Luke 13:22-30

1. "We ate and drank in your company." Is a membership in a particular group an automatic "opening" of the narrow gate? Can people of all religions receive grace? If God is always creating you, moment to moment; do you think God ever stops offering you moments of grace?

2. Is there anybody who can open the "narrow gate"? If you were making a sign for this gate, could you call it "love"? According to Pope Francis what is the only thing that opens the gate?

Jesus makes it clear that it is not a matter of numbers, that there is no "limited number" in Paradise! Rather, it is a case of taking the right way from now, and this right way is for everyone, but it is narrow. He tells us things as they truly are: the doorway is narrow. In what sense? In the sense that, in order to save oneself, one has to love God and neighbor, and this is uncomfortable! It is a "narrow doorway" because it is demanding. Love is always demanding. It requires commitment, indeed, "effort," that is, a determined and persevering willingness to live according to the Gospel. Saint Paul calls it "the good fight of the faith" (<u>1 Tim 6:12</u>). It takes a daily, allday effort to love God and neighbor.

> Pope Francis, <u>ANGELUS</u> Saint Peter's Square Sunday, August 25, 2019

Our Lady of Hope Pastoral Unit

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time 21 August 2022

Immaculate Conception Church, Rexton

St-Peter's Church, South Branch



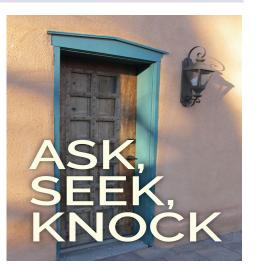
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Priest-Moderator:Fr. Bernard Gauthier, C.Ss.R.523-9788Cell Phone:889-0344Immaculate Conception Mass TimesSt. Peter's Mass TimeSunday – 11:00 amSaturday – 4:00 pmTuesday – 4:00 pm (Sacristy)Saturday – 4:00 pm

Scripture Readings for Upcoming Week						
Mon	2 Thessalonians 1:1-12	Psalm 96	Matthew 23:13-22			
Tue	2 Thessalonians 1:1-12	Psalm 96	Matthew 23:23-26			
Wed	Revelation 21:9-14	Psalm 145	John 1:45-51			
Thu	1 Corinthians 1:1-9	Psalm 145	Matthew 24:42-51			
Fri	1 Corinthians 1:17-25	Psalm 33	Matthew 25:1-13			
Sat	1 Corinthians 1:26-31	Psalm 33	Matthew 25:14-30			
Sun	Sirach 3:17-29 Hebrews 12:18-24	Psalm 68	Luke 14:1-14			



PARISH CONTRIBUTIONS FROM AUGUST 3RD – 14TH

Immaculate Conception

Loose: **\$115.60;** Envelopes: **\$1465.00;** Hall Rental: **\$80.00;** Donations: **\$80.00;** Donation for Lights: **\$33.20;** Sale of Votives: **\$183.00; TOTAL: \$1956.80** <u>St. Peter's</u> Loose: **\$107.00** Envelopes: **\$535.00**; **TOTAL: \$642.00**

Immaculate Conception Cemetery Urn Burials x 2: TOTAL: \$150.00

Thank you

MASS INTENTIONS FOR UPCOMING WEEK

Sat	20	SP	4:00 pm	Margaret Rose Sullivan†	Stella & Yvon
Sun	21	IC	11:00 am	Franklin Legoff†	son Bill
Tue	23	IC	4:00 pm	Katharine Tramley†	Rexton C.W.L.
Sat	27	SP	4:00 pm	Daniel & Margaret Murphy†	Claire Murphy
Sun	28	IC	11:00 am	Bernard & Serena Hudson†	Family

LITURGY SCHEDULE FOR UPCOMING WEEK

				Lecto	Eucharistic Ministers	
Sat	27	SP	4:00 pm	1 st Reading & Psalm 2 nd Reading & Intentions	Lois	Stella
Sun	28	IC		1 st Reading & Psalm 2 nd Reading & Intentions	Corinne Pat	Gloria

ROSARY SCHEDULE FOR IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

				Leader	Intentions
Sun	28	IC	10:30 am	Gail	1st Decade: For our clergy
Sun	4	IC	10:30 am	Maia	2nd Decade: For our parishioners
Sun	11	IC	10:30 am	Gail	3rd Decade: For our youth 4th Decade: For peace in our world
Sun	18	IC	10:30 am	Maia	5th Decade : For the intentions of parishioners

WE PRAY FOR STRENGTH FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK:

Alverie Robichaud, Roger Mazerolle and all residents living in special care homes.

THERE IS A PROMISE OF MARRIAGE BETWEEN LEONARDO SUSON (RICHIBUCTO), SON OF ALEJANDRO AND SALOME SUSON (LABOGON, PHILIPPINES) AND CARLA MAY REYES (RICHIBUCTO) DAUGHTER OF CARL AND ROGELITA REYES (LIBURON, PHILIPPINES). THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE WILL BE CELEBRATED AT IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH IN REXTON ON SEPTEMBER 24, 2022 AT 1:00 PM.



DIOCESAN ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHANGES TO THE DIOCESAN OFFICE FOR EVANGELIZATION & CATECHESIS

After 20+ years of service to the Archdiocese of Moncton, Ellen Bennett will retire from her position in September and Trevor Droesbeck will assume the role of Director for the Office for Evangelization and Catechesis, along with Karen LeBlanc who has been hired as Assistant. **Please note The Office for Evangelization and Catechesis has been moved from 45 York Street in Moncton to Immaculate Heart of Mary in Riverview** (5 Fatima Drive) and can be reached by calling 857-4879 or emailing trevord.diocese@gmail.com.

TENDING THE SOIL, TENDING THE SOWER 2022

This year's catechist formation will take place on Saturday, September 17th from 8:30 am – 2:00 pm. Our facilitator will be Dr. Anne Walsh, Coordinator of Partnership in Mission, Redemptorists and Redemptorist Adult Faith Formation Team. She will give a presentation entitled "WHERE HAS GOD WALKED WITH YOU ON YOUR JOURNEY? Exploring how we do mystagogy in everyday life". Register by emailing Trevor Droesbeck at trevord.diocese@gmail.com, by calling 857-4879. You can register online through the diocesan website at www.diomoncton.ca \rightarrow Pastoral Offices \rightarrow Children's Catechesis \rightarrow Formation Opportunities and click on the poster.

MONDAYS @ THE MOVIES

Monday @ The Movies is a group that meets regularly to discuss faith connections in popular movies. Our next movie discussion will take place on Zoom on Monday, August 29th at 10:30 am when we will talk about the (2003) comedy, *Bruce Almighty* starring Jim Carey. For more information or to register, contact Trevor.

"The witness of the elderly unites the generations of life. Same with the dimensions of time: past, present and future. The various ages of life are not separate worlds competing with each other. The alliance of the elderly and children will save the human family." ~Pope Francis via Twitter