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### MASS INTENTIONS July 30, 2022 to Aug 7, 2022

#### SATURDAY, July 30, 2022

5:00 p.m. MASS in Morden- Thanksgiving for blessings received by Paulini & Alice – req. Tuikuka Family

#### SUNDAY, July 31, 2022 - 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

11:00 a.m. MASS in Morden - the eternal repose of the soul of Gloria Bobiles

7:00 p.m. MASS in Morden - for the intentions of all parishioners

MONDAY, Aug 1, 2022 NO MASS

#### TUESDAY, Aug 2, 2022 -

7:00 p.m. Mass in Morden - The eternal repose of Laura Ninfa – req. Espinal Family

#### WEDNESDAY, Aug 3, 2022

7:00 p.m. MASS in Morden - for Spiritual Protection and guidance for Gregory on his birthday req. Maggie Wall

#### THURSDAY, Aug 4, 2022

7:00 p.m. MASS in Morden- the intentions of all parishioners

#### FRIDAY, Aug 5, 2022

10:00 am Mass in Morden- the intentions of all parishioners

#### SATURDAY, Aug 6, 2022

5:00 p.m. MASS in Morden- the intentions of all parishioners

#### SUNDAY, Aug 7, 2022 - 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

11:00 a.m. MASS in Morden- for the intentions of all parishioners

7:00 p.m. MASS in Morden- for the intentions of all parishioners

### **Father Ramon** **The Shepherds walking stick**

#### **PARISH UPDATE 07/31/2022 -**

As of writing, I am still on a holiday, but I cannot let this weekend pass without expressing gratitude to everyone who participated in the Parish Family Day. It indeed was a lot of fun. We thank God for favouring us with a perfect weather for the celebration which also coincided with the World Day for Grandparents & Elderly. For everyone who were not able to attend, do check the parish Facebook group for pictures and videos of the event..... Our heartfelt thanks to all those who helped in the planning, preparation and clean-up for the Family Day - the Parish Commission on Worship, the CWL, the Couples for Christ. Thanks also to the K of C for letting us use their supplies of disposable plates and utensils. Our greatest admiration and appreciation for the Youth for Christ in facilitating the program and the games! God bless all of you..... Due to the holiday which I am enjoying a lot, I was not able to follow the pope's visit. Though I was able to read transcripts of his messages at Maskwacis and at Sacred Heart Church in Edmonton. They are so beautiful! I hope I can make some personal observations next time. For now, I want to end with a quote from his address at Sacred Heart: "The indigenous peoples attribute a powerful cosmic significance to the cardinal points, seen not only as geographical reference points but also as dimensions that embrace all reality and indicate the way to heal it, as embodied by the so-called 'medicine wheel'. This Church appropriates that symbolism of the cardinal points and gives it a Christological meaning. Jesus, through the four extremities of his cross, has embraced the four cardinal points and has brought together the most distant peoples; Jesus has brought healing and peace to all things (cf. Eph 2:14). On the cross, he accomplished God's plan: 'to reconcile all things' (cf. Col 1:20)."

## RECONCILIATION: Presently only available Saturday and Sunday

### *Prayer Intention for July, 2022*

For the Elderly – We pray for the elderly, who represent the roots and memory of a people; may their experience and wisdom help young people to look towards the future with hope and responsibility.

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"If you believe what you like in the gospel, and reject what you don't like, it is not the gospel you believe but yourself."

-St Augustine

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"God freely created us so that we might know, love, and serve him in this life and be happy with him forever. God's purpose in creating us is to draw forth from us a response of love and service here on earth, so that we may attain our goal of everlasting happiness with him in heaven.

All the things in this world are gifts of God, created for us, to be the means by which we can come to know him better, love him more surely, and serve him more faithfully.

As a result, we ought to appreciate and use these gifts of God insofar as they help us toward our goal of loving service and union with God. But insofar as any created things hinder our progress toward our goal, we ought to let them go."

— St. Ignatius of Loyola

### *18<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time*

In this Sunday's readings, we are challenged to grasp our worth before God. God doesn't count our possessions but looks at us with eyes of affection that's worth quite more than anything we possess. Human vanity may make us feel that possessing things makes us more valuable. These items we own are only temporary and must be put in perspective. God values us even after we don't have anything.

Psalm 90:12-13 reminds us that we must gain the wisdom of the heart. God constantly wants us to know that our value to God is in that God created us. This creation of God must be open to God's voice which is calling us out of ourselves to see ourselves as God sees us. It is often said, that in God's sight, "everybody is somebody."

The human desire for material things can often take our sights off of what God has in store for us. I have known many people with possessions who would say that even when they were struggling it seemed that they were happier. The happiness that can be bought is only temporary.

In this Gospel, Jesus offers us hope. When we prioritize the things that we have and focus on our life with Christ, we will find happiness. We must never begin to think that because we have many things, we can then just sit back and relax. We must look at how we use the things that we have and ask ourselves if there is more to life than being satisfied with oneself. Can we help to bring happiness to others with the things that we have?

**Please Pray for the Sick of Our Parish....**

**Joaquin Mota**

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