Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time-Year B



Diocesan Theme: **Christ is Everything for Us!** "Let us work for the good of all, and especially for the family of the faith" (Galatians 6.10b).

Parish Mission Statement: **Love God, Love Others, Make Disciples!** Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal parish through the liturgy, faith formation and sacramental life, provides opportunities for members to develop their faith and service to others.



Saturday, Nov. 17-St. Elizabeth of Hungary

4:30pm- For the repose of the souls of the Drummond family by the James family

Sunday, Nov. 18-Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am- For the repose of the souls of Ron and Mary Payment by the family

10:45am- For the deceased members of the KOC by the KOC council 12401

Tuesday, Nov. 20

7:00 pm-For the repose of the soul of Michael Adams by the staff and students of STA

Wednesday, Nov. 21-The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:30am-STA

9:30am-OLMM

Thursday, Nov. 22-St. Cecilia

9:00 am-For the repose of the soul of Lisette Cornellier by the staff and students of STA

Friday, Nov. 23

9:00 am-For the repose of the soul of Matthew Holmes by the Catholic District School Board of Eastern Ontario

Saturday, Nov. 24-St. Andrew Dung-Lac

4:30 pm-For the repose of the soul of Sean James by the James family

Sunday, Nov. 25 -Christ The King

9:00 am- For the repose of the soul of Bruce Helliker by the Payment family

 ${\bf 10:\!45}$ am- For the intentions of the Parishioners by the Pastor

~IN OUR PRAYERS~

For the sick among our families and friends especially: Genny Detillieux, Alice Lavigne, Melanie Joanette, & Marie Kirkham

YOUR OFFERINGS FOR:

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INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER FOR NOVEMBER: Universal – In Service of Peace

That the language of love and dialogue may always prevail over the language of conflict.

Gospel Summary

Today's Gospel reading is often referred to as the "Little Apocalypse" because of its many references to the events that will occur at the end of time. Jesus tells His disciples that many unusual and frightening things will happen, but He will come with power and glory to gather together His elect. While we may not know the day and hour of His coming, Jesus encourages us to pay attention to the signs of the times and to know that He is near.

Reflection for Parents

Many frightening things fill the news each day—murder, violence, war, hurricanes, tornados, fires—and your children are aware of these happenings. It is important that your home and your family be a place of safety, security, and peace in the midst of such news and in the midst of the challenges of daily life. As your children talk about the news and voice their fears and concerns, invite them to join you in praying for those impacted by violence and natural disaster.

Jesus, be with Your children today. Fill their hearts with Your peace. Amen.

Bringing the Good News Into Your Family

Invite family members to think about things they own and friendships they have. Talk about the things and the friendships that have lasted for a long time, and what has helped them to last. Then talk about the things and the friendships that did not last for long, and why they did not last. Return to the following verses from today's Gospel: "Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away." Explain that part of the reason we go to Mass and we read the Bible at home is to learn the "words [that] will not pass away." They are the words in the Bible. Invite family members to share favorite Scripture passages that help them remember that Jesus is near. You may enjoy reading together Psalm 119:151, Psalm 145:18, Isaiah 41:10, Acts 17:27, and Luke 12:7.

Discussion Starters

Today, make a family action plan to learn more of the "words [that] will not pass away." Decide as a family on a time you will meet to read the Bible. You may want to choose a particular book or particular stories (such as the parables), or you may want to read together the Gospel for the previous or the coming Sunday. Make a commitment to do this one or more times a week for the coming month or more.

Blessings, Have a great week!

November 18, 2018

Are you new to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Parish? WELCOME! If you have not yet registered, please complete a registration form found in the foyer or in the office.

You may bring the completed form to the office

What's Happening This Week

Mon.-Nov. 19 -Bible Study-7:00pm-hall

Tues.-Nov. 20- CGS-Level three-4:30-6:30pm-hall

Tues. -Nov. 20-Adult choir-7:30-church

Thurs.-Nov. 22- KOC-general meeting-7:30pm-hall

On Tuesday, Nov. 27th at the 7:00 pm mass we will commemorate the feast of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal.

