

Peter cried out,
"Lord, save me!"
(Mt. 14: 31)

August 9, 2020 19th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mon., Aug. 10 th	No Mass on Monday
Tues., Aug. 11 th 9:00 am	Weekday Mass (<i>St. Clare of Assisi</i>)
Wed., Aug. 12 th 9:00 am	Weekday Mass
Thurs., Aug. 13 th 9:00 am	Weekday Mass
Fri., Aug. 14 th 9:00 am	Weekday Mass (<i>St. Maximilian Kolbe</i>)
Sat., Aug. 15 th 5:00 pm	Mass of the Lord's Day (<i>Assumption of Mary</i>)
Sun., Aug. 16 th	Masses of the Lord's Day at 8:30 am & 10:30 am

**PLEASE NOTE
Our Church Seating Re-Configuration**

Several parishioners expressed concerns about perceived inconsistencies in the Cathedral's two meter seating distance regulation required for public spaces. As a result, our COVID-19 Safety Team has re-configured all the seating spaces in the Church and placed a ribbon across the entrances to every other pew so that these alternate pews will not be occupied during Mass. This should provide enough space between persons as required by the distancing regulations and further ensure the safety of all our parishioners.



Bishop Colli's
Schedule
August 22/23
Masses at the
Cathedral

**Masks are
available in the
Sacristy**

If you do not have a mask or face covering or a have forgotten to bring one, please proceed to the Sacristy and you will be provided with one to wear.

Many thanks to:
Linda West
Deacon Derek West
Erick Villanueva
Mark Sypus
and Fr. Marco Ladao
for working together to
re-configure the seating in
preparation for this
weekend's Masses.

**Where are They
Now?**

To access the full list of priests who are currently serving in different Parishes and areas in our Diocese and beyond, click on: "Bulletins/Schedules/Forms" on our Parish Website.



IF YOU WISH TO BECOME A CATHOLIC IN 2021

Through the RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (R.C.I.A.) formation process, adults embark on a journey of Faith towards Baptism and/or full membership in the Catholic Church. R.C.I.A. is for: non baptized adults; those who have been baptized in another Christian denomination, and; baptized adult Catholics who have not been Confirmed. To register, call the Parish Office (622-5389) or print and complete the Form accessed in: "Bulletins/Schedules/Forms", at: www.stpatrickscathedral.ca

LAST WEEKEND'S OFFERTORY COLLECTION & DONATIONS

Last Sunday's Collection	\$ 5, 357.80
Online Donations (<i>week of July 26 - Aug. 2</i>)	520.00
Monthly Renovations Collection	845.00
Donations for Sacraments	70.00
Votive Candles	107.00
St. Anthony's Poor Donations	20.00



YOU WERE ASKING . . . by Msgr. P. Stilla

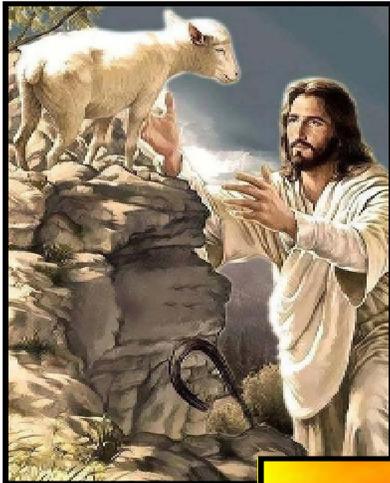
Q. I have two questions regarding Catholic Funerals.

1. Does the Catholic Church permit a Funeral Mass in Church or a Service in a Funeral Chapel for a non Catholic person?

2. Are Catholic Funeral Masses/Services or Graveside Prayer Services permitted for one who has committed suicide?

A. These are two questions which are asked by many today.

1. Funerals for Other Christians Catholics should know that Funerals in the Catholic Church are not solely celebrated for deceased



Catholics. For example, in marriages of mixed Faiths, the bereaved Catholic party may wish to have a Funeral Mass or Catholic Service for his/her non-Catholic wife or husband. In this situation, he/she would have the right to request either one. The denomination of the deceased would have no bearing.

Not Always the Best Choice
Although Catholic Funerals are possible options for those of other Faiths, they may not be the best choices in some cases. For instance, if the deceased person had been a life long, practising member of another Faith, he/she may have preferred to have the funeral celebrated in his/her Church with their Minister officiating. In this case, the deceased person's expressed or presumed wishes should be respected. If the Catholic priest is also invited by the family to take part in the non-Catholic Service, he will.

Other Bereaved Family Members
When choosing a Catholic Funeral

Mass/Service for the deceased of other Faiths, one should also consider the feelings and comfort level of the other bereaved family members who are not part of our Faith and who might find a Catholic Funeral confusing to them.

#2. Funerals and Mercy
The simple answer to your second question is, yes! Of course, senior Catholics will remember a time when those who committed suicide were not allowed a Catholic Funeral nor were their families permitted to bury them



within the walls of a Catholic Cemetery. While there is no doubt that the Church had good reasons at that time to enact and follow these guidelines, our pastoral practice today is to err on the side of mercy and compassion in these cases, and not on the side of punishment. Clearly, this new pastoral approach does not mean that the Church now condones suicide or euthanasia. Instead, it represents our response to Jesus' mandate to us to be: "merciful as your Heavenly Father is merciful" (Luke 6:36). After all, the judgement or condemnation of people's actions is up to God and not up to us!



Catholic Women's League

**Online Speaker Series:
August 10-14, 2020**

This League sponsored series will focus on "Care for Our Common Home", "Women in the Church", and "The League of the Future". Registration is required. To register, please visit the National League website at: cwl.ca

**Prayer Group Garden
Completely Rejuvenated**



We express our special thanks to Rita LeGarde, Giovanni Balan and Erick Villanueva for their many donated hours of work to clean, and rejuvenate our Prayer Group "Reflection Garden" in order to restore it to its original beauty and simplicity. Granite Tiles Installed
We also thank our Church caretaker, Mark Sypus, who recently installed several granite tiles (*recovered from the Cathedral's old front steps*), under the bench in one part of this Reflection Prayer Garden. These were the last of the granite slabs that were recovered from the demolished old steps.

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This special Garden was first imagined and developed for "prayer and reflection" by Alice Ward and her Christian Meditation Prayer Group years ago.