



THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME –11 NOVEMBER 2018

**“...this poor widow has put in more...
...out of her poverty has put in everything she had...”**

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

Announced Mass intentions

- Sat., Nov. 10 5:00PM Mass – Souls in Purgatory
- Sun., Nov. 11 **31th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
8:00AM Mass – Holy Cross Parishioners
9:30AM Mass – Garry Brown+
Apie Lucie Adje+
Zimmerling Family+
11:15AM Mass-Bernabe & Cleofe Jacosalem+
- Mon., Nov. 12 **NO MASS**
- Tues., Nov. 13 9:30AM Mass– Jeannette Lavigne+
- Wed., Nov. 14 12:15PM Mass – Costanza Family+
- Thurs., Nov. 15 10:00AM Communion service held at
Windsor Park Manor
12:15PM Mass– Gary Kilbertus+
- Fri., Nov. 16 12:15PM Mass – Luise Cellbrot+
Garry Brown+
Linda Viola+
- Sat., Nov. 17 5:00PM **YOUTH MASS**
Huguette Landreville+
- Sun., Nov. 18 **32th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
8:00AM Mass – Holy Cross Parishioners
9:30AM Mass – Souls in Purgatory
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Cacciotti Family+
11:15AM Mass– 11:15 Choir members (Ivg)

Events Calendar ...

- Sat., Nov. 10 9:00AM Parish Ultreya – Church
9:30AM Prayer Group
6:00PM **Old Fashioned Parish Supper**
- Sun., Nov. 11 9:30AM Children's Liturgy
10:30AM Children's Choir practice – Rm. A
FOOD DRIVE after all Masses
D & P members speaking at all the Masses
K of C Remembrance ceremony during the 9:30 am Mass
- Mon., Nov. 12 12:30PM Potato Peelers – Hall
- Tues., Nov. 13 8:00PM A.A. – Hall
- Wed., Nov. 14 7:30PM Choir (9:30) practice – Church
- Thurs., Nov. 15 12:45PM Club 55 – Hall
7:00PM Choir (11:15) practice – Church
- Sat., Nov. 17 9:30AM Prayer Group – Rm. A
6:00PM Youth Group meeting – Hall
- Sun., Nov. 18 9:30AM Children's Liturgy
10:30AM Children's Choir practice – Rm. A
CLARETIAN MISSION APPEAL at all Masses
Pancake Breakfast after the 8 & 9:30 a.m. Masses

PASTORAL LETTER

FROM ARCHBISHOP TERENCE PRENDERGAST

The Catholic Church the world over is undergoing some turmoil and division. Pope Francis says this should not be surprising as it is the role of Satan to divide people and cause confusion. In fact, our word “devil” comes from the Greek word “diabolos”—the one who divides.

In addition to human weakness and sinfulness behind divisions in the Church, Pope Francis sees a cosmic battle between the forces of good and evil at work touching men and women in our time. To counteract these, he has proposed spiritual remedies.

Spiritual practices that aid people in unsettling times are prayer and fasting in repentance for personal sins. Another step is to make reparation for the sins committed against God's commandments and the dignity of the human person by silent prayer, adoration and sacrificial giving to benefit others.

The Holy Father asked the faithful of the entire world to pray that the Holy Mother of God place the Church beneath her protective mantle. We are to implore her to preserve the Church from attacks by the devil, “the great accuser.” We are also to ask her intercession to make members of the Church more aware of the faults, the errors, and the abuses committed recently and in the past, so that, being converted, evil may no longer prevail over us.

The rosary would then conclude with the prayer written by Pope Leo XIII: “Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil; may God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl through the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.”

The Bishops of Ontario discussed favourably the possibility of adopting this practice in their respective dioceses. Accordingly, I am inviting pastors in the Ottawa and Cornwall dioceses to introduce this practice in their churches beginning on December 2, the First Sunday of Advent.

(Full text is available on the Parish bulletin board)



MISSION APPEAL FOR THE CLARETIAN MISSIONS IN INDIA—beginning on the weekend of **November 17/18 & 24/25 at all the Masses.** To help support the Claretian Missions in India, the Religious Order of Fr.

Lukose Kochupurackal CMF, special envelopes will be placed in the pews. This year's donations will go directly to the “Sadhana Centre”, a home for the mentally challenged. Fr. Dominic Jose CMF (former pastor) is the director of this Centre. Please make your cheques payable to Holy Cross Parish.

Pastor's Message...

THANK YOU to Deacon John Kennedy for shouldering the responsibility of leading Holy Cross' Faith Formation Programme on "*Journey through the Bible—The Virgin Mary*". I was glad to hear that all the participants made spiritual progress in their understanding of the devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary. My sincere thanks to Joe Goski, the Hospitality Team and all those who made the programme another huge success of the year!!

