

The Church's Year – Rev. Fr Leonard Goffine

(For the Epistle 1 Peter 3:8-15)

How can and how should we sanctify the Lord in our hearts?

By practicing those virtues which Peter here recommends, and which he so exactly describes; for thereby we become true disciples of Christ, honour Him and edify others, who by our good example are led to admire Christianity, and to become His followers. Moreover, we thus render ourselves more worthy of God's grace and protection, so that if for justice' sake we are persecuted by wicked men, we need not fear, because God is for us and will reward us with eternal happiness.

Aspiration: O good Saviour, Jesus Christ, grant that I may make Thy virtues my own, especially Thy humility, patience, mercy, and love; grant that I may practice them diligently, that I may glorify Thee, sanctify myself, and thus become worthy of Thy protection.

Instruction on Sacrifice – Offer thy gift (Mt. 5:24)

In its wider and more universal sense sacrifice comprehends all religious actions by which a rational being presents himself to God, to be united with Him; and in this sense prayer, praising God, a contrite heart, charity to others, every good work, and observance of God's commandments is a sacrifice. Thus the Holy Scriptures say: Offer up the sacrifice of justice and trust in the Lord (Ps. 4:6). Offer to God the sacrifice of praise (Ps. 49:14). Sacrifice to God is an afflicted spirit; a contrite and humble heart, O God, thou wilt not despise (Ps. 1:19). It is a wholesome sacrifice to take heed to the commandments, and to depart from all iniquity (Ecclus. 35:2). "Therefore," says St Augustine, "every good work which is united in sanctity with God, is a true sacrifice, because it refers to the end of all good, to God, by whom we can be truly happy." As often, then, as you humble yourself in prayer before the majesty of God, when you give yourself up to God, and when you make your will subject to His divine will, you bring a sacrifice to God; as often as you punish your body by continency, and your senses by mortification, you bring a sacrifice to God, because you offer them as instruments of justice; (Rom. 6:13) as often as you subdue the evil concupiscence of the flesh, the perverted inclinations of your soul, deny yourself any worldly pleasure for the love of God, you bring a sacrifice to God. Such sacrifices you should daily offer to God; without which all others have no value and do not please God, such as these you can make every moment, when you think, speak, and act all for the love of God.

Strive then, Christian soul, to offer these pleasing sacrifices to God, the supreme Lord, and as you thus glorify Him, so will He one day reward you with unutterable glory.

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Confessions:

Sundays: 7:20-7:50am; 9:50-10:20am

Thursdays: 10:30-10:50am

First Fridays: 6:30-6:50pm

Saturdays: 8:30-8:50am

Liturgical Offices	
Sunday 27th June: Fifth Sunday after Pentecost (II cl) <i>Our Lady of Perpetual Help</i>	
6:45 am	Low Mass
8:00 am	Low Mass
9:15 am	Low Mass
10:30 am	Low Mass
5:30 pm	Vespers, Rosary and Benediction
Second Collection School	
Monday 28th June: Vigil of the Apostles Ss Peter & Paul (II cl)	
7:15 am	Low Mass
9:00 am	Low Mass
5:30 pm	Vespers and Rosary followed by Low Mass
Tuesday 29th June: Ss Peter & Paul, Apostles (I cl)	
5:45 am	Low Mass
7:00 am	Sung Mass
9:00 am	Low Mass
6:00 pm	Vespers, Rosary and Benediction followed by Low Mass
Wednesday 30th June: Commemoration of St Paul, Apostle (III cl) <i>St Peter</i>	
5:45 am	Low Mass
7.15 am	Low Mass
9:00 am	Low Mass
6:00pm	Rosary followed by Low Mass
Thursday 1st July: The Most Precious Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ (I cl)	
5:45 am	Low Mass
7:15 am	Low Mass
10:00 am	Holy Hour for priests, followed by Low Mass
6:00 pm	Rosary followed by Low Mass
Friday 2nd July: The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary (II cl) First Friday <i>Ss Processus & Martinian, Mm</i>	
7:15 am	Low Mass
9:00 am	Low Mass
6:00 pm	Rosary
7:00 pm	Low Mass followed by adoration until 11:00 pm
Saturday 3rd July: St Irenaeus, BM (III cl) First Saturday	
7:15 am	Low Mass followed by Holy Hour
9:00 am	Low Mass followed by Novena to the Infant of Prague
Sunday 4th July: Sixth Sunday after Pentecost (II cl)	
6:45 am	Low Mass
8:00 am	Low Mass
10:30 am	Low Mass
5:30 pm	Vespers, Benediction and Rosary

Parish Help		
Cleaning Roster – Saturday 3rd July – J. Daher		
Morning Tea & Cakes – Sunday 4th July:		
8:00 am	Mr & Mrs Baxter	Coffee: Agnes Baxter
10:30 am	Mr & Mrs Khoury	Coffee: Lily Khoury
In your charity, please pray for the souls of: Fr Daniel Yagan, FSSPX; Michael Francis, Annette Moraghan; Monica Reid; Amalia Usman; Eileen Patricia Donovan; Claude Edwin Hodges; Grace Pickering; Sylvia Whithall; N. Cooke; Matilde Muruszach; Fr. Laurence Carbery; Alex Von Bloomensteine; Julia Veronica Fren.		

Other Mass Centres Next Sunday, 27th June		
Singleton: 10:00 am		

June: Month of the Sacred Heart: It is fitting that this month within the family and individually there would be a special devotion to the Sacred Heart. This could be done by saying the Litany of the Sacred Heart and putting flowers in front of the image of the Sacred Heart.

July: Month of the Precious Blood: Throughout the month of July it is fitting that within the family and individually all would have a special devotion to the Precious Blood.

Eucharistic Crusade: The intention for the month of June is that souls know and love the Sacred Heart of Jesus even better.

The intention for the month of July is that Our Lord Jesus Christ might reign over our ungodly societies.

Friday Catechism: There will be no adult Catechism this Friday, 2nd. Classes resume 16th July for all adults (and include High School students).

Sunday Catechism: No classes today.

Bulletin by email: If you are not currently receiving the bulletin by email and would like to do so, would you either email your details to info@ssp.com or complete the form in the vestibule and return it to the priests.

25 Years since the opening of the Chapel in Singleton: The public procession of the Blessed Sacrament will take place on Sunday, 18th July. (The Church was opened on the 21st, July, 1996) Please support our mission in Singleton by assisting at this beautiful procession. There will be a sign-up sheet in the hall for those who would like to take the bus. Donations welcome.