

*Humble yourself the more,  
the greater you are, and you will  
find mercy in the sight of God.*

SIRACH 3:18

## I'm Nobody! Who Are You?

**T**his is the title of one of Emily Dickinson's most beloved poems. Did she really think she was nobody? Probably not. But neither was she eager to get bogged down by the approval of others. She seems to have been satisfied with who she was and how she lived her life.

Unlike Dickinson, many of us live for the approval of others. In fact, we almost glorify celebrities—and not simply for their accomplishments. Their taste becomes our choice in buying clothes; their opinions shape our thinking; their social life becomes our entertainment. This is a strange turnaround, for the only reason they are famous is that we have given them our approval. We made them celebrities.

We all know people who, in the eyes of the broader society, might be considered “nobodies” but who really are the “somebodies.” They are like Dickinson. They know who they are and do not pretend to be someone or something else. They do not put on airs; they do not expect to be treated better than others. They simply are who they are. These are the people described in today's readings. They have lived as Sirach counsels: “Humble yourself” (Sirach 3:18). This does not mean humiliate yourself or put yourself down. It means be who you are, the *you* that God made. Don't try to be someone else. The Gospel story shows what might happen if you think you are more than you really are. The proud man was literally put in his place.

So, who are you?

*Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA*

### FOR Reflection

- \* *What do you do to gain other's approval? Does that change who you are?*
- \* *How often do you describe yourself as better than others? Is it true?*

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**St. Brieux Parish Office Hours**

**Fr. Tru Le:** is available all week with the exception of Monday - his day off.

**Janet:** Wednesday 9:30 am to 3:00 pm

Bulletin and information is available on the website: [stbrieuxparish.ca](http://stbrieuxparish.ca) and our Facebook page: **St. Brieux Catholic Church.**

**St. Brieux Parish Mass Times:**

Tuesday-Friday: 9:00 a.m.  
1st Friday of the month: Mass 9 am. Adoration to follow  
Saturday: 7:00 p.m.  
Sunday: 9:00 a.m.

**Mary, Mother of God Parish Mass Time**

Sunday: 4:00 p.m.

**Reconciliation (St. Brieux):**

Fr. Tru is available to hear Confession:  
-Saturdays at 6:30 p.m. before 7:00 p.m. Mass  
-during the first Friday of the month Adoration Hour from 9-10 a.m.  
-Confession is available by appointment.

**Prayer for Priests**

LORD, life up your holy priests, deacons and religious. Grant them the graces they need to minister to your people. Keep them pure and strong in your love. Give them courage when things are difficult, and accompany them when they are lonely. Strengthen them in times of weakness. AMEN

**Prairie Harm Reduction**

If you are interested in making food, giving a donation or giving much needed supplies contact Jackie at 306-921-7539.

**EVENTS THIS WEEK**

**Aug. 30- Sept.02:** Weekday Masses 9:00 am  
**Sept. 02** Mass at 9:00, Adoration to follow mass  
**Sept. 03:** Mass 7:00 pm  
**Sept. 04:** Mass 9:00 am

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Sept 06- Sept.09:** Weekday Masses 9:00 am  
**Sept. 08: Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine 143rd Annual Pilgrimage:** For more details go to: [www.saintlaurentshrine.com](http://www.saintlaurentshrine.com)  
**Sept. 10:** Mass 7:00 pm  
**Sept. 11:** Mass 9:00 am  
**Sept. 11:** St. Brieux Parish Annual Meeting  
**Oct. 29:** Save the date for the Diocesan Pastoral Council (DPC)

**OUR LADY OF LOURDES SHRINE  
143rd Annual Pilgrimage 2022  
St. Laurent, SK. (NE of Duck Lake)  
September 8th, 2022**

**6:00 - 7:00 pm** -- Priests Available for Individual Confessions (Grotto)  
**6:30 – 7:00 pm** -- Marian Prayer, Rosary  
**7:00 - 8:30 pm** -- Celebration of Eucharist, Candlelight Procession  
**8:30 pm** ----- Birthday Cake and Coffee (Food Booth)  
(Please bring a long stemmed rose to present to Mary before Mass)

(For more details go to [www.saintlaurentshrine.com](http://www.saintlaurentshrine.com) )  
Donations to Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine greatly appreciated.

**Your God is ever beside you - indeed, he is even within you - St. Alphonsus Liguori**

## St. Brieux Parish Mass Intentions

Tues. Aug. 30	9:00 a.m.	+Helene Ferster by Terry Valmont
Wed. Aug. 31	9:00 a.m.	Shaun, Heather & Family by Percy & Roseann King
Thurs. Sept. 01	9:00 a.m.	+Therese Fagnou by Estelle Bitz & Family
Fri. Sept. 02	9:00 a.m.	+Louise Bourgault by Don & Celine Kleiboer
Sat. Sept. 03	7:00 p.m.	Eden Schnaider - birthday by Percy & Roseann King
Sun. Sept. 04	9:00 a.m.	All Parishoners

## Mary, Mother of God Parish Mass Intention

Sun. Sept. 04	4:00 p.m.	+Henry Rybinski by Mike & Elizabeth Rybinski
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### Collections

**St. Brieux:** Aug. 21, 2022 - \$776.00

**Mary, Mother of God:**  
Aug. 21, 2022 -\$185.00

### *Thank you*

**The Ill & Elderly ministry** : Marthe Rohel-Coquet accepted to continue this card ministry and would appreciate being informed of anyone who would be touched by receiving a card in the name of our St. Brieux Parish.