Mark your calendars as we will be presenting another exciting topic to mark our Jubilee Year celebrations, "**THEOLOGY OF THE BODY**" beginning on January 14, 2019. More details will follow in upcoming bulletins.

In response to the Archbishop's Pastoral letter on the 'Crisis in the Church' and the proposed 'Spiritual remedies', we will recite the St. Michael's Prayer at the end of all weekend Masses starting on the First Sunday of Advent, December 01/02.

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION GATHERING: Holy Cross Parish is blessed to have so many committed volunteers who bring life and dynamism to our ministries. In appreciation for your valuable contribution throughout the year, you are personally invited to a **special Mass of Thanksgiving** on **Friday, November 23 at 7:00 pm** which will be followed by a wine and cheese social in the parish hall. You are encouraged to bring another potential volunteer with you. Remember, it is an occasion to appreciate and recognize each other as a family!!

God bless
Fr. Lukose

Parish News and Community Life...

YOUR PARISH NEEDS YOUR HELP!!

The Building Committee is responsible for the identification of the needs of our church building, the planning of repairs and renovations that will ensure that our parish remains clean, safe, and energy efficient. In this Jubilee Year, we would like to address the status of both the interior and exterior of the Church. The Committee welcomes any suggestions you may have to improve our Church facilities, but we need your help...if you are knowledgeable in the heating and ventilation, electrical, or plumbing, or are experienced in project management and planning, you may be just the right person to join us. You can call the parish office at 613-731-7834 or email Mike Lowe at jmichaelclowe@gmail.com.

PREPARATION FOR THE SACRAMENTS OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND FIRST RECONCILIATION: Parents who wish to have their child(ren) prepare for the sacrament of First Holy Communion and Reconciliation are asked to attend a **MANDATORY PARENT MEETING** on **Thursday, November 22 at 6:30 p.m. (arrive 15 minutes early)** in the parish hall. Please note that **your child must be baptised Catholic** in order to receive the sacrament of First Holy Communion. **Bring A COPY (not original) of your child's Catholic Baptismal certificate with you to this meeting.** We are also asking that one parent bring a copy of their Catholic baptismal certificate as well. Contact the parish office at 613-731-7834 for information.

ATTENTION: If you own a business or know of a business in the area that would benefit from advertising on the back of our bulletin, please contact the parish office. We depend on our advertisers to allow us to continue the publication of the bulletin.

2019 DAILY GOSPEL DIARY is a pastoral initiative of the Claretians to spread the Word of God. Daily Gospel has thought provoking reflections on an array of Liturgical Scriptural Readings to inspire and guide you through a personal 365 day spiritual voyage. The cost is \$4 each. **ALSO HOLY CROSS' 2019 CATHOLIC FAITH CALENDARS** are available for **\$3 each or two for \$5**. Both are available at the back of the church. Thank you for your support. **AND 2019 SUNDAY MISSALS** are available for purchase. Cost: \$5 and they may be found at the back of the church on the bookrack. Place your money in the slot on the table next to the bookrack.

CLUB 55: The next gathering will be on **Thursday, November 15** in the parish hall **following the 12:15 pm Mass**. A hot "Comfort Food" lunch will be served. There will be a special presentation by Mangalam Lena, who will speak on the subject of 'Forgiveness' followed by a time for cards and games. Please join us and bring along a family member or friend for an afternoon of fellowship and fun.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS CHOIR: Parents whose children would like to be a part of the Children's Christmas Choir are asked to bring them to the practices on Sunday's beginning **November 11, 18 and 25 from from 10:30 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. held in meeting room A.** **ALSO** practices in December will be on Saturdays starting **December 08, 15 and 24 from 2 p.m. until 3 p.m. held in the Church.** We humbly request that you do not miss any of the practises. Please note that the Christmas Eve Children's Mass is on Monday, December 24 at 4:00 p.m.



PANCAKE BREAKFAST: The Knights of Columbus will be serving a Pancake Breakfast after the 8 & 9:30 morning Masses on **Sunday, November 18**. Free will offering with proceeds directed to renting buses to bring Holy Family School students to Mass at Holy Cross Church.

Social Justice...

FALL FOOD DRIVE: Many thanks to Holy Cross parishioners for their donations to our four local food banks. Your donations will be delivered this Tuesday to the Heron Emergency Food Centre, Debra Dynes Family House, Greenboro Pavilion Food Bank and Banff Family House. Hundreds of people in need will be well served by your generosity.

DEVELOPMENT & PEACE-Caritas Canada: Never before have so many people fled war, persecution, natural disasters, extreme poverty and development megaprojects. In solidarity with the 68.5 million children, women and men who have been forced to flee their homes, please Share the Journey. Sign the postcard. Info: www.dev.org