

**St. Peter, Holy Guardian Angels and St. John the Baptist  
Parishes  
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**18<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
July 31, 2022**

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The Memorial of [St. Ignatius of Loyola](#), which is ordinarily celebrated today, is superseded by the Sunday liturgy.

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**Sunday Readings**

The **First Reading** is taken from the Book of *Ecclesiastes* 1:2; 2:22-23 and deals with the vanity of earthly things. It discusses the problem "What value has this earthly life for man?"

The **Second Reading** is from St. Paul to the *Colossians* 3:1-5, 9-11 in which he urges the converts to keep their eyes on Christ with whom they have been raised up to a new spiritual level or status. They must no longer be mixed up in the sinful things of this earth. They died to all this when they died with Christ in baptism.

The **Gospel** is from *St. Luke* 12:13-21. Jesus was surrounded by a large crowd to whom he was giving his message of salvation. Some men in the crowd asked him to arbitrate in a family dispute over property. This Jesus refused to do. This interest in property gave him the occasion to teach his hearers, and all of us, in a very effective parable, the relative value of this world's goods.

The lesson of this parable is obvious to all, and it is perhaps as difficult to put into practice as it is obvious. To be in this world and not of it, to collect the necessary goods of this world by honest labor and yet remain detached from them, to possess but not be possessed by worldly riches, is an ideal to which our weak human nature responds very reluctantly.

A large percentage of Christians, however, do respond to the challenge manfully and loyally. They earn and use the goods of this world, while at the same time they keep God's laws and earn wealth for heaven. Some renounce even the right, which is theirs, to possess the necessary things of this world, by taking on themselves the vows of religion. Thus they set themselves free to devote their whole time and energy to the service of God and neighbor. Others, and they are of necessity the more numerous, have to own the world's goods in order to provide for themselves and their dependants, but, while so doing, they never let their temporal possessions come between them and their God. To do this is not easy, but God's helping grace is always available to the willing heart.

There is still a third group—those who resemble the foolish man described in the parable. Like him they are so enmeshed and ensnared in their desire to collect good things for their earthly life, that they forget that at any moment they may have to leave this earth and all they possess in it. They may not have large barns or grain-bins bursting at the seams with the fruits of their fields or their market dealings, but they have allowed their possessions, large or small, to become the prison-houses of their hearts and thoughts. In their mad rush for earthly treasure they give themselves no time to stop and think of the really important thing in life, namely, that soon they must leave this world and all it holds dear to them. But it is not the departure from this world that is to be feared. Rather, it is the arrival at another for which they have made no preparation. That other world of which they have often heard, but which they shrugged off as something fit for the weak-minded, will not open before them in all its awe-inspiring immensity. They will have a momentary glimpse of the eternal beauty and happiness that they lost for a "mess of pottage," before they enter the unending valley of sorrow which they elected for themselves when, during their period of trial, they chose earthly baubles instead of God.

This has been the fate of foolish men and women in the past. It will, also, be the fate of many more in the future. It could be my fate, too, unless I remain ever on the alert to keep myself free from the snare of worldly wealth. I must remember that it is not the quantity of this world's goods which I possess that will be my undoing, but the quality of the hold which they have on me. There are and will be millionaires in heaven, while many in the lower income-brackets will find themselves excluded.

No man will be excluded from heaven because he lawfully possessed some of this world's wealth. But a man will exclude himself from eternal happiness if he lets this world's wealth possess him to the exclusion of God.

The fate of the rich man in the parable need not, and should not, be mine. I still have time to stop building larger grain-bins and barns, and to turn my attention instead to collecting some treasure for heaven.

—Excerpted from *The Sunday Readings Cycle C*, Fr. Kevin O' Sullivan,  
O.F.M.

**Sacrament of Baptism**

**please call the office:**

**902-535-2053**

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**Instructors for baptism:**

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**Weekday Masses**

**Tuesday, August 2, 2022**

**SJB 4:00 PM**

**+Wally Cooke**

**Wednesday, August 3, 2022**

**SP 9:00 AM**

**+ John (Jackie) Pottie**

**Thursday, August 4, 2022**

**HGA 11:00 AM**

**Deceased Members of the Briand & O'Hara Families**

**Friday, August 5, 2022**

**SH 11:00 AM**

**Mass of the Resurrection**

**+Vincent Joseph Campbell**

**Saturday, August 6, 2022, 2022**

**SH 4:00 PM**

**HGA 5:30 PM**

**+ Clarke Sampson**

**Sunday, August 7, 2022**

**SJB 9:00 AM**

**+Fred & Charlotte LeBlanc**

**SP 10:30 AM**

**+ Perla Neo Asor**

**Receipts**

**Holy Guardian Angels**

**July 23, 2022**

Envelopes & Loose \$ 827.00

Candles 69.50

**Total \$ 896.50**

**St. John the Baptist**

**July 24, 2022**

Envelopes & loose \$ 743.00

**Total \$ 743.00**

**St. Peter's**  
**July 24, 2022**

Envelopes & Loose	\$ 1,140.00
Candles	8.00

<b><u>Total</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 1,148.00</u></b>
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**COMMUNITY EVENTS**

**Giant Yard Sale:** The Knights of Columbus will host a “Giant Yard Sale” on Saturday, August 6, 2022 8:00 AM until 4:00 PM at St. Peter’s Parish Church. Any gently used items you wish to donate would be greatly appreciated. All proceeds will be used for local charities.

