Growing in Conjugal Love

After the love that unites us to God, conjugal love is the "greatest form of friendship". It is a union possessing all the traits of a good friendship: concern for the good of the other, reciprocity, intimacy, warmth, stability and the resemblance born of a shared life. Marriage joins to all this an indissoluble exclusivity expressed in the stable commitment to share and shape together the whole of life.

Lest us be honest and acknowledge the signs that this is the case. Lovers do not see their relationship as merely temporary. Those who marry do not expect their excitement to fade. Those who witness the celebration of a loving union, however fragile, trust that it will pass the test of time.

Children not only want their parents to love one another, but also to be faithful and remain together. These and similar signs show that it is in the very nature of conjugal love to be definitive. The lasting union expressed by the marriage vows is more than a formality or a traditional formula; it is rooted in the natural inclinations of the human person. For believers, it is also a covenant before God that calls for fidelity" "The Lord was witness to the covenant between you and the wife of your youth, to whom you have been faithless, though she is your companion and your wife by covenant... Let none be faithless to the wife of his youth. For I hate divorce, says the Lord". (Mal. 2:14-16)

True love enables us to surrender our future entirely to the one we love.

In marriage, the joy of love needs to be cultivated. Marital joy can be experienced even amid sorrow.

Your marriage has the power not only to announce that you love each other but also that God can be "seen" in your love.

Pope Francis: AMORIS LAETTITIA (123)

POPE FRANCIS

Despite knee problems, Pope Francis will be in Canada from July 24 to July 29. His visit will start in Edmonton, stop in Quebec City and Saint Anne-de-Beaupré and conclude in Iqaluit, Nunavut, before returning to Rome.

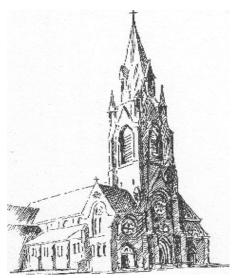
Pope Francis comes in a "spirit of reconciliation" and is expected to apologize for the Roma Catholic Church's role in residential schools.

In late March, Pope Francis met with the Métis and Inuit delegations and the First Nations delegation. At the time, he offered an initial apology for the "deplorable conduct" of some individual Roman Catholic Church members in Canada's residential schools from the late 19th century.

We pray for the health of Pope Francis, who is 85 years old, "and also that his pastoral visit to Canada will bring reconciliation and hope to all those who will accompany our shepherd on this historic journey".

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8:30 am Portuguese 10:00 am Portuguese 11:30 am English 1:00 pm English

Weekday Masses

Monday—Friday 9:00 am Portuguese 6:00 pm English 5:00 pm English 6:30 pm Portuguese

Parish Council

Legion Of Mary

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament First Friday of Every Month at 5:00 p.m.

English Choir

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Baptism—Sundays

Baptisms will be booked by appointment only

Marriages

Please contact the priest 12 months in advance

Confessions

Most days before Mass, except on Sunday

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 St. Mary Elementary
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XIV Sunday in Ordinary Time July 3, 2022

The First Reading is part of a poem written after the return from the Babylonian exile. It paints a glowing picture of the blessings God will bestow on Jerusalem and its inhabitants.

It likens Jerusalem to a mother who lovingly nurses her children. It foreshadows the blessings that will result from the coming of the Kingdom of God with Jesus (Gospel).

Psalm: Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth!

While all the synoptic Gospels record a sending out of the Twelve, only Luke records the sending out of Seventy-two disciples.

This second sending out is explained by the size of the harvest, and the fact that time is short, and Jesus can't do it all by himself.

It also foreshadows the preaching of the Gospel to the whole world, a favorite theme of Luke.

The mission of the disciples was an extension of Jesus' own mission.

In understanding his instructions to them, we must remember that this was only a temporary mission, of short duration and limited to the surrounding Jewish towns and villages.

Catechism Teachers

The registration for catechism classes will be done in the coming month of September.

If you would like to be a catechism teacher, for First Communion or Confirmation, please speak to one of the priests, or contact the parish office.

God Created Earth and Heaven

God created earth and heaven,
God commanded light to be,
Separated light from darkness
Set the bounds for land and sea.
While God's Spirit on the waters,
In his love did gently brood,
Life on earth began to quicken
And God saw that it was good.

In the vastness of the heavens,
God set fiery stars so bright,
Suns with their own circling planets
Moons aglow with borrowed light.
Marking out each passing season,
God let summer's glory fade,
Autumn turn to winter darkness,
Spring renew all God had made.

Make Me A Channel of Your Peace

Make me a channel of your peace Where there is hatred let me bring your love Where there is injury, your pardon Lord And where there's doubt, true faith in you.

Make me a channel of your peace Where there's despair in life let me bring hope Where there is darkness, only light And where there's sadness ever joy.

Oh, master grant that I may never seek So much to be consoled as to console To be understood as to understand To be loved as to love with all my soul

Make me a channel of your peace
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned
In giving to each one that we receive
And in dying that we're born to eternal life.

Alleluia, Sing to Jesus

Alleluia! sing to Jesus,
His the scepter, His the throne;
Alleluia! His the triumph,
His the victory alone.
Hark, the songs of His redeemed ones
Thunder like a mighty flood:
Jesus out of every nation
Hath redeemed us by His blood.

Alleluia! not as orphans
Are we left in sorrow now;
Alleluia! He is near us,
Faith believes, nor questions how.
Though the clouds from sight received Him
When the forty days were o'er,
Shall our hearts forget His promise,
"I am with you evermore"?

Alleluia! Bread of heaven,
Thou on earth our food, our stay;
Hallelujah! here the sinful
Flee to Thee from day to day.
Intercessor, friend of sinners,
Earth's Redeemer, plead for me,
Where the songs of all the sinless
Sweep across the crystal sea.

Glory and Praise to our God

Glory and praise to our God Who alone gives light to our days Many are the blessings He bears To those who trust in His ways.

We the daughters and sons of Him Who built the valleys and plains Praise the wonders our God has done In every heart that sings.

Mass Intentions for this Week

Saturday, July 2nd

5:00 pm. Benjamim Resendes Medeiros — Pedro Fructuoso

6:30 pm. Intentions of António Resendes — Maria dos Anjos Cordeiro— Jordão & Danny de Andrade —João Carlos Nascimento & Francisco Ferreira

Sunday, July 3rd

8:30 am. Nelissa da Mota

10:00 am. Community—José Luis & Maria Teresa Branco—Judy da Silva—Maria dos Anjos Medeiros Farias & José Farias—Intention of Abel Ferreira

11:30 am. Alexander Mitchell

1:00 pm.

Monday, July 4th

9:00 am. Mario Gomes Ferreira, family intentions for the youth

6:00 pm. Intentions of Fátima Medeiros, souls in purgatory

Tuesday, July 5th

9:00 am. António Filipe, spouse & children

6:00 pm. Souls in purgatory

Wednesday, July 6th

9:00 am. Intentions of Luisa, Martinho Rodrigues & children6:00 pm. José Manuel Oliveira Correia, souls in purgatory

- 100th anniversary of Maria da Conceição Ferreira

Thursday, July 7th

9:00 am. Maria Póvoa

6:00 pm. Deodato e Leontina Medeiros

Friday, July 8th

9:00 am. Luciano & Rosa Borges, parents & siblings

6:00 pm. Ermelinda Arruda

Saturday, July 9th

5:00 pm. Souls in purgatory

6:30 pm. João Manuel Pereira de Estrela—Joaquim, Maria, João & Francisco Correia