



32nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – 12 NOVEMBER 2006

“Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury.”

(Today's Readings: 1 Kings 17:10-16; Hebrews 9:24-28; Mark 12:38-44)

Announced mass intentions...

- Sat., Nov. 11 5:00PM Mass – Tommy McKeown+
Patrick Chatelaine+
- Sun., Nov. 12 **32nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
8:00AM Mass – Holy Cross Parishioners
9:30AM Mass – Ray Moore+
Emile Boudreau+
Vera & Jack Patton+
11:15AM Mass – Debbie Brown+
7:30PM Mass – Virginia Navaluna+
- Mon., Nov. 13 12:15PM **NO** Mass
- Tues., Nov. 14 12:15PM Mass – Aline Digasparro+
- Wed., Nov. 15 9:40AM Mass for Holy Cross School
12:15PM Mass – Mary Beggan (lvg)
- Thurs., Nov. 16 9:00AM Mass at Billings Lodge
1180 Belanger Ave.
12:15PM Mass – Pro Life
- Fri., Nov. 17 12:15PM Mass
- Sat., Nov. 18 5:00PM Mass – Geovane Calcafuoco+
Katie & Charles Gillissie+
- Sun., Nov. 19 **33rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
8:00AM Mass – Holy Cross Parishioners
9:30AM Mass – Rita & Richard Lemieux+
Pauline Fongues+
Ray Moore+
11:15AM Mass – Maria da Piedade Teixeira+
7:30PM Mass

Events Calendar

- Sat., Nov. 11 9:30AM Prayer Group – Rm. A
4:30PM Rosary – Church
6:00PM Old Fashioned Parish Supper
- Sun., Nov. 12 9:30AM Children's Liturgy
10:30AM Children's Choir Practice – Rm. A
Memorial for K of C Veterans during the 11:15 Mass
- Tues., Nov. 14 7:15PM RCIA – Rm. A
8:00PM A.A. – Hall
- Wed., Nov. 15 7:30PM Choir (7:30) practice – Church
7:30PM K of C general meeting – Hall
- Thurs., Nov. 16 6:30PM Christian Meditation – Rm. A
7:30PM Choir (11:15) practice – Church
- Fri., Nov. 17 1:00PM African Angels – Rm. A
- Sat., Nov. 18 9:30AM Prayer Group – Rm. A
4:30PM Rosary – Church
6:00PM **Volunteer Appreciation Gathering** – held in the hall
- Sun., Nov. 19 9:30AM Children's Liturgy
10:30AM Children's Choir Practice – Rm. A

We remember in our prayers the sick...

-our parishioners- Laurette Allen, Helen Charbonneau, Clare Desjardins (husband of Alicia), Ron Dexter (husband of Diane), Joan Dumbrell (wife of Bob Irvine), Marie Claire Grandbois, Gertrude Kennedy, Alice Houghton (wife of Bob), Audrey Hester, Eveline Lavoié, Reg MacDonald (husband of Joan), Odette and Leo MacKinnon, Deacon Bruce McLeod, Yolanda Miron (mother of Mina), Mary O'Connor (wife of Al), Barbara Riggins, Margaret Ross, Ray Valin (husband of Betty), Sherri Vallee (daughter of Betty)

-relatives- Cathy Becker (sister of Maureen Monaghan), Helen Chynces (sister of Theresa Sarceвич), Barbara Cooper (sister of Imelda Marrast), Patricia Esmond (mother of Liz), Guy Gosselin (brother-in-law of Theresa Sarceвич), Anastasia Gorecki (sister of Theresa Sarceвич), Vivian Hunt (brother of Beryl Budzinski), Cathy Jirsch (sister of Aileen Halls), Marian Lane (sister of Betty Dillon), Theresa Lassaline (sister of Mary Simms), Ayin & Godwin Lee (parents of Robert), Jerry Lorbetkie (brother of Dorothy Daub), Oswald Luke (father-in-law of Robert Lee), Elizabeth McEwan (mother of Joanne), Patricia McGowan (daughter of Ray & Betty Valin), Marie Miele (mother of Christine), Dominci O'Hara (brother of Monica Ryan), Donald Pajot (brother of Marc), Sonia Pereira (cousin of Marlene Braganza), Jonathan Seepersad (nephew of Robert Lee), Eleanor Spafford (mother of Barb Goski)

-the deceased- Andrew O'Connor (husband of Marsella)

COLLECTION REPORT

~ A Summary of Your Generosity ~
November 05 – \$5,091.62 (env.) / \$728.95 (loose)

Pastor's Column...

TODAY'S GOSPEL THE POOR WIDOW GAVE ALL SHE HAD

The example of the Scribes is contrasted with the contribution of the poor widow. The poor widow gave all she had. She was not worried about what the others were giving or not giving. She gave her best. The Scribes on the other hand were supposed to spend their lives, giving. In reality, actually they were receiving: honour in the market places, greetings and praise etc. This is a beautiful sentiment to treasure in our hearts. Christian life is about giving, charity, good example, hope, encouragement, welcoming, supporting the weak, promoting justice etc. We can never say that we do not have more to give. We need to guard against excessive receiving, recognition for every deed, bouquets of praises etc. The widow's might was really her MIGHT. It could be mine, too.

All that you give to others you are giving to yourself.

WE CONGRATULATE the following children who joined us in through the waters of baptism and the outpouring of the Holy Spirit: *Mathew J. Thottungal, Mackenzie Helen Gendron, Terra Kathleen Giroux, Laura Rowan Hanniman, and Emily Madison Roussy.* "May they keep the flame of faith alive in their hearts."

