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#### This bulletin is for the whole month of August 2025

## August 3, 2025: 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time "Take care to guard against all kinds of greed."



Today's readings warn us that possessions can assume such importance in life that they become obsessions, and we forget the place of God in our life. The voices of society tell us that financial success is the yardstick that determines the worth of a person. Jesus however asks us to identify what is most valuable in our lives. Life is to be about honouring God and all of God's creation, and the human family. Every time we get involved in our parish community events or support charities, we are living the spirit of today's readings.

Saturday, August 2 Sunday, August 3 Wednesday, August 6 9 am Thursday, August 7 7 pm No Mass

Liturgy of the Word with Communion

+ Suzie Lagace - Claude Lagace & Bernadette Lagace + Father Michael Krochak - Lucille & Gilles Lavallee

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

# August 10, 2025: 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time "Have your lamps lit."

In the Gospel today, Jesus tells his tale of the householder who went off to the wedding feast, and his message is: Faithfulness. When he was on earth, he promised that he would come again. The early Christians thought it would be a matter of months, or at most a year or two. Time has gone by, yet it is still a reality. If it happens in our life time, shall we be ready? Shall I want time for some moral tidying-up of my life? The teaching of Jesus is that I cannot rely on



this. He expects us to be faithful with our lamps lit. We are called by God to share our faith. As parents, choosing to baptize your children and practicing the faith with them, this is how to keep our lamps lit. Let us ask God to help us to be faithful, for deep down we know what our Master wants.

Saturday, August 9
Sunday, August 10

4 pm
+ Bishop Antoine Hacault – Father Gabriel Levesque
+ Suzie Lagace – Claude Lagace & Bernadette Lagace
+ Roland Lavallee – Lucille & Gilles Lavallee

Thursday, August 14

7 pm
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Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, August 15 – This Marian feast celebrates Mary being taken up body and soul into heaven at the end of her earthly life.

Queenship of Mary, August 22 – On the octave of the Assumption, the Church celebrates Mary as Queen of Heaven because she is the Mother of God.

O Lord, as we offer homage and respect to the Blessed Virgin Mary, your Mother and the Queen of Heaven, we pray that, through her intercession, our hearts may be aflame with the fire of love and that we may constantly long for you!

**SAINT HYACINTH, August 16** – We acknowledge and celebrate the patron saint of our parish, Saint Hyacinth, for the model of life and zeal he offers us. May we, like him, hold the Blessed Virgin Mary dear to our heart and be reverent of the Holy Eucharist. May Saint Hyacinth pray and intercede for us and ask the Lord God for health and protection of our families and community. *Saint Hyacinth, pray for us!* 

### August 17, 2025: 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time "I have come to bring fire to the earth."



The fire that Jesus wants to see blazing in the world is the fire of God's love and enlightening and warming the hearts of all people. Jesus is speaking to people who are used to hearing a fire as a sign of the presence of God. One can think of Moses at the burning bush, when he was told to take off his shoes for he was on holy ground. And also now we can think of the flames that came down on the Apostles at Pentecost as a visible sign of the Holy Spirit touching and filling their lives. How will we open our hearts to the fire of God's love? The voice of Jesus speaks to our generation. We are to

keep our eyes fixed on Christ, how he lived and what he said. Looking for that in today's world is the true way of discipleship.

Saturday, August 16 4 pm + Franz Kames – Annemarie Kames & family
Sunday, August 17 \*\*No Mass – Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Grotto in St Malo
Wednesday, Aug. 20 9 am + Suzie Lagace – Funeral Offerings
Thursday, August 21 7 pm Special Intention – A Parishioner

## August 24, 2025: 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time "Some who are now last will be first, and some



**now first will be last."** In the eyes of Jesus, every person is of infinite worth whatever his or her ethinicity, culture or religion. God wants everyone to enjoy his glory. But salvation is not given automatically; we must do our part now. The Gospel carries a caution: salvation is difficult to attain if we presume we are in God's good graces. Jesus refuses to answer the perennial question, "How many will be saved?" We are not to be inquisitive about others' relationship to God, but concerned about our own. If we are familiar with Jesus' teaching but do not translate it into practice, we may find that the Lord has already locked the door leading to the banquet of eternal happiness. Let us remember that every person is infinitely loved by God, and may we see God's love and promise of salvation in all.

Saturday August 23 4 pm + Claude (Pit) Lagace – Funeral Offerings Sunday August 24 11 am Parishioners' Intentions – Father Gabriel Wednesday, Aug. 27 9 am + Michel Lavallee – Funeral Offerings Thursday, Aug. 28 7 pm + Maurice Lavallee – Funeral Offerings

#### St. Hyacinthe Parish News

- **❖ Catechism Program:** Register now for the 2025-2026 Sunday classes! Please contact Patricia Rousseau 204-510-6160 or <a href="mailto:sthyacinthecatechism@gmail.com">sthyacinthecatechism@gmail.com</a> for info and registration. New registrations are available in the church entrance. Parent meeting and welcome on **Sunday, September 14th**!
- ❖ Volunteers Sign-up sheets: Please sign up for ministries during the summer. Sheet is in the church entrance.
- ❖ Welcome Back & Anniversary: The Parish is celebrating 135 years as a Parish and the 110<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of our Church building! A Welcome Back BBQ and Anniversary Celebrations will be held Sunday, October 5<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Remember in Your Prayers**

- For all who are currently experiencing illness, anxiety or worry, that the Holy Spirit will give them courage and help them to be open to rest in God's healing presence.
- For a spirit of gratitude, that we may appreciate all the gifts that God has given us and become rich through words of faith, attitudes of hope and deeds of charity.
- We pray for societies where coexistence seems more difficult, that they might not succumb to the temptation of confrontation of ehnic, political, religious or ideological reasons. (Pope's prayer intention for August)

<u>Marriage Tip</u> – Summer is the time for fun! Attend an outdoor movie with your spouse or plan a picnic in your backyard. Or find a barbeque or festival in your area and attend it with your spouse!

<u>Did You Know?</u> – "I have been Pastor of St. Hyacinthe Parish for 6 years now (Aug. 1, 2019). I am pleased and honoured to be asked to continue as your parish priest for another 3 years. I pray daily for you, for your happiness, peace and health. Please also pray for me. May we continue to grow together in faith and in loving respect of God and each other.