

**JUNE 28, 2020 THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**MASSES FOR THIS WEEK**

***Saturday, June 27th***

Bl. Nykyta Budka and Vasyl Velychkovsky

St. Cyril of Alexandria

4:30 Special intention for Gary Cross by Maureen and Ron Blizchuk

***Sunday, June 28th***

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:30 Elizabeth Pilley by Kathleen Toomey

***Monday, June 29th***

St. Peter and St. Paul, apostles

9:00 Albert Liston by Frances deVerteuil

***Tuesday, June 30th***

The First martyrs of the Holy Roman Church

9:00 For a Special Intention

***Wednesday, July 1st***

Canada Day

9:00 John Pepper by Fr. MacEachen

***Thursday, July 2nd***

9:00 Lorraine Boychuk by her Friends

***Friday, July 3rd***

St. Thomas, apostle

9:00 Olga Stanimir by Fr. MacEachen

***Saturday, July 4th***

St. Elizabeth of Portugal

4:30 Gabor de Heinrich by MaryLou and Antonio Sacconaghi

## REFLECTION

Today's readings take us back to some basics of stewardship living and demonstrate the genius of this way of life

Our First Reading, from 2 Kings, shows us the necessity and power of hospitality. It recounts the story of a woman who showed loving hospitality to a visitor, inviting him to dinner with her family and arranging a room for him in their home so that he would have a comfortable place to stay during his travels through her town. She reached out to the man in a simple and practical manner to make him feel welcome and was rewarded in an extraordinary way.

In our Second Reading, from the Letter to the Romans, St. Paul reminds us of the power of our Baptism and how this sacrament makes us disciples. What does that mean for us here and now? St. Paul tells us very clearly: "You must think of yourselves as dead to sin and living for God in Christ Jesus." We must live for Christ! Nothing less will do.

Our Lord proclaims this same instruction in a rather shocking way in our Gospel passage from Matthew: "Whoever finds his life [by living for oneself] will lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it." But how do we lose our life? Precisely through loving actions towards others, loving them as if they were Christ. "Whoever gives only a cup of cold water to one of these little ones to drink because the little one is a disciple... he will surely not lose his reward."

The simple brilliance of stewardship living? Only our infinitely creative, compassionate God could conceive it!

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS- OTHER INFO

### **Personally Directed Retreats Online**

The Villa Saint Martin Team will facilitate 3-8 Day Guided Retreats between **June 29 to July 7, 2020 or July 10-17, 2020**. Depending on your availability and needs, when registering please choose a timeframe for desired length (3, 5 or 8 days) within the offered dates. These virtual retreats are guided by the dynamics of the Spiritual Exercises of Saint Ignatius of Loyola. You will be put in touch with a person who will be able to accompany you as your guide during this period. Each day of your retreat, you can have a meeting over Zoom or Skype with your spiritual guide. Cost: 25\$/Day. To register or for more information send email to: [contact@villasaintmartin.org](mailto:contact@villasaintmartin.org)