



[Jesus said to the crowd,]
“Strive to enter through
the narrow door, for many,
I tell you, will attempt
to enter but will not be
strong enough.”

LUKE 13:24

The Narrow Gate

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

Some people find love in their lives; others complain of loneliness. Some find peace, while others seem to be perpetually angry. Some live comfortably amid human diversity, yet others insist that the rest of the world be like them. There are those who are able to forgive and compromise and offer compassion and those who cannot. The difference seems to be the ability to forgo one’s own desires for the sake of a greater good or the common good. Such may be the narrow gate through which some may not be strong enough to enter.

Phrases like *the kingdom of God* or *the kingdom of heaven* are not just references to places to which we go

but also ways of being or states of existence. They all refer to God’s presence, to life with God. You’ve heard people say they were so happy that they felt it was like heaven on earth. It wasn’t a place they went but an experience of being filled with joy and peace. It’s pure gift. No one ever finds it by focusing on oneself. It is the narrow gate by which we find our way into such a life. It is the doorway of caring for others. ●

Reflect

What is the “narrow gate” before me now—the most difficult challenge as a follower of Jesus?

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St. Brieux Parish Office Hours

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

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Bulletin and information is available on the website: 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 9:00 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

-The first Friday of the month during Adoration Hour

-Confession is available by appointment.

Grief Ministry

Someone is available for you and your family members to talk or just listen.....Call Fr. Tru Le at 306-714-7717

Pregnancy Crisis Line: 1-800-665-0570

Farm Crisis Line: 1-800-667-4442

Catholic Family Services: 1-877-922-3202

for appointment

EVENTS THIS WEEK

Aug 26 to Aug 29: Mass 9:00 am

Aug 30: Mass 7:00 pm - St. Brieux

Aug 31: Mass 9:00 am - St. Brieux

Aug 31: Mass 4:00 pm - Kinistino

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sept 02 to Sept 05: NO MASS - Clergy Days

Sept 06: Mass 7:00 pm - St. Brieux

Sept 07: Mass 9:00 am - St. Brieux (Coffee Sunday - Group 3)

Sept 07: Mass 4:00 pm - Kinistino

Sept 09: NO MASS - Father's Stat

Sept 10 to Sept 12: Mass 9:00 am

Sept 12: Adoration following Mass

Sept 13: Mass 7:00 pm - St. Brieux

Sept 14: Mass 9:00 am - St. Brieux

Sept 14: Mass 4:00 pm - Kinistino

<p>Men's Bible Group</p> <p><i>Moving to</i></p> <p><i>Wednesdays at 7:00 pm</i></p> <p><i>Starting in September</i></p> <p>(In the meeting room at the Church)</p>
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Sunday, August 31st:	
Altar	Christine Bedard
Greeters & Gifts	Dale & Millie Weiman
Lay Leader/Prayers of Faithful	Richard Coquet
Lectors	Terry Valmont & Mely Igo
Communion - Bread & Cup	Jean Kernaleguen, Marc Mansiere, Dan Hunt
	David Rheaume
Children's Liturgy	Eva-Marie Kernalequen
Counters	Andre Assie, David Rheaume, Richard Coquet
Altar Servers	Raylan, Will, Luc
Vocation Cross	Ivone Hagel

St. Brioux Parish Mass Intentions

Tues. Aug 26	9:00 a.m.	+Agnes Coquet by Angela Binsfeld
Wed. Aug 27	9:00 a.m.	+Zyryl Alcaraz by Vangie Alcaraz
Thurs. Aug 28	9:00 a.m.	+Anne P. Kernaleguen by Christine & Edwin Bedard
Fri. Aug 29	9:00 a.m.	+Mathieu Assie by Richard Coquet & Marthe Rohel-Coquet
Sat. Aug 30	7:00 p.m.	+John Perrot by Philip & Jeannette Mansiere
Sun. Aug 31	9:00 a.m.	For all Parishioners

Mary, Mother of God Parish Mass Intentions

Sun. Aug 31	4:00 p.m.	+Mark Powalinsky - General Intention
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Collections

St. Brioux: (Includes Sunday Collection and Pre-Authorized Payments)

August 17th, 2025 - \$1,950.00

Mary, Mother of God:

August 17th, 2025 - \$295.00

Thank you!

