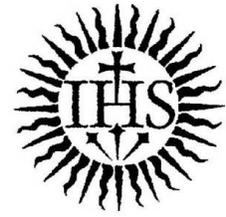




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**33<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**November 13, 2016**

## **POPE FRANCIS' GENERAL AUDIENCE MAY 15<sup>TH</sup>, 2016 [Edits]**

*"I would like to ask the elderly, who have a good memory of history, to look past this throwaway culture that has been forced upon us and dare to dream. We need their dreams, they are a fount of inspiration."*

Pope Francis has said that being old is no time for a rest, but a chance for a new mission in the world.

"We, older people, can remind ambitious young people that a life without love is barren. We can tell fearful young people that worrying about the future can be overcome. We can teach young people who are in love with themselves too much that there is more joy in giving than receiving," he said to those gathered in St. Peter's Square.

"I, too, belong to this age group", recalling with a smile how during his visit to the Philippines in January the people there called him "Lob Kiko — that is, Grandpa Francis."

"It's true that society tends to discard us, but the Lord definitely doesn't. The Lord never rejects us", he said. "In fact, there is a true vocation and mission set aside for older people, who have a lot more free time at their disposal now than before", he said.

"...Being older is certainly different, and so when it comes to finding one's new purpose in the world, older people need to sort of "make it up" as they go along "because our societies are not ready, spiritually and morally, to give this period of life its full worth."

The prayers of the world's grandparents and older people are "a great gift for the Church" and they offer "a great infusion of wisdom for all of society, too, especially for [those who are] too busy, too occupied, too distracted".

"It is truly a mission for grandparents, a vocation for older people," he said, for them to hand down their wisdom and offer encouragement to those who are searching for meaning in life."

"How awful the cynicism of an older person is, he who has lost the meaning of his witness, scorns the young and does not communicate knowledge about life."

He said he was praying for "a Church that challenges the culture of disposal with the overflowing joy of a new embrace between young and old people".

**SCRIPTURE READINGS  
FOR NEXT SUNDAY  
November 20**

*You could read/discuss/pray with your family, with friends or by yourself.*

**First Reading:** 2 Samuel 5:1-3  
**Second Reading:** Colossians 1:12-20  
**Psalm:** 122  
**Gospel:** Luke 23:35-43

**FR. EARL DREAMS**

Sharing our personal and material resources in response to parish and Archdiocesan renewal is ever-positive although not easy to do. Well attended Archdiocesan sponsored meetings this past week awakens us to this simple reality. God offers us a bright future insofar as we choose to take ownership of it and offer our opinions that promote and make possible various parish and Archdiocesan ministries in God's service. Our Catholic faith community is not entering dusk but, rather, is in anticipation of a new dawn! This autumn we are learning to 'talk the talk' and much conversation is optimistic. Very soon we must learn new ways of 'walking the walk'. There go 'we' by God's grace, thanks be to God who loves us.

**SAINTS SPEAK**

Our greatest victories are won on our knees and with empty stomachs.

**Julio C. Ruibal**, martyred Bolivian Christian, advocate of the poor, d. December 1995.

(What "victory" do you seek these days?)

*Our holiness is an effect, not a cause; so long as our eyes are on our own personal whiteness as an end in itself, the thing breaks down. God can do nothing while my interest is in my own personal character—He will take care of this if I obey His call. In learning to love God and people as He commanded us to do, obviously your sanctification cannot but come, but not as an end in itself.*

**Florence Allshorn**, (1887-1950) The Notebooks of Florence Allshorn, Anglican Missionary.

**OUR 'PIUS' SMILE**

My grandmother figured that breakfast time was as good a time as any to get something off her chest. So over morning coffee, she turned to my grandfather and said, "We've been married 56 years and it still seems that you are always correcting me." Grandpa replied, "We've been married 58 years."

**Reader's Digest**, Laughter Still Is The Best Medicine, page 15



**CATHOLIC WOMEN'S  
LEAGUE NOTES**

**Resolutions**

At the National Convention of the CWL, several resolutions were introduced. These will continue to appear in the bulletin over the coming weeks.

