

# THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – November 15, 2015

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## Mass Intentions this week

**Please note: Weekday Masses are celebrated in the Rectory Chapel unless otherwise indicated.**

*Nov. 17<sup>th</sup> to Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup>*

Tuesday 6:30 pm †Mark Spencer

Wednesday 9:00 am †Intentions of Murial Bunkiewicz and Ann Chamberlain

Saturday 5:00 pm †Msgr. Roger Formosi, Kay Cook, David Cheevers, Joseph Colombo, Jeanie Harding, deceased members of the Dawson & Gallant families, Intentions of Lyle



## Sanctuary Lamp this week

Intentions of Margaret Boyle and repose of her soul. Requests accepted by placing an envelope with the name of loved one and a donation of \$10 in the collection basket.

| DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR |                              |
|--------------------------|------------------------------|
| Monday, November 16      | Rev. Janusz Roginski, S.A.C. |
| Tuesday, November 17     | Rev. Andrew Lopatniuk        |
| Wednesday, November 18   | Eudiste Fathers C.J.M.       |
| Thursday, November 19    | Rev Francis Trzuppek         |
| Friday, November 20      | Rev. Joseph Vano             |
| Saturday, November 21    | Rev. Mark Sullivan           |

**OFFERTORY** for last week was \$2994.50 and our Budget expenses for the week \$5,580.00.

## BOOK OF LIFE:

This weekend you are invited to write in our “Book of Life” names of deceased relatives and friends. These loved ones of ours will be remembered at the Masses during November, the month dedicated to all Souls

## WELCOME!

As mentioned, we welcome at the 9:30 am Mass this weekend Chaplain Andrew Hall of St. John College and his “Worship band”. They will lead us in some of the hymns.

## FLU SEASON:

As you know, we are now in “flu Season”.

Two implications at Mass are these:

- The sign of peace can be offered with a bow of the head instead of a handshake. As we know it is important to wash our hands regularly.
- It is preferable to receive Holy Communion in the hand (i.e.) it is more hygienic for the person distributing the host.

## Catholic Quotes on Family

The family, grounded on marriage freely contracted, monogamous and indissoluble, is and must be considered the first and essential cell of human society.

## MEDITATION

Recent times have provided horrendous tragedies throughout the world: tsunamis, earthquakes, hurricanes, civil wars and other horrific events. Reading Daniel and then hearing Jesus speak about the end times, we do get the strong feeling that history has been, and constantly will be, plagued by what the prophet calls “a time of anguish” and Jesus calls “a time of suffering.” Most of these signs are caused by nature and, however fearful they are, none should be considered as fateful or, even less so, as a punishment from God in anger.

Nowadays we have been made sensitive to the fact that nature alone is not to blame. We too have our share of responsibility in the dramatic changes in nature and climate. We too are responsible or complicit in the mistrust between religion, races and countries that fuels conflicts.

Nevertheless, both Daniel and Jesus emphasize not the dark side of human history but the bright side of God’s saving plan. The end times lie in the hands of God who sends out the archangel Michael to protect his people when persecuted and, ultimately, Jesus, “the Son of Man coming in clouds’ with great power and glory.” When contemplating the future of humankind, Christians are never to yield to fatality or fear. For do we not wait in joyful hope for the coming of our Savior?

Jean-Pierre Prévost, Chénéville, QC

## WANTED A PART-TIME CUSTODIAN:

Paul Reansbury, our part-time custodian has accepted a full time position with St. Pius X Parish in town.

If you are interested in a part-time custodial position with St. Basil Parish, please submit a curriculum vita to Father Earl by November 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2015

We thank Paul for his dedicated service to us.

## EAT AND RUN?

We have always considered it rude to “eat and run” as a guest in someone’s home. We are guests at the Eucharist and should stay until the final hymn, which is a prayer.

**SUNDAY MISSALS:** Our new Liturgical year begins the weekend of Nov. 28<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> with the beautiful Season of **ADVENT** (it is not Christmas yet!)