**The Annual Auction in aid of MacAskill House Museum** will be held at the St. Peter’s Lions Hall on Wednesday, August 3, 2022.

Viewing begins at 6:00 PM and the auction starts at 7:30. Items include new merchandise, gift certificates and home baking. Door prizes and bidders’ prize. The auctioneer will make it entertaining.

**HGA:** As discussions continue to plan for our 200th Anniversary we invite members of our Parish Community to reflect on ideas to honour the memory of our ancestors. We are mindful of their sacrifices and contributions to the life of our Parish and want to show gratitude. Our theme for the Anniversary should reflect our appreciation and you are invited to share your thoughts. We also ask that you think about a family banner perhaps still around from a previous celebration which will proudly be displayed in Church during the 2023 year. If anyone has some old photos that they wish to share for viewing it would be most appreciated. We will continue to provide updates and ask for your prayers and support.

**Steve Sampson**  
**200th Anniversary Planning Chair**

**HGA:** Thank you to all who participated in the recent Novena to St Anne, the saint of tenderness and mercy who intercedes for us and for all the sick and afflicted. Thanks to your kind donations, we were able to send \$140 to the Shrine of St Anne de Beaupré. Also, we thank John C Martell for the flowers in front of our statue of St Anne. God bless you all.

**The Johnstown Landing Artisan & Farmers Outdoor Market:** Dates: July 30, August 13, 27, September 10, 24, October 8. The location is directly across from the Johnstown Parish Hall located at 15290 Highway 4 in Johnstown. The outdoor market will run bi-weekly starting Saturday June 4th ending the season on Saturday October 8th, 2022.

**SH: Music Royal Concert in the church - Sacred Heart Church,  
15338 Highway 4, Johnstown -**

**Aurore String Quartet** – Saturday August 20<sup>th</sup>, 7:30 pm \$25 at the door (\$20 advance by emailing [louisecampbel@gmail.com](mailto:louisecampbel@gmail.com)) Students \$10 at the door.

From August 16 - 21 2022, the Aurore String Quartet will perform six concerts across Nova Scotia part of Musique Royale's 37th Summer Festival taking place in historic venues in Lunenburg, Brooklyn, Yarmouth, Port Williams, Johnstown, and Truro. The quartet features violinists Jeanne-Sophie Baron and Daniel Dastoor, along with violist Ryan Davis and cellist David Liam Roberts. The ensemble will perform one string quartet by Mozart and another by Haydn, highlighting the two prolific composers in Vienna who had a special friendship that was based on mutual admiration, and untainted by envy.

These musicians were selected out of many applicants to participate in the prestigious Equilibrium Young Artist program led by soprano Barbara Hannigan, taking place at the Lunenburg Academy of Music and Performance during the week leading up to this Musique Royale concert tour, which will finish with a Gala Concert on August 13 with the famed soprano and conductor. The quartet is made up of four of Canada's most brilliant emerging artists at the beginning of their extraordinary careers. Musique Royale is delighted to showcase their talents across the province as part of its 37th Summer Festival.

Musique Royale welcomes two musicians from Europe, Birgit Bornauw and Benjamin Macke to perform "Curly Music" part of the 37th Summer Festival.

The repertoire, carefully chosen by Birgit and Benjamin, comes mainly from the Baroque period, but not exclusively, since it is a musical genre that has inspired composers to this day. The duo thus plays tunes from different eras which all have the particularity of "sounding baroque to their ears". Baroque music has many points in common with the traditional music they know well: short melodies and simple structure, significant work on variations, ornamentations, style, and a close relationship to dance.



St. Margaret Parish  
Grand Mesa, Cape Breton

**Friday, July 29th Celtic Concert**  
7:00-9:00pm  
at Community Hall  
Donation at the door  
with Joe Gillis  
and Local Talent

**Saturday, July 30th Family Picnic**  
1:00-5:00pm  
at Community Hall  
Bingo, New & Used Table  
Fun & Games  
and  
Roast Beef Dinner



**WALKING TOGETHER**  
POPE FRANCIS CANADA  
24 - 29 JULY 2022  
**MARCHER ENSEMBLE**  
POPE FRANCIS CANADA  
24 - 29 JUILLET 2022

**HOW CAN I PARTICIPATE IN THIS APOSTOLIC JOURNEY?**

- 1 PRAY** for the Holy Father and for his apostolic journey
- 2 BE PRESENT** in-person at scheduled events, or
- 3 FOLLOW** or view the events via livestream or cable TV
- 4 CONTRIBUTE** to the cost of the Papal Visit

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