



[Jesus said,]
“For where
two or three
are gathered
together in my
name, there
am I in the
midst of them.”

MATTHEW 18:20

Like a Gentile or a Tax Collector

ANN M. GARRIDO

As someone who works in the field of conflict management, I like to think that all situations can be worked out if we go about it in a skilled manner. If we use the right words. Ask the right kinds of questions. It’s embarrassing to admit that even the best “tools” in my “conflict belt” sometimes still effect little change. Today’s gospel can be consoling in a strange way. It acknowledges that even when we use all the tools we have on hand to heal a relationship, it doesn’t always work out. Sometimes, we may need to become strangers to one another, at least for a while—like a Jew to a Gentile or a tax collector.

Of course, when Jesus says “treat him as you would a Gentile or a tax collector,” it is important to consider how Jesus treated Gentiles and tax collectors. He healed the centurion’s servant. He ate in Zacchaeus’ house. Jesus did not see Gentiles and tax collectors as enemies and did not treat them as such. Rather, Jesus understood Gentiles and tax collectors as those with whom he might start a relationship should the opportunity present itself. The past cannot be rewritten, but perhaps a different kind of future is still possible.

Is there a relationship in your life that feels beyond healing at this point and from which perhaps you need some distance? Is it still possible to treat the other person with the kindness Jesus showed toward Gentiles and tax collectors? ●



LEARN ABOUT
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Reflect

Could I improve how I handle conflict with others?

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St. Brieux Parish Office Hours

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

Denise: Office hours: Tuesday 8:30 am – 4:00 pm

Bulletin and information is available on the website: stbrieuxparish.ca and our Facebook page: **St. Brieux Catholic Church.**

St. Brieux Parish Mass Times:

Adoration/Reconciliation – 1st Friday of Month – following mass

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
-1st 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

Sept 8:	No Mass – Fr Tru Day Off
Sept 9:	Mass 9:00 am
Sept 10:	Mass 10:00 am (St. Brieux Manor)
Sept 11:	Mass 9:00 am
Sept 12:	Mass 7:00 pm
Sept 13:	Mass 9:00 am (St. Brieux) Mass 4:00 pm (Kinistino)

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sept 15:	Mass 9:00 am Parish Council Mtg 7:00 pm
Sept 16:	Mass 9:00 am
Sept 17:	Mass 10:00 am (St. Brieux Manor)
Sept 18:	Mass 9:00 am
Sept 19:	Mass 7:00 pm
Sept 20:	Mass 9:00 am (St. Brieux) Mass 4:00 pm (Kinistino)

“Give us, O Lord, a steadfast heart, which no unworthy affection may drag downwards; give us an unconquered heart, which no tribulation can wear out; give us an upright heart, which no unworthy purpose may tempt aside. Bestow upon us also, O Lord our God, understanding to know you, diligence to seek you, wisdom to find you, and a faithfulness that may finally embrace you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.”

~ St. Thomas Aquinas

St. Brieux Parish Mass Intentions

Tues. Sept 8	No Mass	
Wed. Sept 9	Mass 9:00 am	+Kevin Mudrik By Edwin & Christine Bedard
Thurs. Sept 10	Mass 10:00 am St. Brieux Manor	+Marie Gregoire By Rick Coquet & Marthe Rohel-Coquet
Fri. Sept 11	Mass 9:00 am	+John Perrot By Claude & Ann Gueguen
Sat. Sept 12	Mass 7:00 pm	+Mathieu Assié By André & Ramona Assié And Family
Sun. Sept 13	Mass 9:00 am	All Parishioners

Mary, Mother of God Parish Mass Intentions

Sun. Sept 13	Mass 4:00 pm	+Alfred & Rita Soulier By the Soulier Family
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Regular Collections

St. Brieux: (Includes Sunday Collection and Automatic Deposits)

Aug 30, 2026 - \$ 1,123.20

Mary, Mother of God:

Aug 30, 2026 - \$ 380.00

Leaving a Legacy:

REMEMBER YOUR CHURCH - By leaving a gift in your will or estate to St. Brieux 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. 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.

Prayer for Priests

LORD, lift 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.

Sunday, Sept 13- 9:00 am Ministries		(If you are unable to do your ministry, please find a replacement)
Altar	Denise Bortis	
Greeters & Gifts	Helen Pataueg & Mely Igo	
Lay Leader/Prayers of Faithful	Michelle Piatt	
Lectors	Ryan Kwiatkowski, Mavrick Kwiatkowski	
Communion - Bread & Cup	Terry Valmont, Marc Mansiere, Dan Hunt, David Rheaume	
Children's Liturgy	Irene Piatt	
Counters	Andre Assié, David Rheaume, Richard Coquet	
Altar Servers	Eve, Maria, Vince	
Vocation Cross	Percy King	

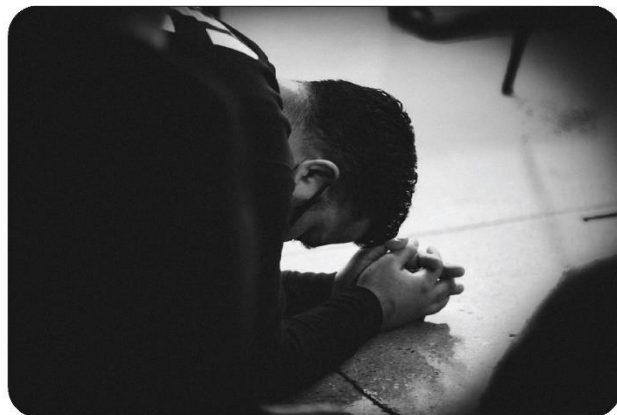
Dear Padre,

I had not been to confession for decades until recently, and I've probably committed mortal sins I can't remember. I want God's forgiveness, but I'm unsure how to get it at this time.

