

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time~Year C

Diocesan Theme: THE FAMILY: HOME OF LOVE, MERCY AND JOY.

"The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace..." (Galatians 5.22)

Parish Mission Statement: "LOVE GOD, LOVE OTHERS, MAKE DISCIPLES"

Mass Intentions

Saturday, October 29th

4:30 pm For the repose of the soul of Dean Fitzpatrick by the staff and students of STA

Sunday October 30th ~Thirty-First Sunday in ordinary time

9:00 am For the birthday intentions of Joseph Urlocker/Lalonde by the Urlocker/Lalonde family

10:45 am For the intentions of the parishioners by the pastor

Tuesday, November 1st ~All Saints day

7:00 pm

Wednesday, November 2nd ~ at OLM~ All Souls Day

9:00 am For all souls in purgatory by Donna McKlusky

Thursday, November 3rd

9:00 am For the repose of the soul of Theresa Chrusch by Larry and Louise Kelly

Friday, November 4th~St. Charles Borromeo

9:00 am For the repose of the souls of George Hendley, family members and friends

Saturday, November 5th

4:30 pm For all the deceased members of the McKlusky family by Donna McKlusky

Sunday, November 6th Thirty-Second Sunday in ordinary time

9:00 am For the intentions of the parishioners by the pastor

10:45 am For the repose of the soul of Trish McNulty by Denis Ouellette

YOUR OFFERINGS FOR

October 23rd, 2016~\$4,241.95

Thank you for your generosity and support

~IN OUR PRAYERS~

For the sick among our families and friends especially:

Margaret Robertson, Eleanor Kelly,
Addie Pittman, Marthe Lepine, Lorraine Small,
and Tony Logtens.

Pastor's Corner

Never let anything stand on your way to meeting Jesus!

I would like to share with you an excerpt from the homily on today's gospel delivered by our Holy Father Pope Francis to the young people at the close of the last World Youth Day in Krakow, Poland.

"An amazing encounter then takes place, with Zacchaeus, the chief "publican" or tax collector. Zacchaeus was thus a wealthy collaborator of the hated Roman occupiers, someone who exploited his own people, someone who, because of his ill repute, could not even approach the Master. His encounter with Jesus changed his life, just as it has changed, and can daily still change, each of our lives. But Zacchaeus had to face *a number of obstacles* in order to meet Jesus.

The first obstacle is smallness of stature: Zacchaeus couldn't see the Master because he was little. Even today we can risk not getting close to Jesus because we don't feel big enough, because we don't think ourselves worthy. This is a great temptation; it has to do not only with self-esteem, but with faith itself. For faith tells us that we are "children of God... that is what we are" (1 Jn 3:1). We have been created in God's own image; Jesus has taken upon Himself our humanity and His heart will never be separated from us; the Holy Spirit wants to dwell within us. We have been called to be happy for ever with God!

That is our real "stature", our spiritual identity: we are God's beloved children, always. So you can see that not to accept ourselves, to live glumly, to be negative, means not to recognize our deepest identity. It is like walking away when God wants to look at me, trying to spoil His dream for me. God loves us the way we are, and no sin, fault or mistake of ours makes Him change His mind. As far as Jesus is concerned – as the Gospel shows – no one is unworthy of, or far from, His thoughts. No one is insignificant. He loves all of us with a special love; for Him all of us are important: *you* are important!"

Have a good week!
Fr. Paul

INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER FOR OCTOBER:

That journalists, in carrying out their work, may always be motivated by respect for truth and a strong sense of ethics. That World Mission Day may renew within all Christian communities the joy of the Gospel and the responsibility to announce it.

October 30th, 2016

**Are you new to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Parish?
WELCOME! If you have not yet registered, please complete a registration
form found in the foyer or in the office.**

You may bring the completed form to the office or drop it in the collection basket.



THIS WEEK AT OUR LADY'S

Mon. Oct. 31st~ Rosary making group
~7:00 -9:00 pm in the hall
Tues. Nov. 1st ~ Adult choir~7:30~church
Tues. Nov. 1st ~First reconciliation class~6:00-
7:00 pm~hall
Wed. Nov. 2nd ~ ALL SAINTS DAY PARTY
5:30 until 7:30pm~hall
Fri. Nov. 4th ~The bible and the Virgin Mary~
9:45 to 10:45 am and 7:00 pm to 8:00pm~hall

October Devotion

In keeping with our catholic tradition, the month of October is dedicated to Our Lady of the Holy Rosary. The best way to celebrate the month is to pray the rosary daily and other marian devotions. Let us pray for our protection and that of our loved ones and for peace in our world through the intercession of the Mother of God.

Academia Stella Maris is offering children age 4-10 a bible study with a twist! Bible-Lego challenge. Discover Bible characters and saints while having fun with Lego blocks. Starting Tuesday Nov. 8 at Saint Catherine of Siena Parish (Metcalfe). For registration and schedule, visit: <http://goo.gl/WjoWFC>
Questions?: info@academiastellamaris.ca

OLMM presents a pilgrimage to Fatima & Lourdes with Barcelona June 18-27th, 2017. There will be a special presentation on Monday, Nov, 7th, 2016 at 7:00pm. Please RSVP 613-445-1001.

Closing of the door of mercy: Mass for the official closing of the local Archdiocesan door of mercy will take place at Notre Dame Cathedral on Sunday Nov. 13th, at 7:30pm before the Sunday evening mass.

Youth Band for Children's Mass

We are excited to announce that some youth in our parish are trying to put together a music group for the Children's masses. We are looking for anyone from grade 7 to 12 who loves to sing or play an instrument and wants to join in making a joyful noise for our Lord. Practices will be Tuesday evenings. If interested please contact Johnny Watson at 613-443-0115 or SuzanneWatson779@gmail.com.

OLMM Mercy in Action

October - Clothe the Naked

Reflect: Works of mercy usually begin as acts of charity. Today it is essential that they become acts of justice to effect changes in structures that support poverty.

Take Action:

- Donate new and gently used clothing to people in need through a charity such as *St. Vincent de Paul*.
- Buy socks and underwear for people in homeless shelters.
- Send warm winter clothes - jackets, sweaters to homeless shelters. If you knit or crochet, make some hats, gloves and scarves.
- Develop the practice of giving away one gently used article of clothing each time a new one is purchased.
- Purchase clothing from companies that pay workers just wages.
- Become an advocate for products that are not made in "sweat shops".
- Volunteer to assist older or disabled adults to shop for their clothing.

SPIRITUAL GIFTS WORKSHOP, 'CALLED AND GIFTED': Come and discover the charisms the Lord has given you for others and for the glory of God. At St. Mary Parish, 100 Young St. Presented by Fr. Sean Wenger, CC and Sue Cummins from Catherine of Siena Institute. **Fri., Dec. 9, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. & Sat., Dec. 10, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.** Cost: \$35 for individual and \$60 for couple. Info and registration: Sr. Penelope (sisterpenelope@yahoo.com); (613-729-8710).

Ending of the year of mercy: We will celebrate Solemn Vespers to mark the close of the Year of Mercy at Notre Dame Cathedral on Sat., Nov. 19th, at 7:00 pm. All are invited to attend.

ALL SAINTS DAY PARTY!!!! Wed, Nov. 2nd come for the fun from 5:30 to 7:30pm. A free night of fun for the whole family. Please remember to bring: candy for games and be sure to wear a saintly costume.

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