



THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME –18 NOVEMBER 2018

“Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.”

(Today's Readings: Daniel 12:1-3; Hebrews 10:11-14, 18; Mark 13:24-32)

Announced Mass intentions

Sat., Nov. 17 5:00PM **YOUTH MASS**
Huguette Landreville+

Sun., Nov. 18 **33rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
8:00AM Mass – Holy Cross Parishioners
9:30AM Mass – Souls in Purgatory
Fesseha Fre+
Cacciotti Family+
11:15AM Mass– 11:15 Choir members (Ivg)

Mon., Nov. 19 **NO MASS**

Tues., Nov. 20 9:30AM Mass – Lucie Gardner+

Wed., Nov. 21 12:15PM Mass-Armand & Jeannette Lavigne+

Thurs., Nov. 22 10:00AM Communion service held at
Windsor Park Manor
12:15PM Mass– Patry Family+

Fri., Nov. 23 12:15PM Mass – Bydlinski Family+
Ranjith Maligaspe+
Cavellri Family+

Sat., Nov. 24 5:00PM Mass – Gretta Stiffel+

Sun., Nov. 25 **CHRIST THE KING**
8:00AM Mass – Holy Cross Parishioners
9:30AM Mass – Roger Patry+
Vivian Braganza+
Guzzo & Pedulla Family+
11:15AM Mass – Elizabeth Ford+

Sun., Nov. 25 10:30AM Children's Choir practice – Rm. A
CLARETIAN MISSION APPEAL at all Masses

COLLECTION REPORT

11 November 2018 – \$4,999.00 (env) / \$762.65 (loose)
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Deacon's Column...

WE DO NOT NEED TO KNOW WHEN THE END WILL COME

The words of Jesus on end times were spoken just a few days before his crucifixion. His main point is that with his death and resurrection the Old Covenant will end, and the New Covenant, the age of the Church, will begin. This will be the last period of salvation history. In this period, God's saving grace will gradually spread throughout the world, and the powers of evil will desperately, and unsuccessfully, battle against it. At this end of the age of the Church, Jesus will return to bring all human history to its culmination. Exactly when this will happen is shrouded in mystery and only God the Father knows. What Jesus wants to make sure his Apostles understand, is that it will occur, and he wants them to be ready for it. He actually finishes the discourse by saying: "Be watchful! Be alert! You do not know when the time will come."

We don't know, because we do not need to know. God has seen fit to assure us is that history has a purpose, and it will come to an end, and we should always keep this in mind. Through the ages, many Christians have become obsessed with the details of how and when this will occur, often neglecting the whole point of this revelation. It is enough for us to know we are a part of a story with meaning and it will come to a definitive end. The sun and moon and stars will be darkened – the whole order of creation will be transformed. At this time, we will receive just recompense for how we carried out our role in this story. It's that simple, and it's that momentous.

God bless
Deacon John

Events Calendar ...

Sat., Nov. 17 9:30AM Prayer Group
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

Mon., Nov. 19 12:30PM Potato Peelers – Hall

Tues., Nov. 20 6:30PM Finance – Rm. A
8:00PM A.A. – Hall

Wed., Nov. 21 7:00PM Choir (9:30) practice – held in
meeting room A and Church
7:30PM K of C general meeting – Hall

Thurs., Nov. 22 12:45PM Club 55 – Hall
6:30PM **PARENT MEETING FOR FIRST
HOLY COMMUNION** – Hall
7:00PM Choir (11:15) practice – Church

Fri., Nov. 23 10:00AM Pastoral Care meeting – Library
7:00PM Mass & Volunteer Appreciation

Sat., Nov. 24 9:30AM Prayer Group – Rm. A
11:00AM Youth Baking Workshop – Hall

Sun., Nov. 25 9:30AM Children's Liturgy



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.

Parish News and Community Life...

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: Our **PARISH ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICE** will be held on **Tuesday, December 11 at 7:00 p.m.**

Thank You

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!!

CAN WE FIND YOU!! As part of our Jubilee celebration, we are looking for the names of those who were members of the parish from the very beginning (50 years ago). We want to acknowledge and recognize their sacrifices in building up Holy Cross to where it is today. The Parish Jubilee Committee is asking that you please provide them with your name and phone number and place it in the Jubilee suggestion box at the entrance of the Church. If you know anybody who is away from the parish for whatever reason, please provide us with their names as well. Let us all celebrate our faith journey together!

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. Sign-up sheets may be found at the entrance of the Church, or call the Parish office at 613-731-7834.

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.

PREPARATION FOR THE SACRAMENTS OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION & 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 20 minutes early)** in the parish hall. **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.**

HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE

Our **ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CRAFT/BAKE SALE** will be held on Sunday, December 02 after all morning Masses. There will be a huge Bake table, including loaves baked by the Youth, Jewelry, a local author, and much more! Be sure to drop by Café Noël for a special treat and a drink.



START PREPARING YOUR ADVENT WREATHS: On the First Sunday of Advent (December 01/02) there will be a special blessing at all the Masses for Advent wreaths. The Hospitality Committee will be selling sets of Advent candles after all the weekend Masses on November 24/25 and on December 02 at the Christmas Craft/Bake Sale.

The **OTTAWA POLICE CHOIR** will present a Christmas Concert on **Sunday, December 16 at 2 p.m.** in the Church. All parishioners and visitors are welcome. There is no charge for admission – a free-will offering will be gratefully accepted. A reception in the hall will follow the concert. Come and get into the spirit of the season by enjoying classic religious music both traditional and contemporary. We hope to see you there!



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Following the Knights of Columbus regular meeting on Wednesday, November 21 at 8:30 p.m., Carl Hetu, National Director for the Catholic Near East Welfare Association (CNEWA) will give a presentation regarding this papal agency for humanitarian pastoral support (who they are and what their part is in the world). All are welcomed.

2019 DAILY GOSPEL DIARY are available for \$4 each. **HOLY CROSS' 2019 CATHOLIC FAITH CALENDARS** are available for **\$3 each or two for \$5.** **2019 SUNDAY MISSALS** are available for \$5 each. They may be found at the back of the church.

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: **Sunday, November 25 from 10:30 am to 11:30 am in meeting room A.** **Saturdays starting on December 08, 15 & 24 from 2 pm to 3 pm held in the Church.** We humbly request that you do not miss any of the practises. The **Christmas Eve Children's Mass** is on **Monday, December 24 at 4 pm.**



Social Justice...

DEBRA DYNES FAMILY HOUSE is again looking for small gifts (new or gently used) that the children can give their parents for Christmas. This year they also anticipate a shortage of presents for youth themselves aged 10 to 16. If you can help these families celebrate the holiday, please leave your donations in the DDFH box under the Social Justice table.

SHARE THE JOURNEY: Thanks to all parishioners who signed the postcard in support of the 68.5 million migrants who are forced to flee their homes. Postcards are still available to sign on the Social Justice table. Place the cards in the box provided. Info: www.devpo.org