

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year B

Diocesan Theme: **Christ is Everything for Us!** “Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life”.
(John 6.68).

Parish Mission Statement: **Love God, Love Others, Make Disciples!** Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal parish through the liturgy, faith formation and sacramental life, provides opportunities for members to develop their faith and service to others.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, November 9th – The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

4:30pm Repose of the soul of Sean James by the James family

Sunday, November 10th – 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00am Repose of the souls of Bernie Eagles and Mary Jeanette Eagles by William Eagles

10:45am Intentions of the parishioners by the Pastor

Wednesday, November 13th

9:30am Repose of the soul of Doris Brown

Thursday, November 14th

9:00am Repose of the soul of Gisèle Langevin by Matthew and Mary Jane Leman

Friday, November 15th

9:00am Intentions and well-being of all seniors

Saturday, November 16th

4:30pm Repose of the souls of Laurier Dupelle, family members and friends by Margaret and family

Sunday, November 17th – 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00am Intentions of the parishioners by the Pastor

10:45am Repose of the souls of the deceased members of the KOC by the KOC Council 12401

Intentions of the Holy Father for November

For Those Who Have Lost A Child

Let us pray that all parents who mourn the loss of a son or daughter find support in their community, and may receive peace of heart from the Spirit of Consolation.

PRAYER FOR THE HOLY SOULS: Throughout the month of November, let us remember to pray for all our beloved dead and all the souls in Purgatory. As a sign of our prayers, we are invited to write the names of deceased loved ones in the book of remembrance in front of the altar.

The parish Financial Statements for July to September, 2024 is now available. For more information, please email the office at admin@olmm.ca

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Jesus sat down opposite the treasury and observed how the crowd put money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. A poor widow also came and put in two small coins worth a few cents. [Mark 12:41–42](#)
If you were in charge of the Temple treasury, which would you prefer? The rich putting in large sums of money? Or one poor widow putting in two small coins? Of course, an honest answer to that question might be hard to give. Much good can be done with large sums of money, right? Wouldn't it be better to accept more than a few cents? The dilemma one would experience in this situation reveals a misperception that we regularly encounter in life. Is more better than less? Is wealth better than poverty? Is success better than failure? It all depends upon the spiritual reality at hand.

Take, for example, success vs. failure. Say one person sets off on a selfish and immoral business venture that quickly produces a huge income. Many would consider that a success. Say another person prayerfully sought to fulfill the will of God and started some other business. After years of trying, that business failed and went into bankruptcy. Which situation is better? Clearly, the one who sought to fulfill the will of God is the winner. Why? Because the spiritual fruit of fidelity to the will of God, despite worldly setbacks, produced an eternal treasure more valuable than earthly wealth. God judges the heart, not the worldly outcome. In fact, from a worldly perspective alone, Jesus' life was a complete failure. He was arrested, charged with a capital crime, beaten and killed. His earthly kingdom—desired by many of his followers—was never established. Many of them abandoned Him when He was killed. Even after He rose from the dead, He didn't establish an earthly kingdom.

Of course, in the spiritual realm, the realm of eternal realities, Jesus' life was infinitely successful. His death destroyed death itself, and His Resurrection enabled all who believe in Him to share in eternal life. His spiritual Kingdom is now in full bloom and will one day be visible to all.

Back to our original question. If you were in charge of the Temple treasury, and you were given the same option that Jesus pointed to of receiving the large sums of money from the rich, or the two coins from the poor widow, it would certainly be better to accept the two coins. If that is hard to comprehend, then it is a sign that you live more according to the values of the world than the values of the spiritual Kingdom of God. The poor widow gave more than two small coins; she also gave the spiritual gift of her generosity and complete trust in God. She gave all she had and trusted that God would take care of her and use her gift for good. This is infinitely more fruitful for the building of the Kingdom of God than the gift of someone's excess of money. God does not need our money, but we need to give it, be detached from it, and be ready and willing to give everything we have, all that we are, our entire livelihood to God. This is trust. This is a spiritual gift that will have far greater eternal ramifications for the salvation of souls than all the money in the world.