**Amend the *Canada Health Act* to Identify Palliative care as an Insured Health Service**

**Whereas** high quality palliative care is neither included nor defined as an insured health service in the *Canada Health Act*, and

**Whereas** currently, there are no uniform standards for palliative care and its delivery in Canada; and

**Whereas** quality palliative care is only available to 16-30% of Canadians; and

**Whereas** the World Health Organization defines that palliative, "... provides relief from pain and other distressing symptoms, affirms life, regards dying as a normal process, intends neither to hasten nor postpone death, integrates the psychological and spiritual aspects of patient care ..."; therefore, be it

**Resolved** that the National Council of the Catholic Women's League of Canada, in 96<sup>th</sup> annual National Convention assembled, urge the federal government to identify palliative care as an insured health service covered under the *Canada Health Act*; and to develop a national strategy for uniform standards and delivery of palliative care as defined by the World Health Organization, and be it further

**Resolved** that the ten provincial councils urge their provincial/territorial governments to provide palliative care as an insured service covered under their provincial/territorial health act as deemed prudent/necessary.

**Action:** Write to Hon. Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister; Hon. Jane Philpott, Minister of Health; and Hon. Nick Whalen, Federal Minister.

**Christmas Pyjamas**

The CWL will continue the hugely successful *pyjama project* this year. If any parishioners want to donate new pyjamas, boxes labeled "**Christmas Pyjamas**", will be placed at the Church and Chapel entrances **November 12, 13<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>, 2016**. **Deadline for donations is November 27<sup>th</sup>**. Many thanks in advance for your continued generosity.

**Advent Dinner**

The CWL is inviting all parishioners and friends to join us for an **Advent Dinner and Prayer Service** on **Wednesday, December 7**. Doors open at 5:30 pm. **Dinner** will begin at **6 pm**. **Tickets, \$20.**, can be purchased by contacting **Cecilia Fitzpatrick - 722-2648** or the **Parish Office - 754-0170**.

## FIRST SPIRITUAL EXERCISES - UPDATE

Participants of the *First Spiritual Exercises* (Workshops) are invited to a gathering on **Wednesday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2016, 7 pm** in the **Church**. There will be follow up reflection and a prayer 'taster' to share with each other.

## JESUIT NEWS

**Father Erik Oland, SJ**, has been named the next *Provincial of French Canada Province*. In two years time Erik will continue on in his ministry as Provincial for the soon-to-be formed Canada Province which will include men from both linguistic groups in our country. Some of us will recall his having been an assistant teacher at Gonzaga High School many moons ago. He was active in our parish choir as he has musical abilities AND he was confirmation leader alongside Maria Kelsey, our Parish's Pastoral Assistant.

**Jesuit Volunteers Canada (JVC)** is a formation program, where young adults live out the values of Christian spirituality, social and eco-justice, community, and simple living. Placement opportunities include working with First Nations communities, young adult programming, community development and outreach, education, food justice, and working with the urban poor. Jesuit Volunteers Canada is currently accepting applications for September 2017 with possible communities and work placements in northern Ontario, Toronto and Regina.

**For more information** visit [www.jesuitvolunteers.ca](http://www.jesuitvolunteers.ca) or call 519-820-8204. JVC is part of a 50-year movement dedicated to inspiring young adults! The JVC webpage can be accessed on our Parish's website.

## NOTES OF THANKS

A sincere "*Thank You*" to our faith community of St. Pius X for all your prayers, support and kindness shown to us over the past year. It has been a driving force in trying to regain my present level of health and well being. Let us continue to keep each other in daily prayer. *Ever grateful, Pat and Lucy Fleming*

Let us offer our thanks to three parishioners, *Christine Warren, Shirley MacNeil, and Mabel Ryan* who exercised their artistic abilities to create the visually striking **Remembrance Day** sanctuary displays.

## OFFERTORY COLLECTION

**October 29 and 30:** \$3,295.15

**November 5 and 6:** \$3,564.15

**Thank you for your continued generous support.**

## SYRIAN FAMILY UPDATE

We thank all parishioners for your continued prayerful support of our Syrian family.