Sunday Missals, Advent candles and wreaths will be on sale in the foyer after all masses next weekend.

There will be a commissioning of Eucharistic Ministers old and new at all Masses November 24th and 25th.

Children's Advent Skit: The PPC has decided that this year we will be doing a children's skit for advent. So now we invite the children of the parish who would like to be a part of our Advent Skit to get their parents to email or call Miss June at the office for more information. The date of our performance will be Sunday December 9th at 2:00pm followed by hot chocolate and Christmas cookies.

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS will be serving breakfast next Sunday, November 25th, after both Masses downstairs in the church hall. In addition to our traditional breakfast, our menu will include delicious omelets and best ever homemade waffles topped with fresh whipped cream. The cost is \$7 for adults, \$4 for children, or \$24 for families. Come and enjoy good food and fellowship.

During the flu season, it is acceptable to omit the handshake at the "Sign of Peace". Please note that there are hand sanitizers available at both entrances to the Church.

PRAYER FOR THE HOLY SOULS: Throughout this month of November, let us remember to pray for all our beloved dead and all the souls in Purgatory. As a sign of our prayers, we are invited to write the names of deceased loved ones in the book of remembrance in front of the altar.

Luminescence Concert: The Schola Cantorum Cathedral choir will present a Choral Celebration on Sun., Dec. 2, 3 pm at Notre Dame Cathedral. Works from Elgar, Tavener, Gjello, Whitacre Esenvalds and Rheinberger are featured. Free will offering. Info 613-241-7496.

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Feast of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal

November 27 marks the Feast of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal. On this day, we commemorate the apparition of Our Blessed Mother to Saint Catherine Laboure and celebrate the vision Our Lady revealed to the young saint- the Miraculous Medal. It was in Paris, in the year 1830, part of a period when the Catholic Church was under attack from its many enemies, when "times are evil in France and in the world," as Our Lady said. While doing silent meditation, Saint Catherine had a striking vision of the Blessed Virgin, her beauty indescribable, standing on a globe. Rays of light shone forth from the precious gems on the Blessed Mother's hands symbolizing the graces that she bestows upon us. Catherine saw an oval frame formed around her, bearing the words "O Mary conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee." A voice then said to Catherine, "Have a medal struck after this model. Persons who wear it will receive great graces, especially if they wear it around the neck."

For two years that followed, the Church authorities investigated the events of the apparition, deliberated on the message of Our Lady, and observed Saint Catherine as she went about her daily life as a simple nun. Finally, they approved to have the image struck upon a medal- the one and only medal that Our Blessed Mother herself presented the design. The first batch was produced in 1832. Soon after, the devotion became widespread across the world and the medal was being worn by millions. Stories of healings, conversions, and other miracles started pouring in from the faithful who wear and pray the devotion to the "Medal of the Immaculate Conception," as it was originally called. Because of this, people since then began calling it the "Miraculous Medal." At present, devotion to the Miraculous Medal and wearing it is next to the Holy Rosary in popularity among the traditional Catholic devotions and sacramentals.

On the front, the medal shows Our Mother Mary standing on the globe (Mary, assumed into heaven, is the Queen of Heaven and Earth), as her feet stand on the head of the serpent (Mary is our protection). The oval-shaped medal is circled with the signature, "O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to Thee." At the back of the medal, twelve stars (12 Apostles who formed the first Church) surround a large "M" from which a cross (Jesus' Cross and Redemption) arises. And below the "M" there are two flaming hearts (the burning love of Jesus and Mary for us). The left heart is circled with thorns, which represents Jesus (the Sacred Heart who died for our sins). The right heart, pierced by a sword (her sorrows), symbolizes Mary (the Immaculate Heart who intercedes for us)