New Missals for this New Year are available at the back of the church for \$5.00 each.

## INTERNATIONAL PRIEST DAYS:

In our Diocese we have more than 50 priests who were born in a Country other than Canada.

Bishop Crosby wants to make these priests feel welcome and assist them in adaptation to our Canadian culture. Father Earl forms part of the Committee to assist in this endeavor. There will be two days of enculturation for some of the more recently arrived priests – from Wednesday until Friday this coming week. Please pray for all participants.

## CONFIRMATION SPONSOR

A sponsor for Confirmation needs to fulfill the same requirements as a Baptism Godparent (see note above).

A parent cannot be the sponsor of his/her own child. The sponsor represents the wider community of the Church.

The first choice for a Confirmation sponsor is the Godparent of Baptism to demonstrate the intimate bond between these two Sacraments.

## AMEN

Please remember to respond “Amen” in an audible voice upon receiving Holy Communion. “Amen” means “I believe” this is “The Body of Christ.”

**Catholic Women’s League** – general meeting is **Tuesday Nov 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.** in the rectory meeting room immediately following 6:30 pm Mass All women are invited to hear guest speaker, Lianne Vreugdenhil, Senior Paralegal and Legal Assistant discuss Estate Planning: The importance of wills & P.O.A.’S. Business meeting and social time to follow.

**“December 8, 2015” please save the date for our annual Advent Dinner. Details to follow!!**

You’re invited to **Behold His Glory**: Come worship the Lord *“in spirit and truth”* (Jn 4:24). Join us as the faithful gather to worship Jesus, the Lord of glory; through an evening of prayer, song, intercession, silence, teaching and blessing. Friday November 20th, beginning at 7:14 p.m., at St. Joseph’s church, Brant Ave., Brantford.

**Healing Mass for Those Mourning the Loss of a Child** – Losing a child is a painful and life-altering experience for parents, grandparents and other family members. The feeling of loss, regardless of the amount of time that has passed, is often more profound during the Christmas season. A Diocesan Healing Mass, meant to bring hope to all those trying to cope with such grief, is planned at the **Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King for Sunday, November 29, 2015 at 4 pm.** Any one who has lost a child of any age from any cause, including those that have lost a child prior to birth, or

who have had a still birth are invited to this Mass celebrated by Bishop Daniel Miehm. **God is close to those who mourn, come and experience His healing presence.** Registration is preferred, but not necessary, as it will assist us in knowing how many spaces to reserve and to ensure we have enough of the small memento each family will receive. Please call Lena at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249, or register on-line at [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com).



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## EMERGENCY

As cold weather quickly approaches we have, at the Valu Shoppe, a severe shortage of winter clothing, specifically men’s casual winter coats, hats & gloves and clothes for children’s sizes 7-16, especially winter coats & boots. Please think of us as you check your own supply of such items in preparation for winter. Any item that would otherwise be hanging in a closet unused would be much appreciated by our neighbours in need. Drop these and all donations off at the store (197 Colborne St.) during store hours (Tues-Fri 10-4, Sat. 10-3).

*From Luke 3:11. Let the man with two tunics share with him who has none ...*

## Society of Saint Vincent de Paul Advent Retreat

Dec. 10<sup>th</sup>, 7 p.m. at Blessed Sacrament Church, 181 King St., Burford.

Facilitator: Sr. Margo Ritchie, CSJ Topic: HOW DO WE RECEIVE GOD TODAY? All Vincentians and those who support them are welcome.

## Coping with the Holidays...when you have lost a loved one.

Join us for an afternoon of reflection and strategies for coping at Christmas, facilitated by Christina Walton, Grief Counsellor.

**Where?** Chancery Office, 700 King St. W, Hamilton

**When?** Sunday, November 29<sup>th</sup> **Time?** 1:30 – 3:00 pm

**The event is FREE of charge.** Please call to reserve a seat 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

(If you haven’t registered you are still free to attend.)

## CHILDREN ARE QUICK

Teacher: Why are you late?

Student: Class started before I got here.