

“Excerpts of the Apostolic letter of Pope Francis on the Liturgy entitled :“DESIDERIO DESIDERAVI”

6. Before our response to his invitation — well before! — there is his desire for us. We may not even be aware of it, but every time we go to Mass, the first reason is that we are drawn there by his desire for us. For our part, the possible response — which is also the most demanding asceticism — is, as always, that surrender to this love, that letting ourselves be drawn by him. Indeed, every reception of communion of the Body and Blood of Christ was already desired by him in the Last Supper.

7. The content of the bread broken is the cross of Jesus, his sacrifice of obedience out of love for the Father. If we had not had the Last Supper, that is to say, if we had not had the ritual anticipation of his death, we would have never been able to grasp how the carrying out of his being condemned to death could have been in fact *the* act of perfect worship, pleasing to the Father, the only true act of worship, the only true liturgy. Only a few hours after the Supper, the apostles could have seen in the cross of Jesus, if they could have borne the weight of it, what it meant for Jesus to say, “body offered,” “blood poured out.” It is this of which we make memorial in every Eucharist. When the Risen One returns from the dead to break the bread for the disciples at Emmaus, and for his disciples who had gone back to fishing for fish and not for people on the Sea of Galilee, that gesture of breaking the bread opens their eyes. It heals them from the blindness inflicted by the horror of the cross, and it renders them capable of “seeing” the Risen One, of believing in the Resurrection.

8. If we had somehow arrived in Jerusalem after Pentecost and had felt the desire not only to have information about Jesus of Nazareth but rather the desire still to be able to meet him, we would have had no other possibility than that of searching out his disciples so that we could hear his words and see his gestures, more alive than ever. We would have had no other possibility of a true encounter with him other than that of the community that celebrates. For this reason the Church has always protected as its most precious treasure the command of the Lord, “Do this in memory of me.”

9. From the very beginning the Church was aware that this was not a question of a representation, however sacred it be, of the Supper of the Lord. It would have made no sense, and no one would have been able to think of “staging” — especially before the eyes of Mary, the Mother of the Lord — that highest moment of the life of the Master. From the very beginning the Church had grasped, enlightened by the Holy Spirit, that that which was visible in Jesus, that which could be seen with the eyes and touched with the hands, his words and his gestures, the concreteness of the incarnate Word — everything of Him had passed into the celebration of the sacraments. [1]

10. Here lies all the powerful beauty of the liturgy. If the resurrection were for us a concept, an idea, a thought; if the Risen One were for us the recollection of the recollection of others, however authoritative, as, for example, of the Apostles; if there were not given also to us the possibility of a true encounter with Him, that would be to declare the newness of the Word made flesh to have been all used up. Instead, the Incarnation, in addition to being the only always new event that history knows, is also the very method that the Holy Trinity has chosen to open to us the way of communion. Christian faith is either an encounter with Him alive, or it does not exist.

11. The Liturgy guarantees for us the possibility of such an encounter. For us a vague memory of the Last Supper would do no good. We need to be present at that Supper, to be able to hear his voice, to eat his Body and to drink his Blood. We need Him. In the Eucharist and in all the sacraments we are guaranteed the possibility of encountering the Lord Jesus and of having the power of his Paschal Mystery reach us. The salvific power of the sacrifice of Jesus, his every word, his every gesture, glance, and feeling reaches us through the celebration of the sacraments. I am Nicodemus, the Samaritan woman at the well, the man possessed by demons at Capernaum, the paralytic in the house of Peter, the sinful woman pardoned, the woman afflicted by haemorrhages, the daughter of Jairus, the blind man of Jericho, Zacchaeus, Lazarus, the thief and Peter both pardoned. The Lord Jesus who dies no more, who lives forever with the signs of his Passion [2] continues to pardon us, to heal us, to save us with the power of the sacraments. It is the concrete way, by means of his incarnation, that he loves us. It is the way in which he satisfies his own thirst for us that he had declared from the cross. (Jn 19:28)

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XV SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



HOLY MASS

Saturday: 05:30pm English, Church.

Sunday: 09:00am English, Church.
10:30am Creole, Church.
12:30pm Spanish, Church.

Weekdays: 05:30pm English, Blue Chapel.

Fridays: 04:00pm Adoration of Blessed Sacrament and Rosary.
05:30pm Blue Chapel.

SCHEDULE OF SACRAMENTS

Baptisms: Contact one of the priests in person.

Confessions: Everyday before Mass or by appointment.

Anointing of the Sick: Upon request.

