

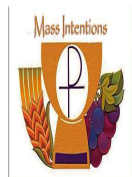


August 1, 2021

<b>SUNDAY READINGS</b>
First Reading: Exodus 16: 2~4
Psalm 78: The Lord gave them the bread of heaven.
Second Reading: Ephesians 4: 17, 20~24
Gospel: John 6: 24~35

**The provincial mandate for masks indoors will remain in place until at least September.**

**THIS WEEKEND**



**Saturday 31<sup>st</sup>**  
**4 pm + Concepcion Uvilla**  
**Sunday Aug. 1<sup>st</sup>**  
**9 am \* Thanksgiving**  
**11 am Pro Populo**

**TODAY'S GOSPEL**

People come to faith, to the Church, to God – hungry. We come because we are missing something, and God gives us something that satisfies our deepest longing. But it is interesting that in both the first reading and the gospel, the people come complaining and asking questions.

Sometimes those most in need of God seem to be the most difficult and relentless with their hunger, and maybe also with resistance to what God offers. As people who follow Jesus, it is worth asking

ourselves two questions: first, are we hungry for God and allow Him to feed us with what we need? And second, are there times when those who complain and criticize us are hoping to receive something from God via their interactions with us?

**ARCHDIOCESE**  
**COVID~19 ~ UPDATE**

As you are aware, we are presently in Step 3 of the provincial “Roadmap for Reopening”. The number of new COVID-19 cases has reduced significantly over the past month and almost 70% of adults in Ontario are fully vaccinated. While we are not in a position, at present, to welcome the faithful at full capacity and to lift all restrictions, we are moving much closer to that reality.

**Ongoing Measures**

- Regarding spiritual services and activities held on church property, physical distancing of two metres (six feet) remains at this time unless members are from the same household.
- By-laws remain in place requiring the use of a face mask in public spaces indoors.
- Holy Water fonts at church entrances should not be filled at this time.
- Communion procedures are unchanged Both the person distributing communion and the communicant must be fully masked. We anticipate a return to communion on the tongue shortly but at present, we ask that communion continue to be received in the hand.
- **NEW** - Cleaning procedures for pews, washrooms, confessionals, reconciliation rooms are relaxed so as

to require only regular cleaning in accordance with routines prior to Covid-19 restrictions. The only exception is where someone attending church has a suspected case or tested positive for Covid-19, in which case the space should be disinfected as per pandemic related protocols.

- Outdoor social gatherings and public events (non-religious services) are permitted with a maximum of 100 people.

We will continue to keep you updated and pray that additional restrictions will be lifted shortly.

**PARISH**  
**HANS IS ON THE RUN!**

At the time this bulletin was being composed, The *Great Hans Maier* is preparing for another 100 km run for the parish. The date is Saturday July 31<sup>st</sup>.

All money raised will go towards completion of the parish hall. Donations will be accepted up to and including August 31, 2021. We have a benefactor who will match our donations up to \$50,000.00!!! To make your donation towards the “Run”, please note on your cheque that it’s for “Hans Maier Run”, or for your cash donation, state that on the envelope. Donations of \$150 + receive a commemorative t shirt.

**UPDATE FROM THE KNIGHTS**  
**Fireworks Update**

The Knights of Columbus would like to offer a big THANK YOU to all who were able to donate their time to selling fireworks. The Council was about to raise over \$8,000

heading into Canada Day. We would not have been able to raise these funds and would not be able to support local needs without your help.

**Knights of Columbus – New Members**

We are seeing some new faces in the parish! If there are any men who would like to volunteer with the Knights of Columbus as a member, please reach out to Kirk Schuller [grandknight@kofcbeaverton.org](mailto:grandknight@kofcbeaverton.org), or speak to him after church one Sunday.

**PARISH BBQ IS COMING SOON**

THANK YOU & FAREWELL ~ We’d like to celebrate, recognize & thank a wonderful hardworking couple who for many years volunteered cleaning our St. Joseph’s Church ~ Blair & Lorna Kelly; also to say farewell to our organist Angela Miller. The KOC will be manning the BBQ along with the Ladies. Save the date ~ **Sunday August 15<sup>th</sup>** after the 11am Mass. All are welcome & donations are gratefully accepted!

**PLEASE PRAY FOR;** all those living in our local nursing homes, manors, in hospital and especially for Bob Bernier, Dr. James Brown, Hugh Charpentier, Harold Clarke, Fern Gosselin, Nick Laviolette, Jim Matt, Olivia, Adrian VanMil & all the sick of the parish. Please kindly let us know when the sick are blessed with healing.

**LAST WEEK’S COLLECTION**

Offertory	\$1,253.00
Building	234.00
Hans Run	3,790.00
PAG (July)	1,010.00
ShareLife	80.00