

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, OCTOBER 28, 2018

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Mass Intentions this week



Tuesday 7:00 pm †Elmer Balla
Wednesday 9:00 am †William MacDonald, Holy Souls in purgatory
Thursday 7:00 pm †Holy Souls in Purgatory
Friday 9:00 am †Holy Soul in Purgatory
Saturday 5:00 pm †Betty Scicluna, Harley Taimre, Pietro & Maria Speranga, Dircsee Fernando & Family, Holy Souls in Purgatory



Sanctuary Lamp this week

Intentions: For all I promised to pray for. 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, October 29	Rev. Charles Jordan
Tuesday, October 30	Rev. Mark Sullivan
Wednesday, October 31	Deceased Members of our Parish Community
Thursday, November 1	Rev. Mike Francis
Friday, November 2	Rev. Adam Voisin
Saturday, November 3	Rev. Luc Augustin Samba

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!

Sunday Envelopes	\$3,508.00
00Loose Collections:	\$ 456.38
Average Weekly Preauthorized	<u>\$ 692.00</u>
Total Weekly Offering August 26 th	\$4,656.38
Budget expenses for the week	\$4,265.00

ADORATION

Every Wednesday morning after the 9:00 am Mass until 11:00 a.m.

Adult Formation program. One of the things that is lacking most in our life of faith is a good understanding of the teachings of our faith and how to respond to some difficult questions people might have about our Catholic faith. For instance, how would you respond to an Atheist who says that God doesn't exist? Or how would you defend the authenticity of the Gospels to those who claim that they were all fabricated and are not real historical documents? I would like to invite you to our **Adult Formation evenings every second Thursday after the 7:00 pm Mass** and learn how to respond to some difficult questions you might have about your faith.

Here are the topics being covered:

November 1st: Why be Catholic?
November 15th: Jesus' Resurrection
November 29th: Transgenderism
December 13th: Same-Sex Marriage
January 3rd: Helping People Return to the Church
January 17th: Explaining the Eucharist
January 31st: Evil and Suffering

Youth Basketball at St. Basils

Boys and girls from 10-15 years of age are invited to come out every two weeks to have a fun and competitive night playing pick-up basketball.

Bring your own water, but snacks will be provided.

Every second Friday

Start time is 7:00 pm and ends at 8:30 pm.

Adult supervision will be provided.

Here is the schedule:

November 9th
November 23rd
December 14th
January 11th
January 25th

C.W.L. NEWS

Milk bags – The CWL is collecting clean outer bags to make plastic sleeping mats for Canadian Food for Children. Please **place the bags in the bin at the back of the church.**

Parish Coffee – Today **October 28th** from 8:00 to 11:30 a.m., in the parish hall immediately following the 9:30 am Mass. Come and meet some of our parish family. Donations of treats are always appreciated.

SACRAMENTS –

Our initial Parent meeting for the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Eucharist (grades 2 and higher) is - *Wednesday Nov. 7th at 7 pm* in our parish hall. *Your Baptism Certificate is required, unless you were Baptized at St. Basil Parish.*

Our initial Parent and Candidate meeting for the *Sacrament of Confirmation* is Wednesday, Nov. 21st at 7 pm also in our parish hall. *Your Baptism certificate is required unless you were Baptized at St. Basil Parish.*

VENDOR MARKETPLACE AND BAKE SALE COMING!

Saturday December 1, (9am – 2pm) we are once again hosting our Vendor Marketplace. If you are a vendor and would like to attend please email JoAnne at joanne.hodd@yahoo.ca or call (519-754-4392) to register. Tables are \$30 plus a gift to auction and are 6 ft long. We will give preference to St Basil parishioners until Sept 30.

We will also be including our excellent bake sale and candy table so if you can donate some of your delicious treats we would be so happy and forever grateful for sure! Volunteers please contact JoAnne at the above. Many thanks for your continued support of our parish activities. St Basil Fun & Fundraising Committee.

SHOE BOX CAMPAIGN

With the Fall fast approaching, the Shoebox Committee would like to ask parishioners, if possible, to acquire their own shoe box. If that is not possible we will still have some available. Boxes and notes will be available after Thanksgiving. Many thanks for your ongoing support.

THE PREGNANCY AND RESOURCE CENTRE-BRANT is celebrating their 25th ANNIVERSARY with a Gala Dinner and Auction on Friday, *November 2, 2018*.

Please join us to support and celebrate this most important prolife service in our Community. The auction begins at 5 pm and the dinner at 6 pm. The evening will be held at the Best Western, 19 Holiday Dr., Brantford and it is a fundraiser...

Please call Theresa Mombourquette @519 751-1100 or the "PRC"@ 519 756-4992 to RSVP as soon as possible.

St. Ann's Annual Christmas Bazaar

120 Sherman Ave. N. at Barton St. E., Hamilton 905-544-0488 - Sat. Nov. 17th 2pm to 7pm; Sun. Nov. 18th 11am to 1pm - Mammoth Penny Sale, Café, Baked Goods,
Major Raffle items, 50/50-Wheelchair accessible.

ANNUAL BAZAAR - Sacred Heart Parish CWL, hosts its Annual Christmas Tea & Bazaar, *Saturday November 17th* from 1:00 till 3:00 p.m. @ Sacred Heart School, 180 Grandville Circle, Paris. The Bazaar offers: Bake Table, Craft Table, White Elephant Table, Silent Auctions and Raffles. A light lunch can be purchased.

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE

Retreat Day: "Come to the Water", Dr. Anne Jamieson, Saturday, November 10, 9:30 to 3:15 pm at Ignatius Jesuit Centre in Guelph, St. Brigid's Villa \$20.00 per person. Call 519-833-4479 or 289-396-0672 to reserve your place.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 1679

Charity Breakfast, Sunday *November 4th* 9:00 am to noon, at Knights of Columbus hall, **12 Catharine Av., Brantford**. All you can eat – Adult \$8.00; Child under 12 \$4.00. Proceeds to Birthright.

30th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Do you know what you want? Really Want? Sometimes we act like we want things that we do not need, which might be harmful for us. Or are we blind because we have not thought it through, are being impulsive, or have not dug deep enough into our heart and soul to see what we want?

Try keeping it simple – an act that requires confidence and humility.

Bartimaeus follows this principle. He knows what he wants – his sight. Furthermore, he has faith that he will get his sight even before he asks for the miracle from Jesus. He casts aside his cloak – hardly an act of a blind person who could not find anything within reach. Jesus uses the same economy; he cures Bartimaeus and reveals the key to the cure.

How many of us cling to things that interfere with getting closer to God? Often, we wear them like a cloak – envy, gluttony, greed or avarice, lust, pride, sloth and wrath. These sins are often confused with what we need and want, and we sometimes try to justify hanging onto them. But in the end, we find that they distance us from God.

The miraculous key that Jesus identified is faith. Do we have the courage to fling off the cloak? It is that simple – faith can help us find the way when we are blinded by confusion over what is important. Faith will save us.

Patrick M. Doyle, Carleton Place, ON
Novalis, Living with Christ.