

AUGUST / SEPTEMBER, 2020							GREGORIAN
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
23 Brandon: 9 am Portage: 12 pm  12 <sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost	24	25	26 Brandon: 10 am	27 Brandon: 10 am	28  Brandon: 10 am	29  Brandon: 5 pm Private Intention for Savoie Family Offering: Bobby MacKalski & Family  Beheading of John the Baptist	
30 Brandon: 9 am Portage: 12 pm  13 <sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost	31 Deposition of Cincture of the Blessed Virgin Mary	01	02 Brandon: 10 am	03 Brandon: 10 am	04  Brandon: 10 am Bishop Velychkovsky Prayer Group Service	05 Brandon: 5 pm Private Intention Marlene & Barbara MacKalski Offering: Bobby MacKalski & Family	

### *The Danger of Riches*

One day, an Indian boy found a large pearl. It represented the fulfillment of all his hopes and dreams. His days of hardship and toil would be over. He would never have to work again. But, when he tried to sell the pearl, his real problems began. Buyers tried to trick him, bandits tried to attack him, and even his friends tried to manipulate him. Possessing great wealth was nothing like he expected it would be, so he took the pearl and threw it back into sea.

The boy in this story is quite a contrast to the young man of whom Jesus spoke in the Gospel reading for this Sunday. Jesus spoke of a young man who desired to be justified by God. He had faithfully kept all the commandments, but Jesus told him that there

was one thing he still needed to do: sell all he had and give to the poor. With that, the young man went away saddened because he was not able to easily part with all his possessions. Jesus then spoke one of His most enduring statements, "It will be easier for a camel to pass through the needles eye, than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God." (Matthew 21:24)

What type of hold do our possessions have on us? Are we willing to share what we have with others, including our time, our talents, as well as our treasure? Everything that we have is a gift from God, which must be freely shared with others as a gift. Our Lord Himself tells us, "The gifts you have freely received, now give as a gift." (Matthew 10:8)

## TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



*Icon of the Rich Young Ruler and Christ (Matthew 19:16-26)*

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**ROSARY AND CONFESSIONS**

One-half hour before Saturday and Sunday Liturgies.

**EMERGENCY**

Phone Fr. Michael at: Res: (204) 729-8056  
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**DIVINE LITURGIES**

Wednesday - Friday - 9:00 AM  
Saturday (English) - 5:00 PM  
Sunday (Bilingual) - 9:00 AM

<u>DATE</u>	<u>READER</u>	<u>USHERS</u>	<u>SACRISTAN</u>	<u>GREETER</u>
	T. Yuriy	S. Kachur / M. Sheeshka	L. Makwaychuk	S. Baranyk
	S. Sheeshka	D. Federowich / D. Kostiw	N. Zemliak	L. Olisnevych
	B. MacKalski	L. Halchyshak / A. Todosichuk	I. Dyakiv	B. McKay
	H. Lazaruk	R. Kuszak / B. McKay	L. Makwaychuk	O. Stevenson

**COLLECTIONS AND DONATIONS:**

Saturday, Aug 15 (No Service)	\$	---
Sunday, Aug 16	\$	70.00
Total	\$	70.00
Candles	\$	10.00

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT - JUNE, 2020**

Total Credits:	\$	9,164.84
Total Debits:	\$	5,379.44

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 23, 2020**

**QUOTE OF THE DAY**

"As long as you are proud you cannot know God. A proud man is always looking down on thing and people: and, of course, as long as you are looking down you cannot see something that is above you."  
- C.S. Lewis, Mere Christianity

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**POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION (AUGUST 2020)**

Universal prayer intention - The Maritime World: We pray for all those who work and live from the sea, among them sailors, fishermen and their families.

**CHURCH CLOSURE**

The COVID-19 infection rate in Brandon is being monitored daily to determine if they are declining and it is safe to reopen the church to the public again. The latest guideline from the Province for the Prairie Mountain Health Region prescribe wearing of masks in public establishments. This will include our church as well. When registering to attend on opening day, please acquire a mask for this purpose. The social distancing rules will still apply until the province rescinds this rule.

- Fr. Michael

**BURSARIES FOR THE 2020-2021 ACADEMIC YEAR**

The Canon Luhovy Assembly Ukrainian Educational Foundation is pleased to announce that fifteen bursaries of \$300.00 each are available to Ukrainian Catholic students, seminarians and religious sisters of the Archeparchy of Winnipeg who attend post-secondary institutions, seminaries and private Catholic secondary schools. Please see Fr. Michael for a copy of the Application Form. When completed, please forward to the address noted on the application by September 30, 2020. Please contact Leonard Mariash at 204-668-4358 or email [1mariash@mts.net](mailto:1mariash@mts.net) for more information.

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**QUESTIONS CATHOLICS ASK**

**What is the purpose of the Eternal Light?**

This is a question regarding respect for the Blessed Sacrament. The Blessed Sacrament, as you know, is the real presence of Jesus under the appearance of Bread (Holy Communion). The point is, if we believe that it is really our Blessed Lord, we should treat Him with the deepest respect. The Blessed Sacrament is kept in our tabernacle upon the altar and as a sign that He is there, we have the sanctuary lamp burning. People coming to church cross themselves and make a deep bow to Him in the tabernacle. The Roman Catholics genuflect on one knee and then go to their benches and pray, speak to Him there on our altar. We never cross the church from left to right or right to

left without making a bow (Metania) to Him in the tabernacle. Of course, those that do not believe behave disrespectfully and talk aloud in church, whistle, joke, smoke ... Catholics never.

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**REALITY – HOW TRUE THIS IS**

Imagine you were born in 1900. When you are 14, World War I begins and ends when you are 18, with 22 million dead. Soon after, a global pandemic. The Spanish Flu appears, killing 50 million people, and you are alive and 18 years old. When you are 29, you suffer the global economic crisis that started with the collapse of the New York Stock Exchange, causing inflation, unemployment and famine. When you are 33 years old, the Nazis come into power. When you are 39, World War II begins and ends when you are 45 years old, with 60 million dead. In the Holocaust, 6 million Jews died. When you are 52, the Korean War begins. When you are 64, the Vietnam War begins and ends when you are 75. A child born in 1985 thinks his grandparents have no idea how difficult life is, but they have survived several wars and catastrophes. Today we have all the comforts in our new world, amid a new pandemic. But we complain because we need to wear masks. We complain because we must stay confined to our homes where we have food, electricity, running water, Wifi and even Netflix. None of that existed back in the day. But humanity survived those circumstances and never lost the joy of living. A small change in our perspective can generate miracles. We should be thankful that we are alive. We should do everything we need to do to protect and help each other.

- Credit: Merin Joseph

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**HUMOR**

What's the best way to avoid touching your face?  
Hold a glass of wine in each hand.

If there's a baby boom nine months from now, what will happen in 2033? There will be a whole bunch of quaranteens. ©