Leaving a Legacy

REMEMBER YOUR CHURCH - By leaving a gift in your will or estate to St. Brioux Parish. The impact will be felt and remembered for generations. For more information, please contact the parish office at 306-275-2043

The Ill & Elderly ministry : Percy King. 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. Brioux 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.

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

“Christian perfection consists in the union of our will with the will of God.”

- St. Maximilian Kolbe

Dear Padre,

My wife mentioned that neither the Book of Mormon nor the Catholic Bible mentions purgatory. Please comment.

A not-uncommon frustration is when a person searches the Bible for a particular word or phrasing. Frankly, it is expecting too much from the religious text to be able to faithfully record a particular word or phrase that originated hundreds of years after the ancient text was composed. Purgatory is one such example of this frustration. The concept of purgatory is referenced in the biblical text, particularly in 2 Corinthians 5:10 and 7:1, Hebrews 9:27 and 12:14, and 2 Maccabees 12:46, but the word is never used.

This should come as no real surprise because it was not until the writings of St. Thomas Aquinas (1225–1274) that the concept was expanded and formed into a theological statement of belief that has become central to Roman Catholicism. And what is that belief? The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* is clear: “All who die in God’s grace and friendship, but still imperfectly purified, are indeed assured of their eternal salvation; but after death they undergo purification, so as to achieve the holiness necessary to enter the joy of heaven. The Church gives the name purgatory to this final purification of the elect, which is entirely different from the punishment of the damned” (CCC, 1030, 1031a). The Book of Mormon never references purgatory, but it does speak about the afterlife and the experience of “waiting” in the spirit world for the completion of earthly time. ●



SOULS IN PURGATORY BY LORENZO PERETTI / RENATA SEMANKOVA / SHUTTERSTOCK

Fr. Thomas M. Santa, CSsR / DearPadre.org



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A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

The narrow door is an image that could scare us, as if salvation is destined for only a select few, or for perfect people. But...a little further ahead, [Jesus] confirms, “Men will come from east and west, and from north and south, and sit at table in the kingdom of God.”

Therefore, this door is narrow, but is open to everyone!

ANGELUS, ROME, AUGUST 21, 2022

Monday

August 25

Weekday

1 Thes 1:1–5, 8b–10

Mt 23:13–22

Tuesday

August 26

Weekday

1 Thes 2:1–8

Mt 23:23–26

Wednesday

August 27

St. Monica

1 Thes 2:9–13

Mt 23:27–32

Thursday

August 28

St. Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

1 Thes 3:7–13

Mt 24:42–51

Friday

August 29

The Passion of St. John the Baptist

1 Thes 4:1–8

Mk 6:17–29

Saturday

August 30

Weekday

1 Thes 4:9–11

Mt 25:14–30

Sunday

August 31

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sir 3:17–18, 20, 28–29

Heb 12:18–19, 22–24a

Lk 14:1, 7–14

Stewardship: August 20th - 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

“For behold, some are last who will be first and some are first who will be last.” LUKE 13:30

Our cultural standards are different from God’s standards. We often rank people by what they have, how powerful they are, or how successful they are. Jesus reminds us that God will not judge us by the same earthly standards. When God asks you, “What have you done with the gifts I have given you?” How will you respond?

[www.https://resources.archstl.org/article/359120/stewardship-bulletin-inserts](https://resources.archstl.org/article/359120/stewardship-bulletin-inserts)

Vocation Corner: August 20th - 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

A Vocation View: Whom the Lord loves, He disciplines. The best way to lead others through the narrow gate is to be formed and disciplined as a leader. Then you can go through the narrow gate, yourself.

Prayer: That all those striving to enter heaven through the narrow gate of celibacy for the sake of Christ’s kingdom will find strength and peace in their freely chosen discipline, we pray to the Lord.

