

THIRTEETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



The summer days are here, which means this is the last bulletin. Did I capture your attention? I hope I did, because I want to offer you a challenge for the next two months. Amid the clamor and overstimulation of this world, we often yearn for silence and a deeper connection with God. Perhaps this challenge may help you achieve this goal during the next ten weeks. I want to recommend to you a book by Richard Rohr: *Silent Compassion: Finding God in Contemplation*. *He reminds us that silence is more than the absence of noise; it has a life of its own. We are invited into its living presence to find the wholeness of being and the peace it brings, for we so often go about our day without giving a single thought to the habits we perform.*

This book serves as a bridge between our need for a deeper prayer life and the silence required to bring us closer to the divine. As the author put it, *“Silence grounds everything. We cannot just see it as an accident, or as something unnecessary. But unless we learn how to live there, go there, abide in this different phenomenon, the rest becomes superficial.” So it is within that soundless space that we can truly hear the voice of God which often whispers in our hearts:*

The adventure of life is to learn.

The purpose of life is to grow.

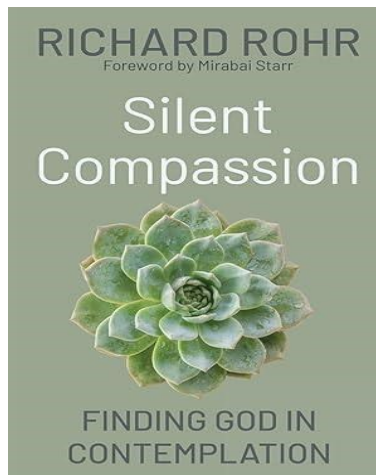
The essence of life is to care.

The opportunity of life is to serve.

The beauty of life is to give.

May this truth in this book (i.e., the conscious interruption of the cycle of busyness) enhance your life the way it enhanced mine: in silence without any distractions in order not to miss out on the sacredness of the present, especially when we allow life to move too quickly.

P.S. Enjoy your summer, and I will “meet” you here again in September to remind you through my reflections that it is the Spirit of God moving in a vessel of clay that inspires the world to become a better place as we allow ourselves to receive each day’s surprise, whether it comes to us as sorrow or as joy, with faith, hope and love.



Fr. Slavko

JUNE 30, 2024



The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul

BUNDLE UP WAS A HUGE SUCCESS!



THANK YOU ALL PARISHIONERS!

Our Christian vocation demands that we help the Poor, the Hungry and the Homeless. Just as Jesus taught and did, we need to welcome them, identify their needs and satisfy them.

Your contributions to the Poor Box after Mass support the efforts of our Society 'Saint Vincent de Paul' to serve the needy in our community.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS!

MEN & WOMEN RETREAT

Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre—2325 Liverpool Rd. Pickering, ON L1X 1V4
General Inquires: 905-839-2864

Vivaldi's Four Seasons: in our Christian Commitment
July 8 @ 4:00 pm – July 12 @ 1:00 pm
\$600.00 Suggested Offering

Through Summer, and Autumn, Winter, Spring, we view our commitment as we live our lives at various stages, with the help of personalities in our Scriptures.

- Summer. The Woman at the Well—she came because she was thirsty.
- Autumn. Zacchaeus, the short man who climbed a tree.
- Winter. The Bent Old Woman who became unbent.
- Spring. Mary Magdalen, the first person mandated by the Risen Christ is a woman.

We contemplate the gifts from God, through paradoxes, through life pauses, through impossible dreams, so that we can go where the brave dare not go. This 5-day retreat begins on Monday afternoon, July 8th, you arrive for 4:00 pm, settle in and then dinner is served at 5:30 pm. It ends with lunch on Friday, July 12th. Fr. Michael will lead each day with conferences, reflections, Eucharistic Celebrations, and opportunities for individual Spiritual Direction and confession if you so desire.

Facilitated by Fr. Michael Coutts, SJ



MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday, July 2

9 a.m. Repose of the soul of Flora Manlapaz req. by Catherine Manlapaz

Wednesday, July 3

9 a.m. Repose of the soul of Efren Rivera req. by the Constantino family.

Thursday, July 4

9 a.m. Private Intentions.

Friday, July 5

9 a.m. Repose of the soul of Dorothy Johns req. by the Johns family.

Saturday, July 6

4:30 p.m. Repose of the soul of Warren Yeh req. by the Dunst family.

Sunday, July 7

9 a.m. Repose of the soul of Emmauel Requina req. by the Nido family.

11 a.m. Intentions of all Parishioners.

COFFEE & TEA & SNACKS SOCIAL



The Social will resume **Wednesday, July 3, 2024**
After the 9 a.m. Mass
in the Parish Basement

**ARE YOU MOVING?
OR
HAVE YOU MOVED ALREADY?**



Please contact the parish office so your records can be updated.

Thank you.

*Small deeds
done are
better than
great deeds
planned.*

Peter Marshall

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