

November 8th, 2020 Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASSES FOR THIS WEEK

Saturday, November 7th

4:30 Anna & Giuseppe Romano by Cristina Romano Maurizio

Sunday, November 8th

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10:30 Freda Baylis by her son Richard

Monday, November 9th

The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

9:00 Margaret Deraiche Cosentino for a return to good health

by Nadine Cosentino, Kenneth Berall, Vanessa, Melissa & Alexis Berall

Tuesday, November 10th

Pope St. Leo the Great

Wednesday, November 11th

St. Martin of Tours

Remembrance Day

9:00 Lorraine Boychuk by Father MacEachen

Thursday, November 12th

No Mass

St. Josaphat

Friday, November 13th

9:00 Pauline and Guy Benoit by a friend

Saturday, November 14th

4:30 Souls in Purgatory by Maureen and Ron Blizchuk

*This week the Sanctuary lamp
will burn in memory of
Edilberto Perez
by the Family*

REFLECTION

Jesus always new

The lamp is the light of love and hope, and at its centre is the light of Christ. The light is given to us in many ways in our lives – it shines within as an eternal joy, and outwards to many others. Jesus often advises, ‘keep your lamps burning’ and ‘Let your lights shine.

Like when the bulb goes out when the electricity fails, the lamp can go out without oil. The people of the gospel felt foolish that they had not brought oil with them to light their way. The oil is prayer in our relationship with Jesus. This is the essence of the Christian life. Our Christian life is following a real, loving person: it is an invitation to get to know Jesus, and to find ourselves drawn from our hearts to follow him. Without this living relationship with Christ, words sound empty. We sometimes hear someone speaking of their Christian faith and cannot help wondering if it comes from the inside or is just a list of things to be believed and read.

Ignatius of Loyola’s famous prayer is the prayer of the follower of Jesus; ‘Lord, teach me to know you more, love you more and serve you more faithfully in my life.’ (Spiritual Exercises). The more indicates that this is never a finished product: like love and friendship it grows in our lives. It is exciting that Jesus is never gone from us: risen from the dead he is always alive, always new. Our reading of the gospel, our sharing at Mass and the sacraments and our personal prayer keep this relationship always alive, always new.

Thinking of a bright lamp, or imagining one, ask for an ever-brightening light of Christ in your life.
Lord, teach me to know, love and serve you more faithfully every day

Donal Neary S.J., www.messenger.ie

Book of Remembrance

Throughout the month of November a Book of Remembrance is normally available at the back of the church in which you are invited to inscribe the names of all family and friends whom you would like remembered in prayer by our parish community during this month.

Unfortunately this year we are not able to set out the book. However, at every Mass in November Father MacEachen will have a special intention for all who have died and whom we wish to have remembered.

Sunday Missals 2021

The Living with Christ Sunday Mass books for the coming Liturgical Year are available for sale at the back of the church. The cost is \$5 each. The supply is limited so you are encouraged to purchase your copy as soon as possible & write your name in your book.

If you are currently not able to attend Mass in person, but would like a Missal, please contact the parish to make arrangements to obtain one.

A Prayer for Remembrance Day

*God of love and justice,
today we remember all men and women who died in defense of our country and its freedom.*

*Help us to honour their sacrifice
through our prayers and actions for peace in our world.*

*Send your Spirit to help us to let go of misunderstandings,
hatred and prejudice
so that we may grow together as one family.*

*Guide our steps in the way of peace
We ask this prayer through Jesus Christ,
the Prince of Peace.*

Amen.

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.

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 4th**. 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