

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME NOVEMBER 12, 2017

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Mass Intentions this week



November 14 – 19, 2017

Tuesday 6:30 pm Intentions of Nick and Melanie Feijo
Wednesday 12: noon †Adeline Haber
Thursday 12: noon †deceased members of the Tran family
Friday 12:noon Intentions of Frank Hingman
Saturday 5:00 pm †Jeannie Harding, Gerard Spelier, Fernando Dicresco, Giovanni & Adeline Deciants & family, Porchak Family



Sanctuary Lamp this week

Intentions of: The Gallant Family and repose of their souls. Requests accepted by placing an envelope with the name of loved one and a donation of \$10 in the collection basket. Thank you.

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

This week we especially pray for:

Monday Rev. Fernando Pinto, C.S.Sp.
Tuesday Very Rev. Msgr. Murray Kroetsch
Wednesday: Deceased Priests of the Hamilton Diocese
Thursday Rev. Michael King
Friday Rev. Paul Hrynczyszyn
Saturday Rev. Robert Kiffman

Eternal Father, we lift up to you these and all the priests, religious and lay ministers of the world. Sanctify them. Heal them; guide them. Mold them into the likeness and holiness of your Son, Jesus, the Eternal High Priest. May their lives be pleasing to you. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

OFFERTORY: Thank you!

Envelopes	\$3,331.25
Loose Collections:	\$ 553.00
Average Weekly Preauthorized	\$ 485.00
Total Weekly Offering Nov. 5, 2017	\$4,369.25
Budget expenses for the week	\$4,265.00

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Keep awake, therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.” Listen with your heart as well as with your ears for then you may accept the call to serve in the priesthood, diaconate or consecrated life. If God is calling you, contact Fr. Michael King, Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988, e-mail: mking@hamiltondiocese.com

MEDITATION

The parable of the ten bridesmaids used to strike me as unreasonably harsh. Why, I wondered, were the “wise” ones so unhelpful to their “foolish” sisters? Could they not have simply shared their oil? Further reflection, however, brings to light some other aspects of the story.

In some respects the ten are all the same. All of them fall asleep. Later on, all are called to accompany the bridegroom into the wedding banquet.

What distinguishes five of them as wise, however, is that they have come *prepared*. When the call is heard, therefore, they are the ones who are ready and able to respond. The others are foolish because, though they hear the same call, they are not in a state of readiness to answer that summons.

Note the importance of the words “wise,” “ready” and “awake.” We hear in them echoes of the first reading’s description of wisdom: she is given to those “who desire her,” who “rise early to seek her,” who are “vigilant.”

In our efforts to be faithful disciples we need to be *available*, to be always open to God’s call whenever it comes, even – or especially – in places of darkness and unexpectedness. God understands our weaknesses and our failings. The disposition of our hearts is what makes all the difference.

Krystyna Higgins, Guelph, ON
Novalis, Living with Christ

SACRAMENTS – Registration forms for the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion and for Confirmation for 2018 are now available on the welcome desk in church.

Please inform family, friends and neighbours that they do not register through the schools. Sacraments are parish celebrations.

Our initial Parent and Candidate for Confirmation session is **Tuesday, Nov. 21st at 7 pm**, in our parish hall

The Children's Liturgy Program is underway again this year during the 9:30 am Mass. Children, ages 4-8, are invited to participate in this weekly program that focuses on the Sunday readings and teaches foundational catechism. This is a great opportunity for children to get together, ask questions and share their ideas on how we can all live the Gospel. This class also serves as a supplement for any sacrament preparation that children are receiving at home and school. Please encourage your children to try us out!

NEW PARISHIONERS:

Welcome! Recently we have welcomed families from Mexico, Dryden, Mississauga, India, Jamaica, Vietnam, and the Philippines! Please make everyone feel at home in our parish family. Even muster up the courage to introduce yourself and welcome them to our parish family. Our family is growing – thanks be to God!

