

**OCTOBER 11th , 2020 TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**MASSES FOR THIS WEEK**

***Saturday, October 10th***

4:30 Souls in Purgatory by Maureen and Ron Blizchuk

***Sunday, October 11th***

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:30 Kate and Ed Sampson by Ann & Louis Mallette

***Monday, October 12th***

Thanksgiving Day

9:00 Aline Chretien by Dr. Gaston and Maria Schwarz

***Tuesday, October 13th***

9:00 Claude Normandeau by Fran Deis

***Wednesday, October 14th***

St. Callistus I

9:00 Hon. Frederick Collins and Mrs. Irene Collins by their Family

***Thursday, October 15th No Mass***

St. Teresa of Jesus

***Friday, October 16th***

St. Marie-Marguerite D'Youville

9:00 George Ronald by Helene and Pat McCormack

***Saturday, October 17th***

St. Ignatius of Antioch

4:30 Deceased Members of the Cross Family by Maureen and Ron Blizchuk

## REFLECTION

### Look to the heart

There is a big problem with this story. In a good story Jesus always raises a question. It seems a bit unfair to be thrown out, having been brought in at the last minute, because you had no garment. However, the garment means you want to be there and to take on the values of the feast. The garment is the desire of the heart to be a follower in name and deed.

God invites all, but expects us to come with a good heart. Often we see people around mass who seem not to respect it. They may not come often, but God looks to the desires of the heart. Maybe the non-churchy parents who want their child baptized know deep down that their love for the child brings them to baptism. Is that not a good reason? Or maybe the young people who come to mass because they have exams coming up and need all the help they can get?

While Jesus is totally the inviting one, he wants us to remain with him. The heart that follows is the heart that wants to love, and that desire is the wedding garment.

The man knew in his heart that he should not be there. Jesus sees into the heart. What we look for is the sincerity in what brings us to God and that can be different for everybody. Religion is firstly of the heart, and then practice. We never know what's in the heart of our people who sometimes come in faith. You never can tell! Let God be the judge of that!

Recall a time you felt invited by God to help a neighbour. Offer that thanks to God now.

*Lord, make my heart compassionate like yours.*

*Donal Neary S.J.*

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### ***World Mission Sunday***

Next Sunday is World Mission Sunday. Every parish across the globe will celebrate this event. It is a global sign of the Universal Church and mission. On this day, Pope Francis invites all Catholics to contribute to a special collection for the Propagation of the Faith. Your support will help missionaries in proclaiming the Gospel of joy and peace around the world. Your donations will support churches, hospitals, schools and train seminarians and religious Brothers and Sisters in Asia, Africa, Latin America, Pacific Island and some of our Canadian dioceses. In your donation boxes, you will find an envelope for this collection labelled Evangelization of the Nations.

### ***Montreal Directed Retreats: Pray with Scripture Online***

Our weekday prayer sessions continue this month and into the Fall, Monday through Friday, from 10:30 a.m.-11:15 a.m. Welcome to all who desire to deepen your relationship with God. Come join us and learn how to pray with scripture in the way of Saint Ignatius of Loyola. Montreal Directed Retreats (MDR), supported by the English Speaking Catholic Council (ESCC), offers weekday morning online sessions, free and accessible to all via the cloud platform Zoom. Each session will include a short teaching on the Ignatian method of prayer, listening to a Scripture reading and entering into the experience. Following a quiet time, there will be opportunity for sharing (optional). The sessions are 45 minutes in duration and run from Monday to Friday, 10:30 a.m. each morning. If you wish to join us, or if you have any questions, contact us at [Montreal.Directed.Retreats@gmail.com](mailto:Montreal.Directed.Retreats@gmail.com).

### ***Mary Queen of the World Basilica: Sunday & Daily televised Mass in English***

Salt + Light will be broadcasting the English Mass celebrated at Mary Queen of the World across Canada. Mass will run daily at 8:30am and Sunday at 8:00am **starting October 4<sup>th</sup>**. Bishop Thomas Dowd has called on Catholic Action to reach out to our English-Speaking Catholic community to participate in this new and exciting project. They need English lectors, one reader per service as is the current protocol. Contact Judy Wong at [jwong@catholicaction.ca](mailto:jwong@catholicaction.ca)

### ***Recovering Together!***

#### ***Development and Peace – Caritas Canada’s new national campaign for a green and just recovery from the pandemic.***

This national campaign is focussed on global solidarity in the face of the COVID-19 pandemic. The pandemic has put our human family in crisis. Severe malnutrition and extreme poverty are increasing around the world as people get sick, jobs are lost and markets are closed. Vulnerable people including refugees, women and Indigenous peoples face the worst impacts of the pandemic., which began while we are facing another global threat—the global climate crisis.

Together, we have to tackle these global challenges of the pandemic, climate change and extreme inequality that have come to define our era. How we respond right now will determine the future of life on our planet. This critical moment is our opportunity to create the greener and more just world that we have always dreamed of.

Our greatly reduced travel has temporarily reduced greenhouse gas emissions. Government programs such as the CERB have shown how a universal basic income could reduce poverty. These changes prompted by the pandemic have demonstrated that another world is possible. At the same time, the pandemic has exposed the extreme inequalities of our current economy. In his Urbi et Orbi message this Easter, Pope Francis called on us to put people and the environment first in the response to the pandemic, encouraging “political leaders to work actively for the common good, to provide the means and resources needed to enable everyone to lead a dignified life.” The Holy Father reminded us that “now more than ever, persons, communities and peoples must be put at the center, united to heal, to care and to share.”

There will be a collection in our parish (date to be announced) You can also make a donation online directly to Development and Peace at <https://www.devp.org/en>