Marriage: Call the parish office for preparation before setting a fixed date.

1st Communions: 11 June, 2023.

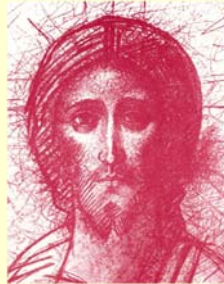
Confirmation: TBA

Today 's Gospel is one very familiar to us all. It is the good Samaritan. Every person knows that we are called to love but the problem is we do not. In fact it seems that you try to love other people but something gets in the way and you cannot love them just the way that they are. You would like the other person to change and that's the best case scenario. Usually, you insist that they change! "It's not possible to go on unless you change." This is the common outcry or it is "Why do they behave in that way and why can't they just change.?" The problem is that **YOU** cannot change! Have you ever tried to change yourself? It may last a day or two but then your old nature returns and often with a vengeance, literally! Just think about all those new year resolutions. Out the window by January 7th if not earlier! Then what is there to do? It seems impossible to love the other people around without wanting them to change. Well, I think there is a different way of looking at this Gospel than you are accustomed to, and that is to put yourself in the place of the man that was stripped and robbed. That is your situation! The devil has come and stripped and robbed you of the ability to love. You are the wounded one and so there is no way that anyone can expect the wounded man to do anything. So, if you begin to see your wounds and that the biggest of these is the impossibility to love others as they are, then the Lord can start to work. So, It is the Lord who is the Good Samaritan and who comes to clean your wounds and take care of you, if you recognize your state of woundedness. He comes to pour oil and wine on your wounds. These represent the sacraments of baptism and the Eucharist. Through the word of God and the sacrament that you receive today the Lord can restore the grace of your baptism and give you the ability to see yourself and so to begin the healing process that leads to self acceptance. This must come first, and then to be able to accept other people.

May the Lord grant us all this grace of which we all are in desperate need.

Fr. Paul

CATECHESIS FOR ADULTS IN CREOLE



**W'ap chèche konprann lavi w?
W fatigué ak lavi a, w Santi w sèl?
W eskandalize de soufrans?**

"JEZI AP PASE"

"Vini, Pou w tande yon bòn nouvèl!"

Vini e koute yon anons kè kontan. Katechis Pou granmoun ak jen: Lendi, e Jedi nan sal pawaswal la a 07:00 pm.

HOLY HOUR

All are invited to come and adore the Lord in the blessed sacrament at the **new time of 4:00 pm –5:15pm** on every Friday in the daily mass chapel. There will be adoration, rosary, spiritual reading and confessions. This can also be a good preparation for the daily mass at 5:30pm.

YOUTH PILGRIMAGE TO ISRAEL

We are very grateful to the Lord for all of you who make possible for these 27 young adults, man and women, to visit the Holy places in Israel. We will keep you in our prayers the Lord reward a you hundredfold spiritually and materially. Thank you!!!

Blessings,

Fr. Orlando

Parish Events July 10-17

Sunday: Holy Mass: 09:00am,10:30am,12:30pm

04:00pm Coeur de Marie: Children's group.
05:30pm Sacre Coeur de Jesus, P. Hall.
05:00pm Fraternitey, Red Room.
05:00pm Creole Youth Choir practice
05:00pm Choeur D'hommes 1st and 3rd Sunday at church.

Monday: 05:30pm D. Mass Chapel

St. Benedict 07:00pm Creole Catechesis

Tuesday 05:30pm D. Mass, Chapel,

Wednesday: 05:30pm Mass Church

St. Henry 07:00pm 1st Creole Red Room
07:00pm 1st & 2nd Spanish. Blue Chapel.
07:00pm ALL English, Maria Goretti

Thursday: 05:30pm D. Mass Chapel.
St. Kateri 06:00pm Creole Choir Practice Parish Hall.

Tekakwitha 07:00pm Creole Catechesis

Friday: 04:00pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction. Confessions

St. Bonaventure 05:30pm Daily Mass, Blue Chapel.

Saturday: 05:30pm Mass, Church

07:00pm NCW Eucharist



School Notes

Holy Family Academy

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Summer Break
June 22th - August 30th, 2022

Back to School
Wednesday, August 31, 2022.

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You can also donate from the US in the following link:

<https://www.rcan.org/mission-turks-and-caicos-islands>

Wish List

This is another way to help the missionary school or students who are in need, by donating any of the following:

- Abacus
- Speaker System
- Jumping Ropes, Ping Pong table.
- Tonner Canon ImageRunner ADVANCE C5255