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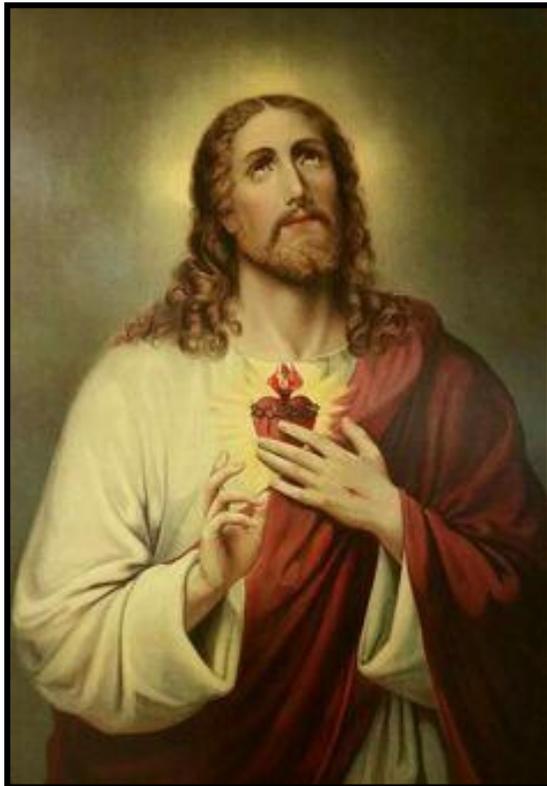
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Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



**“Jesus saw a great crowd;
and he had compassion for them
and cured their sick.”**

Matthew 14:14

OFFICE HOURS

The office is closed to the public until further notice.
You may contact us to make arrangements for meetings.

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August 2nd, 2020

MASS TIMES

Bishop Crosby has dispensed all Catholics in the Diocese of Hamilton from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass.

Public Masses:

Sunday, August 2nd at 11:00 am (School)*

Tuesday, August 4th at 7:00 pm (Church)*

Friday, August 7th at 8:00 am (Church)

*Sunday and Tuesday Mass will be live streamed during the state of emergency with links here:

<https://www.facebook.com/sacredheartofjesusrockwood/>

CONFESSIONS

By appointment.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Tuesday 7:30 pm to Thursday 9:00 pm.

MASS INTENTIONS (AUGUST 4TH TO AUGUST 9TH)

Tuesday 7 pm *CWL Members & their Families: CWL*

Thursday *Jessica Rutan: Jackson Bedard*

Friday 8 am *Intention of Donor*

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday 5 pm † *Lawrence Debono*

Sunday 11 am *For the People*

SOCIAL MEDIA

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PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Sunday Mass in the Church

When the Government of Ontario allowed churches to open and Bishop Crosby announced that Sunday Mass would begin on June 21st I was panicking. As excited as I was that churches would be open for Mass, with the physical distancing restrictions for places of worship, I calculated that we would only be allowed to use eight pews in our little church. That's enough seating for a weekday Mass. But not a Sunday Mass. In order to adhere to physical distancing and provide enough seats for Sunday Mass, I made an arrangement with the Wellington Catholic District School Board to use Sacred Heart School in June, July and August. Last year we celebrated Mass at Camp Brébeuf in the summer months. However, even the Pavilion would have been too small to accommodate large numbers with physical distancing. In God's Providence, I was relieved when the Board permitted me to book the school gym for the summer months. Although I realize that a gym isn't a church, over these past few Sundays it has been wonderful to celebrate Mass with our local Rockwood church community at the school. Even with the wearing of masks, I can see many familiar faces. And there's lots of room for physical distancing. My thought at the time of celebrating the first Mass back was that we would celebrate the Sunday Mass at 11:00 am in the school until September, when I was hoping that some of the restrictions would be lifted and enable us to accommodate more people in the church. At the same time, I decided to wait and see if the gym might fill up over the summer, in which case I thought we may need to use the church on Sunday as well. Over these past few Sundays, the number of parishioners attending Mass at the school has remained about the same. While I have considered resuming celebrating Sunday Mass in the church, the thought of turning people away when the church was full broke my heart.

However, during the Pastoral Council meeting held this past Tuesday evening over Zoom, I learned that some of our parishioners who would like to return to attending Sunday Mass are not able to attend the 11:00 am Mass at the school. I was not aware of this. When I expressed my concern that resuming Sunday Mass in the church would mean that people will be turned away I was told that this has become the "new normal". They said that churches in Guelph lock the doors when the available seating is full. I asked about the possibility of registering online for Sunday Mass in the church, but I was discouraged. In light of this new information, I have decided that we will resume the **Saturday 5:00 pm Mass on August 8th**. Nevertheless, this won't be as simple as it sounds. We will need volunteers to sanitize the church after the 5:00 pm Mass. This is the first step towards resuming the Sunday 9:00 am Mass in the church. I will also need to instruct ushers to help people find seating as well as instruct them to turn people away when the church fills up. I hope that you aren't one of those people who are turned away. If you are, please accept my apologies in advance. And please come back another time. One of my greatest fears as pastor is that someone will be turned away from Sunday Mass at the doors of the church and never return.