### **Pray It Forward Prayer Group:**

To join this ministry, or have an Intercessory Prayer Request contact Terry Valmont by text or call at 306-920-8771. Prayer requests can be submitted either anonymously or with information

**Join Pope Francis in Prayer Every Day**  
[www.clicktopray.org](http://www.clicktopray.org)

**St. Brieux Parish Liturgical Committee is inviting parishioners to consider using their talents in the various Sunday ministries. A sign-up sheet is at the back of the church.**

## **Stewardship: August 28th - 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*"Rather, when you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; blessed indeed will you be because of their inability to repay you." Luke 14:13-14*

One of the main principles of living a stewardship lifestyle is to give without expecting anything in return. This is difficult for some to comprehend in our "consumerist" culture that we live in. This is even difficult for many parish communities that have become heavily dependent on parish fundraising events to support the mission and ministry of their local parish. Generally speaking, at a parish fundraiser, you pay money and receive something in return, it's just a financial transaction. This is opposed to our parish offertory at Holy Mass, where you unite your sacrifice with Jesus', renewing our covenant relationship with Him.

<http://archstl.org/stewardship/page/bulletin-inserts>

## **Vocation Corner: August 28th - 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**A Vocation View:** Jesus keeps saying, "Let go. Come, follow me." If your pride is holding you back, or if you're looking for exaltation, let go. Come, follow His way.

**Prayer:** For a deeper sense of gratitude for the profoundly beautiful mystery celebrated at every Mass and for all our priests, who humbly make Christ present by the power of the Holy Spirit through the grace of ordination, we pray to the Lord.

**Action:** At the heart of the church is vocation. The earliest idea of what is today called "church" starts with the Greek word *ekklesia*, which is only found twice in the gospels, both times in Matthew, and means those who have been "called out." Jesus "calls out" all who follow him to share in his ministry in different ways. Reflect on your call!

**The rivers of grace cannot flow uphill, up the steep cliff of the proud person's heart**  
- St. Bernard

# Dear Padre,

Isn't natural family planning (NFP) a form of birth control? The couple still controls the potential of human life that God may have wanted to create at a particular moment.

Couples who use NFP aren't practicing contraception. By giving themselves completely to one another in body and soul, they're preserving the integrity of the marriage sacrament. In God's design, women

are naturally infertile for many days of the menstrual cycle. The marital act during these times promotes bonding and yet is open to new life. There is no sin in abstaining from the marital act. When a husband and wife use NFP appropriately, they share responsibility for living with their combined fertility. Neither spouse takes

the other for granted. NFP is a healthy and holistic way to plan for children.

Many couples find that living an NFP lifestyle gives them a better understanding of their fertility, frees them from fear of medical side effects, increases their communication, encourages a greater sense of sharing and a generosity toward life, fosters sexual self-control, and gives them the peace of following their spiritual, religious, cultural, or ethical beliefs. Periodic abstinence encourages couples to focus on aspects of their relationship beyond the physical, resulting in a "honeymoon effect."

NFP's most important benefit is that it enables spouses to live the mutual gift of self that is an essential element of marriage. The Church values marital sexual love. NFP helps couples to be authentic in the expression of that love.

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## A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

Jesus teaches this: "The one who humbles himself will be exalted" (Luke 14:11). God does not exalt us because of our gifts, because of our wealth, or because of our skills, but because of humility. God loves humility. God lifts up those who humble themselves; he lifts up those who serve.

ANGELUS, SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION, AUGUST 15, 2021



## Calendar

### Monday

AUGUST 29

*The Passion of St. John the Baptist*

1 Cor 2:1–5

Mk 6:17–29

### Tuesday

AUGUST 30

Weekday

1 Cor 2:10b–16

Lk 4:31–37

### Wednesday

AUGUST 31

Weekday

1 Cor 3:1–9

Lk 4:38–44

### Thursday

SEPTEMBER 1

Weekday

1 Cor 3:18–23

Lk 5:1–11

### Friday

SEPTEMBER 2

Weekday

1 Cor 4:1–5

Lk 5:33–39

### Saturday

SEPTEMBER 3

*St. Gregory the Great,*

*Pope and Doctor of the Church*

1 Cor 4:6b–15

Lk 6:1–5

### Sunday

SEPTEMBER 4

*Twenty-third Sunday*

*in Ordinary Time*

Wis 9:13–18b

Phlm 9–10, 12–17

Lk 14:25–33



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