Parish News and Community Life...

START PREPARING YOUR ADVENT WREATHS: The Hospitality Committee will be selling sets of advent candles on November 26/27 as well as on December 02/03 at the Walkley Rd. entrance. On the First Sunday of Advent there will be a special blessing of Advent wreaths at the beginning of all masses, so please make sure you bring yours to Mass and place in front of the Altar.

SPECIAL ENVELOPES are available at the entrance of the Church (until December 10) for donations towards our **CHRISTMAS FLOWERS** in memory of a deceased loved one. The names of the deceased will be printed on a special insert in the Christmas bulletin.

REMINDER TO ALL LECTORS AND ANNOUNCERS: There will be a workshop for you on **Monday, November 27 at 7 p.m. in the Church.** All the current lectors and announcers and those who are interested to join this ministry are requested to participate in this workshop.

The CHILDREN'S CHOIR will be practising after the 9.30 a.m. Mass in meeting room "A" in preparation for the 4 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass. All are welcome. For information call Ricki Armitage at 613-523-3052 or farmitage@rogers.com.

ATTENTION ALL MUSIC LOVERS: A concert called "*Whispers of Christmas*" will be held at Holy Cross Parish on Friday, November 24 at 7 p.m. It is organized by the 7:30 Sunday Mass Choir. Tickets are \$10 per person or \$20 for family and will be sold at the Church entrances. Funds raised through this concert will be used to purchase sound and other equipments to support the music ministry of Holy Cross Parish.

HOSPITALITY

MARK YOUR CALENDARS for the Annual Christmas Bake and Craft Sale on Sunday, December 10 after all morning Masses in the parish hall. For information and table rental (\$10 for rental) call Jackie Yost at 613-521-2607.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Knights of Columbus Holy Cross Council are reminded of the regular monthly general meeting on Wednesday, November 15 in the parish hall at 7:30 p.m. **FOR ALL PARISHIONERS**, there will be a guest speaker, Fr. Martin Farrell of the Dominican University College who will speak about, "*Is today's Society neglecting its relationship with God?*" All are welcome to hear his talk at 8:30 p.m. in the parish hall.

PASTORAL CARE

In this month of November traditionally set aside for all souls, we join you in prayer for all of our deceased relatives, friends and former parishioners.

We are available to visit or bring Holy Communion to the housebound. Please call Theresa Fitzgerald at 613-523-7674 or the parish office at 613-731-7834.

YOUTH CORNER

IT'S A CHRISTMAS PARTY! The youth will play host to their families for a very festive holiday feast on December 16. This event will only be put on if enough people respond not later than December 03 by calling Robin at 613-731-4622 or email at joe.goski@rogers.com.

Social Action...

MISSION, PEACE, AND DEVELOPMENT

Last Tuesday at our meeting Kristina Inrig explained the values, aims and actions of the Greening Sacred Spaces program. Greening Sacred Spaces is a practical plan developed by Faith and the Common Good, a Canadian inter-faith network of religious communities who understand the Earth as a sacred gift. On Sunday, November 19 there will be a short presentation about Faith and the Common Good at the 9:30 and 11:15 Masses.

Committee members Anna Dorner and Brigitta Fernandez reviewed the highlights of the November 04 city-wide meeting of Development and Peace. The D&P action campaign will focus on the mining industry and especially the role played Canadian companies. Because of its predominance in global mining, Canada has enormous influence for good in improving world standards in that industry. We also discussed the feasibility of providing some funding from the Angel project to Morning Star Children's Centre. Morning Star in Welkom, South Africa provides day care for under-privileged children infected with HIV/AIDS.

Our Angel Makers will be participating in bazaars on Saturday, November 18 at St. John the Apostle on Baseline Rd., and Orleans United Church on Orleans Blvd.

DID YOU KNOW?

SERIES ABOUT EASTERN CATHOLIC CHURCHES

10. The Bulgarian Catholic Church

Under Tsar Boris (853-889) the Bulgarians accepted Christianity in its Byzantine form. Following the Great Schism of 1054, the Bulgarian Church broke their relationship with Rome, but in the year 1859 some influential Bulgarians tried to unite with Rome and Pope Pius IX accepted their request and appointed Joseph Sokolsky as Archbishop for them on 08 April 1861. Though Archbishop Sokolsky won the recognition from the Ottoman authorities it was short lived.

As a result of the Balkan and First World War, the Bulgarian Church suffered heavily. Many Bulgarians fled from the territories of present-day Greece and Turkey to what is now Bulgaria. Pastoral care was established among them largely with the help of Archbishop Angelo Roncalli, the future Pope John XXIII, who in 1925 was named Apostolic Delegate for Bulgaria where he stayed until 1934.

Unlike other communist regimes in Eastern Europe, the Communist Government that took power in Bulgaria after World War II did not abolish the Byzantine Catholic Church, but did subject it to severe restrictions, which are said to have been somewhat eased after the election of Pope John XXIII on 28 October 1958. The church in Bulgaria enjoyed greater religious freedom after the fall of Zhukov regime in 1989.

In 2002 the Bulgarian Government invited Pope John Paul II to visit Bulgaria and it was the first visit of an acting Roman Pope in the country.

At the end of 2004, the Apostolic Exarchate of Sofia (Diocese for Eastern Rite Catholics) had some 10,000 Catholics in 21 parishes, cared for by 5 diocesan priests, 16 religious priests and 41 religious sisters (There are two other dioceses for the Latin Rite Catholics).

Next week: The Ukrainian Catholic Church