It pains me to think that the "new normal" in this time of encouraging people to return to the practice of the faith might mean that they have the doors of the church slammed in their face. All the more reason why we need to pray that our new Sacred Heart of Jesus Church will be built on the hill at Camp Brébeuf sooner rather than later. In his Letter to the Romans, St. Paul wrote: "We know that all things work together for good for those who love God. . . ." We love God. I love God. And so we trust that all things will work together according to God's plan for building a new church. Yet we also need to cooperate with God's plan. To this end, I'm happy to report that progress has been made in recent weeks with regards to meeting the requirement for constructing a new entrance to Camp Brébeuf. Please pray for those who may be turned away from the doors of old church and please pray that we will soon have a new church large enough to welcome all those who come to its doors.

Fr. Mark Morley

Reprint from July 26th, 2020

PARISH UPDATES

COULSON CUP GOLF TOURNAMENT: Registration is now open for this year's Coulson Cup taking place on Sunday, August 23rd at 1:00 pm. See the parish website for either a downloadable **registration form** or try the new online registration form. Please consider sponsoring this important event in some way this year!

<http://sacredheartrockwood.ca/2020/07/25/parish-office-golf-tournament-registration/>

SATURDAY 5PM MASS: Saturday 5:00 pm Mass will resume on August 8th in the church. Registration is required as there is only room for 8 households/social circles in the church. We will also have some room for overflow in Coulson Hall. Here is the link to register: <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/mass-saturday-august-8th-tickets-115508157007>. This Mass will not be live streamed. If you would like to volunteer to help disinfect the pews after Mass, please contact the office at office@sacredheartrockwood.ca.

FOOD BANK: If you have donations for the food bank, you may drop them off at the church anytime between Tuesday evening and Thursday evening. The basket is in the side entrance of the church.

REGISTRATION FOR WEEKDAY AND SATURDAY MASSES: You will need to register prior to each weekday and Saturday Mass as we only have room for 8 households/social circles with social distancing. Here is the link to register: <https://www.eventbrite.ca/o/sacred-heart-of-jesus-parish-30530393162>. If you are not able to register online, please call the office at 519-856-4711.

LIVE-STREAMED EVENTS: During the state of emergency, the Sunday 11:00 am Mass and Tuesday 7:00 pm Mass will continue to be live streamed. The link to join is available on the events page here: <https://www.facebook.com/sacredheartofjesusrockwood/>.

MASS INTENTIONS: You may request a Mass intention for any prayer intention you have. To request one, please fill out a form (found in the office mailbox) and put the form with the \$10 stipend back in the mailbox. Alternatively, you may send an e-Transfer to e-transfer@sacredheartrockwood.ca, including your contact information, who the intention is for, and if you have a request for a specific date in the message.

WELLINGTON DEANERY

FATIMA!: A new movie on Fatima will be in theatres soon! It would be beneficial to watch and learn what Our Lady had to say to the three shepherd children in 1917 which is RELEVANT TODAY in this our day and time. If we want to know what is happening, why the world is in the state that it is in, and what we can all do about it, this film is for you and your families and in fact for everyone. Since things are starting to relax and Cinemas are now open and we can safely attend a movie this would be time and money well spent! It will be showing on Friday Aug.14th! Please save the date! Watch the bulletin for more details. This is a new movie! *Mary Spiteri*

EVENTS

Registration is required for weekday Masses

AUGUST

- 4 Rosary (6:30 pm)
Mass (7:00 pm)
- 7 Mass (8:00 am)

REFLECTION

"We so often seek happiness in the miserable satisfaction of a mere moment and find ourselves unhappier than before."

-St. Thérèse of Lisieux

PRAYER CALENDAR FOR PRIESTS

- Mon. - Rev. Stephen Murrin
- Tues. - Rev. Timothy Higgins
- Wed. - Society of Christ
- Thurs. - *The Transfiguration of the Lord*
- Fri. - Rev. Brendan McGrath
- Sat. - Rev. Romelito Guillen

OUR SUNDAY COLLECTION

JULY 26TH, 2020

Envelopes:	\$	820.00
Loose:	\$	32.00
Total:	\$	852.00
Prior Week:	\$	1630.00

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

Building Fund:	\$	640.00
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ONLINE DONATIONS

July:	\$	2267.07
June:	\$	2194.72

Thank you!

You can make an online offering using your credit card or set up automatic monthly donations. Please visit sacredheartrockwood.ca/donate.

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