someone you need to forgive? *God Bless: Fr. Roshan Loy D'Souza, CSC*



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The Week Ahead:

May 26: The Most Holy Trinity

May 27: St. Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop

May 29: St. Paul VI, Pope

May 31: Visitation of Blessed Virgin Mary

Jun 01: St. Justin, Martyr

Jun 02: The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Archdiocese of Toronto



Our 9th Annual Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) Procession: Sunday June 2nd after 12 noon Mass, followed by Benediction. "Processions teach the heart to follow unswervingly." This is our witness to Christ Jesus Our King. You are invited to join us. Wear white bring your

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THE MOST HOLY TRINITY: MAY 26, 2024



POPE FRANCIS PRAYER INTENTION FOR MAY 2024: For the Formation of Religious & Seminarians:

We pray that religious women & men & seminarians, grow in their own vocations through their human, pastoral, spiritual & community formation, leading them to be credible witnesses to the Gospel.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD: IS a liturgical celebra-

tion. The Gospel is proclaimed in terms appropriate for young children. The Gospel is discussed and broken open so that the children have a better understanding of the message. A profession of faith is proclaimed and prayer intentions offered before the children re-join their parents. It is Liturgy of the Word, so it is ritual, centered on the proclamation and breaking open of the scriptures. and breaking open of the scriptures. The children do what the rest of the community is doing at this point of the Mass. They listen to the scriptures proclaimed and applied to contemporary life and respond in various ways.





Father's Day BBQ

June 16, 2024 \$10.00/Ticket Tickets will be sold before & after the Weekend Masses



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:

Sacrament of Reconciliation/ First Confession: On June 01, 2024, at 10:00 a.m.

Celebration of First Holy Communion:

On June 8, 2024 10:00am.





WEEKEND COLLECTION:

May 18-19, 2024: \$ 842.70

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ment and to our benefactors for your continued support. Kindly contribute through Pre Authorized Giving. Forms are available in the foyer. A Big thanks to Knights of Columbus, Council 9079.



† MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, May 26:

10:00 am: Healing Intentions for Elnora Pascua

Req. Larry Gagnon

† Eduardo Del Rosario

Reg. Nimpha Del Rosario

† Maria Comacchio

Reg. Claudia Lucas Jacinto

Monday, May 27: NO MASS

Tuesday, May 28:

9:00 am : **† Emilio Manzanero**

Reg. Montifar Family

Wednesday, May 29:

7:00 pm: † Edric Luke Tumaneng

Req. Family

Thursday, May 30:

9:00 pm: † Carmen Manzanero

Req. Montifar Family

Friday, May 31:

7:00 pm: For the Special intensions of

Tony Muise

Req. Marilyn Roberts

Saturday, June 01:

5:00 pm: For the Intentions of St. Joseph

Parish Community

Thanksgiving Intentions

Req. Krisbelle Bufete



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