You ask if God has forgiven you for sins that you may have committed in the past but that you don't remember now. You say you have been to confession recently.

A mortal sin has three criteria: it is seriously wrong; the person knows it is seriously wrong; and the person is free to commit the sin or not. In the case you are describing, you don't even remember what the mortal sin might have been, or even if there was one. So, no, you don't have to confess something you don't remember. Also, you have already gone to confession recently, and you sound truly repentant for your past sins. You do not indicate that you were deliberately trying to hide any sins from the priest. So, you have already been forgiven, not only for the sins you remembered but also for those you don't remember. That is why usually we will say something like "for these sins and for those I may have forgotten" when we go to confession.

The bottom line is that confession is for you to experience God's mercy. It is not to test how good your memory is. Be at peace. God loves you and particularly wants you to experience the peace that comes from his forgiveness. ●



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A WORD FROM POPE LEO XIV

The Church is at the same time an earthly community and the mystical body of Christ, a visible assembly and a spiritual mystery, a reality present in history and a people journeying toward heaven (Lumen Gentium, 8; Catechism of the Catholic Church, 771). The human and divine

dimensions integrate harmoniously, without one overshadowing the other.... [The Church] is a reality that is both human and divine.

**GENERAL AUDIENCE,
ROME, MARCH 4, 2026**

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Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to DearPadre.org to send your question and to learn more about *Dear Padre*.

Monday

September 7

Weekday

1 Cor 5:1-8

Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday

September 8

The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Mi 5:1-4a or

Rom 8:28-30

Mt 1:1-16, 18-23

or 1:18-23

Wednesday

September 9

St. Peter Claver, Priest

1 Cor 7:25-31

Lk 6:20-26

Thursday

September 10

Weekday

1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13

Lk 6:27-38

Friday

September 11

Weekday

1 Cor 9:16-19,

22b-27

Lk 6:39-42

Saturday

September 12

Weekday

1 Cor 10:14-22

Lk 6:43-49

Sunday

September 13

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sir 27:30-28:7

Rom 14:7-9

Mt 18:21-35

Vocation Corner: Sept 6th – 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

A Vocation View: How much would the world be changed if everyone were completely forgiving? Probably totally! Jesus' stories of forgiveness are so loved because they are so needed. Re-tell them! Re-live them!

Prayer: For a deeper participation among families in prayer for vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life among their children, knowing that Christ is in their midst, we pray to the Lord.

Action: THE LOVING ENVIRONMENT of a family draws forth an individual's greatest talents and gifts. We've come to realize that creating an atmosphere in which children can hear the Lord's call is one of the most significant responsibilities resting on our shoulders as parents. Our own lives must reflect the presence of God, His Word, and the love He offers His people.

Stewardship: Sept 6th – 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

"You, son of man, I have appointed watchman for the house of Israel..." - EZEKIEL 33:7

Many of us are generous with our gifts. However, many of us are not generous in proportion to the gifts we have been given. How often do we give at the minimum level required? Remember, the Lord calls us to nurture and develop our gifts and to give back with increase. He calls us to be generous with all the gifts, especially the one that means the most to us.

MEN'S SUPPORT GROUP

(Lectio Divina)

Wednesdays at 7:00 pm in the meeting room.

Next Meeting – Sept 9th

WOMEN'S SUPPORT GROUP

(Lectio Divina)

Thursdays at 7:00 pm in the meeting room.

Next meeting – Sept 10th



Bread and Cup Ministers/Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Holy communion

Our parish would very much appreciate more **BREAD AND CUP MINISTERS!** If you feel called to serve in this ministry, please give your name to Fr. Tru Le or Denise Bortis at the parish office.

A meeting will be held at the Parish Centre on Sept. 29, 2026 at 7:00 pm, for the current ministers and the new ministers.

"At the Threshold of Grace" is a conference for Catholic men and women, just like you. Our keynote speakers, Peter and Debbie Herbeck, will draw from the depth of our Catholic faith to discover the unstoppable river of living water that heals stagnation, resurrects what is lifeless, and empowers you to overflow with abundant fruit for God's glory.

On October 16 – 17, step boldly forward to be equipped and rise as a mighty fountain of hope, of peace, and of the life-changing Gospel of Jesus Christ.

To register and for more information, head to: [**"BoatsOnFire.net"**](http://BoatsOnFire.net)



Ecclesiastes 3:1: "for everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven."

Heavenly Father,

As we welcome this new month of September, we thank You for the gift of life and for all the blessings You continue to give us.

Guide our steps, strengthen our faith, and fill our hearts with peace, hope, and love.

May this month bring new opportunities, answered prayers, and abundant grace.

Protect our families and loved ones. Help us to trust in Your plans, especially in times of difficulty, and to remain faithful to You each day.

May the Blessed Virgin Mary accompany us and lead us always closer to Jesus.

May September be a month of grace, blessings, healing, and renewed faith.

Through Christ our Lord.

Amen ♥