Fawaz, Alaa and baby Abeer have had many challenges since their arrival in our city. Not the least of these challenges are health concerns for Abeer. She is very fortunate to be receiving top quality medical care in a very timely manner. Despite these difficulties she is a very happy little girl. How fortunate we are that they were able to leave the uncertainty of their life in Jordan to come to Newfoundland where these problems can be addressed.

In partnership with the ANC we continue to assist them as they manage these issues and, at the same time, deal with learning English and settling into life in their new community.

Please continue to help by keeping this young family in your prayers.

## PRAYER FOR RENEWAL

In this year of Archdiocesan renewal we seek your guidance Holy Spirit, conscious of our sinfulness but aware that you accompany us on our faith journey through life.

Enlighten our hearts with your Holy Word so that we may know your will as we seek your wisdom for the good of all members of your Church.

Unite us closer to Jesus that we may love the Eucharist and pray that our Church be blest with vocations as disciples of the Lord Jesus Christ. Especially bless our clergy and laity as they serve you with humility, mercy and great generosity.

Bless our Archbishop, +Martin Currie, and the Planning Committee as they listen to the voice of your people. May all of our discussions and reflections please you and allow us to envision change that fosters continued growth in your service as Catholic Newfoundlanders.

We ask this Lord through the intercession of our Blessed Mother Mary and our patron St. John Baptist. **Amen**

## MESSAGE TO SISTER FAUSTINA

As Pope Francis has declared this The Year of Mercy, it is a good time to reflect on Christ's message of mercy. Jesus chose Sister Faustina, a Polish nun canonized by St. Pope John Paul II in 2000, to be an instrument in spreading His message of Mercy. Through numerous visions and revelations to her, He revealed His requests clearly outlined in two pamphlets which will be distributed after the Sunday, 11 am Mass this weekend.

## Calendar of Services, Mass Intentions and Activities

Sun.	Nov. 13	8:30 am 11:00 am <b>7:00 pm</b>	Mass Mass <b>MUN Roman Catholic Chaplaincy Mass - St. John's College Chapel</b>	33 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time 33 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time
Mon.	Nov. 14	9:30 am <b>1:00 pm</b> 7:30 pm	Mass <b>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - Chapel</b> Mass	Mary Margaret Wadden George Tobin
Tues.	Nov. 15	9:30 am 7:30 pm	Mass Mass	Peter McCarthy Deceased Members of the CWL
Wed.	Nov. 16	9:30 am <b>7:30 pm</b>	Mass <b>Parish Council Meeting - Church Library</b>	Frances Peet and Marie Brazil
Thurs.	Nov. 17	9:30 am <b>7:30 pm</b>	Mass <b>Choir Practice - Church</b>	Patricia Doyle
Fri.	Nov. 18	9:30 am	Mass	Bindon and Carew Families
Sat.	Nov. 19	9:30 am 4:45 pm	Mass Mass	Gerald Malone CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY
Sun.	Nov. 20	8:30 am 11:00 am <b>2:00 pm</b> <b>7:00 pm</b>	Mass Mass <b>Christmas Bazaar - Parish Hall</b> <b>MUN Roman Catholic Chaplaincy Mass - St. John's College Chapel</b>	CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY

**WEBSITES:** Three to recommend are:

[www.jesuits.ca](http://www.jesuits.ca) [www.ignatianspirituality.com](http://www.ignatianspirituality.com) [www.jesuitresources.org](http://www.jesuitresources.org)

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:** Saturday: 3:30 - 4:20 pm  
Tuesday: 6:40 - 7:20 pm

**TIMES OF MASSES:** Monday and Tuesday: 9:30 am and 7:30 pm  
Wednesday, Thursday and Friday: 9:30 am  
Saturday: 9:30 am and 4:45 pm; Sunday: 8:30 and 11 am

**BAPTISMS:** *Second Sunday* of the month. **Time:** 1 pm in the Church.  
Please call the Parish Office (754-0170) **ONE MONTH** in advance  
**PRE-BAPTISMAL COURSE:** *Call the Parish Office for more details.*

**MARRIAGES:** By appointment **SIX MONTHS** in advance  
*Marriage Preparation Course required*

**OFFICE HOURS:** Monday - Friday, 9 am - 12 noon and 12:30 - 4:30 pm;  
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