Reflect, today, upon the compliment Jesus pays to this poor widow. “She, from her poverty, has contributed all she had, her whole livelihood.” Do you contribute your whole livelihood? Do you dedicate everything you have, all your energies and gifts, and all that you are to the service of God for His glory? We are called to give everything to God—not just a portion of our lives. Reflect upon how well you imitate this poor widow and seek to follow her holy example.

Most generous Lord, You gave all that You had and all that You are out of love for the salvation of the world. Help me to imitate Your total gift by returning all to You, entrusting my entire life, all that I am, and my entire livelihood to You. Jesus, I trust in You.

November 10, 2024

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 in the collection basket.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

This Week at OLMM

Monday, November 11

1:00 pm – CGS Level 1
4:00 pm – CGS Level 2
7:00 pm – OCIA

Tuesday, November 12

4:30 pm – First Reconciliation/Communion Prep
5:30 pm – CGS Level 3 (Church)
6:30 pm – Confirmation Prep

Wednesday, November 13

10:00 am – Our Lady's Littles Group
1:00 pm – CWL Card Workshop
6:00 pm – Baptism Parents Meeting

Thursday, November 14

9:45 am – Legion of Mary
7:00 pm – CWL Meeting

Friday, November 15

9:00 am – Seniors' Mass
7:00 pm – Youth Group

Sunday, November 17

12:30 pm – Baptism
1:30 pm – CGS Level 1

Seniors' Mass. Join us on Friday, November 15th for the Seniors' Mass at 9 am, followed by refreshments and fellowship in the parish hall.

Starting in November until further notice, the Tuesday Adoration at 6:00 pm and Mass at 7:00 pm is temporarily cancelled.

We will be selling advent candles(\$20.), wreaths(\$20.) and missals(\$5.) in the foyer after weekend masses starting November 17th and 24th.

Spiritual Library

Do you have a favourite Saint? Would you like to know more about other saints? Check out the book display in the foyer. Adult Section B03 in the library contains many books by and about saints: Padre Pio, St Teresa of Avila, St Thomas Aquinas, etc. Matthew Kelly has written a book – *Rediscover the Saints*. And of course, the Children's section has many books on saints. Make November special – read a book on saints.

A new Diocesan News Bulletin with weekly news and events is now available from the Archdiocese of Ottawa-Cornwall to the general public. The bulletin goes out weekly on Wednesdays, and delivers the most recent public news and events, pulled from their website, to your inbox. See the link below to sign up.

<https://mailchi.mp/cf50a52cdbe4/newsletter-opt-in>

VOICE

If you only knew... the Catholic Women's League has a 'voice' to create change! Backed by thousands of Canadian Catholic women - it meets with government and influences laws, stands up for social justice and speaks up for those who do not have a voice. Is there a cause or issue you would like to see brought to the attention of government? Your voice matters – the CWL can help!

Novena to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal begins Tuesday, November 19, 2024.

Please join us as a parish in praying this Novena. This will be a great opportunity for us to pray for family, friends, and parish.

There will be a special Mass in honor of the Feast of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal on Wednesday, November 27th at 9:00am followed by refreshments in the parish hall.

This November, our Vocations Director, Fr. Connor, is launching a new effort in the archdiocese: to ask every Parish to establish Vocation Ministries. Our goal is to help ALL young people hear and respond to the call of Jesus in their lives!

To kickstart this, we're holding a "**Hundredfold Workshop**" on Saturday, November 23rd, 9 am – 3 pm. This will be an inspiring day where you'll learn best practices to get our youth to be open to their vocation of marriage, priesthood, and religious or consecrated life. Register now at: <https://ottawacornwall.ca/event/hundredfold/>

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 12401 CORNER

Knights of Columbus Council 12401 asks all parishioners to remember all those Canadians who have sacrificed their lives for our freedom and our country.

WE WILL REMEMBER THEM

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