

November 15th, 2020 Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASSES FOR THIS WEEK

Saturday, November 14th

4:30 Souls in Purgatory by Maureen and Ron Blizchuk

Sunday, November 15th

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World Day of the Poor

10:30 Kurt and Linda Krause by the Estate

Monday, November 16th

St. Margaret of Scotland

St. Gertrude

9:00 Pat McBride by Patricia McCormack

Tuesday, November 17th

St. Elizabeth of Hungary

Wednesday, November 18th

The Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts. Peter and Paul

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

Thursday, November 19th

No Mass

Friday, November 20th

Saturday, November 21st

The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

4:30 Iola, Antonio & Gino Romano by Cristina Romano Maurizio

This week the Sanctuary lamp

will burn in memory of

Clariza Diokno

by the Family

REFLECTION

We are reminded today that we will each be called to give an account for the gifts God has given us — our physical, intellectual and material gifts — as well as the gift of time itself.

Jesus illustrates this truth in our Gospel passage from Matthew. He tells the story — commonly known as the Parable of the Talents — of a wealthy man who is about to go on a journey. Before he leaves, the man calls his three servants to “entrust his possessions to them.”

The master in our parable gives to the care of each servant a portion of his money (“talent”) commensurate with that servant’s abilities. The first two prove to be good and faithful servants — they “immediately” put the talents to use, doubling what had been entrusted to them. The third servant reacted to this responsibility with fear — in fact, he did the opposite. He hid master’s talent, burying it in the ground. He took the safe way, the easy way out.

What a tragic response! This servant did not understand his master at all. He failed to see what a privilege he had been given. The master wanted to give all his servants the joy and satisfaction of helping him grow his kingdom. This is what our Heavenly Father wants for us, too — the incredible privilege of helping to advance the coming of the Kingdom of God.

Let us embrace the stewardship way of life, using all the gifts entrusted to us — Time, Talents and Treasure — in such a way that at the end of our life on this earth, we will hear these words from our Father: “Well done, my good and faithful servant... Come, share your master’s joy.”

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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.

President Loyola High School

Loyola High School is seeking an experienced, collaborative, Ignatian leader for the position of President. Founded in 1896, Loyola High School is a Catholic, Jesuit, all-boys university preparatory school in Montreal. As Loyola approaches its 125th year steeped in tradition, we are seeking a new president with eyes on the future.” To view a detailed position description and to apply visit loyola.ca.

World Day of the Poor

The Fourth World Day of the Poor will be observed on **15 November 2020**. This year's theme "Stretch forth your hand to the poor" is a summons to responsibility and commitment as men and women who are part of our one human family. We read in Pope Francis' text "Stretch forth your hand to the poor" (Sir 7:32). Age-old wisdom has proposed these words as a sacred rule to be followed in life. Today these words remain as timely as ever. They help us fix our gaze on what is essential and overcome the barriers of indifference. Poverty always appears in a variety of guises, and calls for attention to each particular situation. In all of these, we have an opportunity to encounter the Lord Jesus, who has revealed himself as present in the least of his brothers and sisters (cf. Mt 25:40)". The complete text is available at:
http://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/poveri/documents/papa-francesco_20200613_messaggio-iv-giornatamondiale-poveri-2020.html

With the cold weather approaching, charities all across Canada prepare for the busiest time of the year. The COVID-19 response has just increased the burden on us all, but it is felt most keenly by the already marginalized. This is why even more people than usual turn to organizations like the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul (SSVP) for help. The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul (SSVP) in Canada is using The World Day of the Poor as a day in which we are encouraged to consider those less fortunate than ourselves and to give generously what we can. Donations can be made online at
<https://www.imakeanonlinedonation.org/ssvp-national/>

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