SPIRITUAL READING

Available for prayer, reading, and reflection are two sources on various tables in the Church:

- The Sunday Missal for 2017-2018 Liturgical year - \$5.00 each. This contains many prayers at the back, including the mysteries of the Rosary, and the Stations of the Cross
- The Word Among Us – for all of Advent and Christmas week. \$2.00 each

THANK YOU:

To all who attended last Sunday Evening's Concert: an evening of classical music. Also, gratitude is extended to those who assisted in any way. Most of all thank you to the "big three": Cecilia Kowara, our classical singer, her mother Ellen on piano, and Roger Bayley on both piano and organ. A special thanks to Cecilia's grandmother, Margaret Keefe. It was "magnifique"!

NEW DOORS

This past week four new doors were installed at the front of our church... they are beautiful. They too will welcome our new parishioners and all of us. Thanks to tireless volunteer, Daniel Leclair, and our dedicated custodian, Curtis Arthur and spouse, Pauline.

GOOD NEWS

Some happy news will be announced this weekend at our Masses. Details will be printed in next week's bulletin!

IN FLANDERS FIELDS

In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place: and in the sky
The larks still bravely singing fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the dead: Short days ago,
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved: and now we lie
In Flanders fields!

Take up our quarrel with the foe
To you, from failing hands, we throw
The torch: be yours to hold it high
If ye break faith with us who die,
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow

In Flanders fields.

Knights of Columbus - St Basil Council #13442[
Mass at 6:30 PM in the Chapel - **Meeting** Tuesday
Nov 14, 2017 in the Rectory meeting room 7:00 pm
Parish Breakfast Today - Sunday November 12, 2017
8:30 am – 11:30 am.
Hall (Crown St) - Knights of Columbus

PARISH COFFEE – *Sunday, November 26th*,
immediately following the 9:30 am Mass. Please join us
for this time of fellowship. Donation of treats is always
appreciated.

ADULT EDUCATION SERIES

Here at our parish; for one hour on the following
Wednesday evenings at the Rectory:

Nov. 22nd – 6:30 7:30 pm – Scripture – Old Testament

Nov. 29th – 6:30 – 7:30 pm Scripture – New Testament

Dec. 6th – 6:30 – 7:30 pm - Praying with Scripture

Dec. 13th – 6:30 – 7:30 pm - Saints for Advent

Before these dates, a church tour will be offered after our
three Masses on the weekend of November 18/19th. All
are welcome.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE NEWS

Save the date, *Sunday, December 3rd*, we are trying something
new – **ADVENT LUNCHEON**. All women are invited to
join us for a potluck luncheon immediately following the
11:30 am Mass. Please bring your own place setting and a
salad, vegetable dish or dessert to share. We will supply the
turkey. Members will vote on an increase in membership fees
requested by the Hamilton Diocesan Council.

General meeting, *Tuesday, November 28*: Mass at 6:30 pm in
the chapel; business meeting at 7 pm in the rectory meeting
room. Kelly Kenny will instruct in making a Christmas craft.

2018 C.W. L. MEMBERSHIP DRIVE – Annual
Membership dues are \$21.00. Cash is preferable or a cheque
made out to St. Basil Church C.W.L. Please write your name,
address, phone No. and a verification of your e-mail address if
you would like to be updated on our C.W.L. monthly
meetings. Come see us at the back of the church before and
after all three weekend Masses in November.

Thank you, Pat Renaud, Membership Convener.

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OUR ANNIVERSARY BULLETIN?** Spaces are
available. If you can fill these empty spaces, please call
Bialas Printing at 519-752-4268. Thank you!

SACRED HEART TEA AND BAZAAR - *Saturday
November 18th from 1 – 3 pm at Sacred Heart School,*
Paris, on Grandville Circle Road, off Rest Acres Rd turn
right on Cobble Stone.

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE

Why is it that at class reunions you feel younger than
everyone else looks?