Action: One thing I would like people to do in their discernment is to find a spiritual director who is compassionate to them and is willing to help them to find the community which is good for them. Don't forget to pray to God for his guidance.

A wealth of vocation information is available at usccb.org, the website of the US Bishops

THE JUBILEE PRAYER

Father in heaven,
may the faith you have given us
in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother,
and the flame of charity enkindled
in our hearts by the Holy Spirit,
reawaken in us the blessed hope
for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us
into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel.
May those seeds transform from within
both humanity and the whole cosmos
in the sure expectation
of a new heaven and a new earth,
when, with the powers of Evil vanquished,
your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee
reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope,
a yearning for the treasures of heaven.

May that same grace spread
the joy and peace of our Redeemer
throughout the earth.

To you our God, eternally blessed,
be glory and praise for ever.

Amen



Mass of Thanksgiving



Bishop Stephen A. Hero warmly invites you to join in celebrating a Mass of Thanksgiving in honour of the recent papal recognition of Msgr. Maurice Fiolleau named “Chaplain to His Holiness” by Pope Francis, receiving the title of Monsignor.

Friday, September 12, 2025
Sacred Heart Cathedral, Prince Albert, SK
Eucharist at 6:30pm

Lunch and Refreshments to follow at Ecole St. Mary High School Commons area (located across the street from the Cathedral)

Please RSVP number of people attending from each parish by Friday September 5 to plan for the lunch.
Contact Frances at the Diocesan Center at (306) 922-4747 ext: 0

Voices of Hope:

A Jubilee Year Community Choir Experience

Sunday, September 14, 2025



In celebration of the Jubilee Year, *Voices of Hope* is a one-of-a-kind community choir event at **Sacred Heart Cathedral** that invites ****everyone****—no singing experience required—to come together and create something beautiful through music. **All ages welcome!** Children under 12 accompanied by a guardian!

In just two hours, **from 2pm-4pm**, participants will learn 3–4 uplifting songs centered on the theme of ****Hope****, including one simple multi-part piece (SAB or SSA). With guidance from experienced facilitators, Brock and Kayleigh Skomorowski, we'll explore our voices, enjoy the joy of singing together, and form a choir for the afternoon.

The event will conclude with a short performance in the Cathedral—open to the public and recorded—sharing our collective song of hope with the wider community.

Whether you're a shower singer, a former choir kid, church choir member or simply curious, this is a warm and welcoming space to sing, connect, and celebrate.



Please register how many will be attending to Heidi Epp at the Liturgy Office by Thursday September 11, 2025: liturgy@padiocese.ca

SEPTEMBER 27

CALLING ALL WHO SHARE FAITH TO A JUBILEE CELEBRATION FOR CATECHISTS

**10:00 A.M. TO 3:00 P.M.
AT ST. JOSEPH PARISH
IN PRINCE ALBERT**

ALL WHO SHARE FAITH IN THE PARISH ARE INVITED
THOSE JOURNEYING IN FAITH WITH CHILDREN, YOUTH AND ADULTS

THERE WILL BE OPPORTUNITIES FOR GETTING TO KNOW BETTER YOUR LOCAL DEANERY PEERS
OVER COFFEE, LUNCH AND OTHER ACTIVITIES

THERE WILL BE ONE PRESENTATION ON OUR ROLE AS PILGRIMS OF HOPE
WHICH WILL PROVIDE INSPIRATION AND IDEAS FOR THE UPCOMING MINISTRY YEAR



REGISTER TODAY AND HAVE YOUR CO-CATECHISTS REGISTER TOO BY SCANNING THE QR-CODE



JUBILEE OF CATECHISTS

Contact Nicole for more information or to register at 306-922-4747 extension 228 or via email at ecassistant@padiocese.ca

SEPTEMBER 14 2025 3 PM
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Jubilee Pilgrimage

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**KEYNOTE: BISHOP BRYAN BAYDA,
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