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WEEKLY REFLECTION

Familiarity Breeds Contempt

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As the saying goes, "familiarity breeds contempt". In today's Gospel, the people of his hometown do not recognize Jesus in his true identity. Perhaps they were too familiar with his family's role in local business and town politics, and probably knew some of the personal histories – the human side of living in a small town.

And what is Jesus true identity that they are missing? He came to perfectly fulfill the Old Testament roles of priest, prophet and king. He is the High Priest for all ages, who will sacrifice and make intercession on our behalf. He is the ultimate Prophet, forever calling humanity to reconciliation with God. He is king, since "all things came to be through him" (John 1:3), he is Lord of the universe. The healings he performs are a sign of this tri-part identity.

When we were baptized, we were given the tremendous gift of being baptized "into Christ", which means given a share in his mission and identity. Even though there is still an ordained priesthood in the Church, we are therefore also priestly, which means called to make intercession and sacrifice for the world. We are also prophetic, called, in our homes and workplaces, to witness to the truth of God. And finally, all the baptized are kingly, royal we might say, because of the great dignity we are given by virtue of being sons and daughters of the King. We are called to help ennoble or elevate the lives of those around us.

In the Gospel today, Jesus finds it difficult to do "deeds of power" in his hometown, because the people find it hard to accept him as priest, prophet and king. Yet even so he heals a few sick people. Perhaps familiarity does not always have "breed contempt", but can also be the ground of affection, trust and devotion. As we grow in familiarity with Christ, we will find him trust-worthy, and our faith in him will be the basis of his working miracles in our lives.

MASS INTENTIONS

Holy Mass can be gifted and reserved inside of the Visitor Office.

Sunday, July 7

09:00 Maria & Jose Ferriera †
10:30 Pasquale Cilurzo †
12:00 Dino De Lazzari †
15:00 Mary A. Thomas †
19:30 Pope Francis, et al.

Monday, July 8

10:30 Tran Family
12:00 Tran Family
15:00 Ngo Family
19:30 Mother Mary

Tuesday, July 9

10:30 Theo & Cis van Heuver
12:00 Villavarayan Family †, et al.
15:00 Gabriel M. Andallo
19:30 Haena K. Tamayo

Wednesday, July 10

10:30 Eva Chin & Family
12:00 Tran Family
15:00 Caesar Ryzutto †
19:30 Daniel Wesley †

Thursday, July 11

10:30 Halka Lapska
12:00 Robert Solivo †
15:00 Seemampillai Family
19:30 Kostka Stainslaus

Friday, July 12

10:30 Jack & Patricia Brennan †
12:00 Anne Shiley
15:00 Sophie Leitao †
19:30 Thomas L. Real

Saturday, July 13

09:00 Geethika Punnooran
10:30 Thomas Joseph & Family
12:00 Ruth & Ovide Coté Family
15:00 Reanudy Real
19:30 Mehta Real

WEEKEND ACTIVITIES

Guided Tour	1pm
Rosary	2pm
Stations of the Cross	3pm



SEASON 2024 | EVENT CALENDAR

SPECIAL EVENTS

MARCH

- ★ 29 Good Friday (*Outdoor Stations of the Cross*)

MAY

- ★ 4 Opening Day Celebrations
- 12 Mother's Day Celebrations
- 12 World Youth Day Reunion Mass
- 26 St. Michael's Boys Choir School Mass

JUNE

- 1 Byzantine Romanian Mission
- 2 Friendship Gardens Blessing & Corpus Christi Procession
- 12 Spring Gala Night (*held in Toronto*)
- 16 Father's Day Celebrations
- 21 Indigenous People's Day

JULY

- 1 Canada Day
- 27 Shrine Family Day
- ★ 31 Feast of St. Ignatius Loyola

AUGUST

- 2 Joseph Chiwatenwha Day (*Prayer Walk*)
- 12 Memorial Mass at Caragouha

SEPTEMBER

- 15 40th Anniversary of the visit of Pope John Paul II
- 21 Fall Gala Night (*held in Midland*)
- ★ 28 Feast of the Canadian Martyrs (*Shrine Observance*)
- 29 Healing Mass & Anointing of the Sick

OCTOBER

- 2 Healing Mass & Anointing of the Sick
- 14 Closing Day

PILGRIMAGES

JUNE

- 1-2 Czech
- 8 Vietnamese
- 8-9 Slovak
- 9 Blessed Trinity
- 14 Archdiocese of Toronto
- 15 First Nations
- 16 Belarusian
- 22 Ukrainian
- 29 Korean

JULY

- 6 Syro Malabar & Konkan
- 7 Holy Crucifixion
- 13 Chinese & India-Pakistan
- 14 Sri Lankan
- 20 Tamil
- 21 Croatian
- 28 St. James Kayts

AUGUST

- 3 Filipino
- 9-11 Polish
- 10 Guelph
- 17 Hispanic, Irish, Goan, St. Josephine Bakhita (*African*)

SEPTEMBER

- 1 Albanian
- 7 Hungarian & Slovenian
- 8 Dolorosa (*Our Lady of Sorrows*) & Rosary Sunday
- 28 University Students

OCTOBER

- 12 Portuguese

NOVEMBER

- 10 Veterans



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ADMISSION RATES

- Regular Admission \$10
- Youth (0-18 yrs), Indigenous (*Status Card*), Veterans (*Veteran's Service Card*), Ontario Teachers (*Ontario Teacher's College Card*) Free
- 2024 Season's Pass (5 people entry - pass holder + up to 4 guests) \$75

★ Free Admission Days