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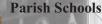
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10am: Mary Courtemanche

Req: Ann Woolnough

Tuesday May 5th

10am: **Maria Gaspar** Req: Louis Gaspar

Wednesday May 6th

10am: **Joe Shak** Req: Rose

Thursday May 7th

10am: **Joe Shak** Req: Mary

Please know that Fr. Roy will continue to pray for these intentions

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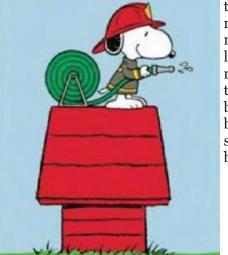
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Ruminations

As for Spring weather, I think we have been getting ripped off. Over the last six weeks since its arrival, it has been rather dismal and uninviting. Instead of warm sunshine and bright days, there has been overcast skies and windy, chilly and wholly uninviting. On those rare days of glorious warmth and sunshine it is wonderful to have the luxury of time to get out into the gardens and lawns and immerse oneself in the outside world. This luxury of time has afforded me the opportunity to get to some of those nagging projects that make their way on to a list of things to get to, but never really make it to the top of the list. Well, of late, some of those negligent bottom dwellers have made their way to the top of the list and I can proudly say they are now checked off. One of those despairingly onerous projects was dealing with the privet hedge on the hill by the fence on the south side of the property. I had always been rather neutral on privet hedges, they look good in British gardens, but other than that, they were never part of my sphere. Now I can say quite categorically I hate them. It took hours and hours to trim them up and even then they look like scrub bush. I wouldn't wish them on my enemy (well there is a couple of Habs fans that I would gladly offer them to) and after trimming branches that were growing any which way but up, I think I have come to the decision that the best thing for my own sanity is to uproot them and replace them. I'm thinking cedars. The bright side of things was that it gave me an opportunity to be out in the glorious sunshine, and I have my first sunburn of the season to prove it, but the thought of trying to stuff the tangle of branches in a number of lawn bags was unappealing. Someone suggested that I burn them in the fire pit and that sounded great. I could sit around the fire, put my feet up and feeding the bramble into it until there was nothing left. Sounded wonderful so I started to light the fire in the fire pit. Now I confess out publicly that I was never a boy scout and the only camping I enjoy is at the Holiday Inn Express in Huntsville where they have a free breakfast (who's kidding who it's not free, it built into the exorbitant pricing of the room). To get a fire going from kindling and sticks and paper is a daunting task. As I finally got is underway, and inserted the first twigs and branches, a gust of wind circulated the flames and out flew some embers. Nothing serious, but I gave me pause to think that maybe bagging them after all wasn't such a bad idea. I do love the smell of burning wood though. As I quickly shut the door on the fire pit I noticed smoke wafting from behind me. It took a few seconds before I noticed it was me, I was smouldering, at least my shirt was, and although I wasn't



really on fire, my two favorite shirts that I was wearing were melting on my shoulder, not burning, but melting. That was when I decided to let the fire die out and bag the rest. I remembered the doctor saying I was too hot, and thought it could have been some spontaneous combustion, but no, as Smoky the Bear always said, don't play with fire, you may get burnt, or melted. Stay safe.

Fr. Roy

Announcements and Events...

Many people have been seeking ways to continue to support our Parish during these times of upheaval and confusion. If you would like to contribute, there are instructions contained in the bulletin of April 19, 2020 which can be found in the Bulletin Archives on the Parish website.

We are Live Streaming

Monday to Thursday Mass will be livestreamed at 10am. Sunday Mass will also be livestreamed at 10am until further notice.

All Masses and Celebrations will be live streamed through Facebook Video and if you are not on Facebook, go to the Parish Website for a link to the live streaming. ON the front page there is a link that says "Click here". Click there and it will take you to the Facebook livestream even if you are not a Facebook subscriber.

As the Pope says, "This is not who we are!"

As convenient and efficient as the present manifestation of our parish celebrations may seem, there is something fundamentally missing—the sacred assembly. The genius of Dr. Seuss has much to teach us. For all the Whos in Whoville, the culmination of their celebration of Christmas, the time when they manifested the reality most thoroughly was when they assembled outside, joining hands to sing their haunting Christmas song. That was the moment they were who they were supposed to be. The same holds true for us—the most important, irreplaceable expression of being the Body of Christ is indeed when we assemble each week to manifest the Eucharist we celebrate. As much as circumstances dictate a different reality, and as much as we are fortunate with our modern media and its capacity to be connected even remotely, it carries with it a dangerous, alluring idea that it is an okay practice. It is not. It is wholly inadequate to expression the mystery of being the Body of Christ. So with great longing that we pray for the day when we will join our voices together in one place, called to be the Church—the great Assembly of God, once again.

Sacramental Corner......

May dedicated to Mary

Though May has many references to special devotions to Mary, what we come to understand is rather recent by comparison finding its universal expression only in the last couple of centuries. May was a time for the Crowning of Mary as a popular way to celebrate popular devotion. It was not a time of the rosary, that was celebrated in October, and June was a month dedicated to Jesus for devotional expressions. Part of the tradition would be rooted in the Church's commemoration of the Coronation of Mary which used to be celebrated on May 31, but which subsequently is now celebrated on August 22. There is always a bit of tension between the Public life of the Church and the popular devotion of the People of God. By and large the entire month of May generally falls within the Easter Season, and since Easter is the highest point of the Church calendar there should be no room in the Easter liturgy for hymns to Mary and the like. That doesn't usually sit well especially around Mothers' Day. That is one reason that most of the festivities were outside the Easter liturgies. Unlike Christmas whose Octave ends with viewing Christmas through a Marian lens, Easter has no such provision. What does that mean for us then. It does not hinder our devotions, nor does it dampen our enthusiasm. All it means is that we find the right place and the right time to ask Mary to pray for us, and we remember to give Easter its due in the Public life of the Church. Holy Mary, pray for us.

Let us pray for the sick...

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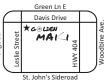
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