
St Patrick's Parish Bulletin



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**31th Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 2nd & November 3rd, 2019**

“Zacchaeus in the sycamore, the blind man by the way side: upon the one our Lord waits to show mercy, upon the other He confers the great glory of abiding in his house. The chief among the Publicans is here fitly introduced. For who will hereafter despair of himself, now that he attains to grace who gained his living by fraud. And he too moreover a rich man, that we may know that not all rich men are envious.” (Titus of Bostra, Bishop)

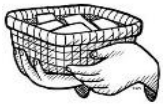


“The Son of Man came to seek out and save the lost” (Luke 19: 1-10)

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	Confessions: They are heard before Mass upon request. The Pastor is also available to hear you every Saturday from 14:30-15:30.

Ministers and servers	Saturday November 2 nd 16:00	Sunday November 3 rd 10:00	Saturday November 9 th 16:00	Sunday November 10 th 10:00
READERS	Steven Neatt	John Harberlin	CWL members	Tom Brzozowski
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SERVERS	Volunteers Needed	Gagnon family	Volunteers Needed	Gagnon family
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OFFERTORY COLLECTION	Volunteers Needed	Volunteers Needed	Volunteers Needed	Volunteers Needed
COFFEE ASSISTANCE	N/A	Volunteers needed	N/A	Volunteers Needed



The Collections for the weekend of October 19st and October 20nd and from St. Brigid's Home were \$609.00. We thank you for your continuing generosity.

Mass			Mass Intentions	
Day	Date	Liturgy	For	From
Saturday	November 2 nd (16:00)	31 th Sunday in OT	Alphonsus & Donna Kane	J. Kane
Sunday	November 3 rd (10:00)	31 th Sunday in OT	John C. Kane	J. Kane
Monday	November 4 th (11h30)	Saint Charles Borromeo		
Tuesday	November 5 th (11h30)	30 th Sunday in OT		
Wednesday	November 6 th (11h30)	30 th Sunday in OT	Elmar & Brigid Kane	J. Kane
Thursday	November 7 th	No Mass	No Mass	No Mass
Friday	November 8 th (11:30)		<i>Pro Populo</i>	
Saturday	November 9 th (16:00)	32 th Sunday in OT	CWL Memorial Mass	CWL
Sunday	November 10 th (10:00)	32 th Sunday in OT	Hugh & Dorothea Kane family	J. Kane



Our Parish serves the English-speaking Catholic Community of the Archdiocese of Quebec. We wish to be a welcoming community to all in need of one, to open our doors to all who need a family or the brotherly love of Christ. For more information, please contact the Office.



The Wedding Anniversary Mass will be held on Saturday November 16th at 16:00. If your anniversary of marriage this year is a multiple of 5 (5-10-15-20...), please contact the Office if you would like to be part of the ceremony.



We have the **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** before the Saturday Mass. Between 14:30 and 15:30, the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed and Father Lussier will be available to hear **Confessions** or for private consultations. **Confessions** are also heard before each Mass upon request. Our families and our Congregation are in great need of prayer; please come and join our Pastor for Adoration.



Please note that on Sunday November 10th, we will have our traditional Remembrance Day Ceremony before our 10:00 AM Mass. Please remember to wear your poppy which Canadian doctor John McCrae immortalized in his poem *In Flanders Fields* over 100 years ago.



Thank you, all parishioners, who donated and participated in the Harvest Meet and Greet Soup and desert event. Our CWL Memorial Mass is coming up November 9th with a remembrance tea beginning at 2:00 followed by Mass at 4:00. Dec 1st we will have our Wine Basket Raffle fundraising event. For more information, for prayers or to become a member, please contact our president, Marie White, at [418-254-0510](tel:418-254-0510) or mariewhite.qc@gmail.com. Blessings to all.

«Zaccheus, come down quickly for I must stay at your house today»

Today, it looks as if the Evangelic narrative was the accomplishment of the parable of the Pharisee and the tax collector (cf. Lk 18:9-14). Humbly and sincerely, the tax collector was praying from the bottom of his heart: «O God, be merciful to me a sinner» (Lk 18:13); and, today, we contemplate how Jesus Christ honors Zaccheus' repentance by forgiving him, the Jericho chief tax collector, a wealthy and influent man, though hated and underrated by his neighbors, who felt bled by him: «Zaccheus, come down quickly for I must stay at your house today» (Lk 19:5). The divine forgiveness provokes the conversion of Zaccheus; this is one of the originalities of the Gospel: God's forgiveness is free; it is not that God forgives us because of our conversion, but the other way round: God's mercy sort of impels us to feel grateful and reciprocate accordingly.

As Jesus, on his way to Jerusalem, passes through Jericho, Jesus passes through our life, today and every day, and calls us by name. Zaccheus had never seen Jesus before, but he had heard of him and was curious to know more about such famous master. Jesus, instead, did know Zaccheus and the miseries of his life. Jesus was aware of the fact Zaccheus had enriched himself to the injury of others and was, therefore, hated and rejected by his fellow citizens; this is why He passed through Jericho, to rescue him from that well: «The Son of Man has come to seek and to save the lost» (Lk 19:10).

The encounter between the Master and the tax collector totally changed the latter's life. After having listened to this Gospel, ponder over the opportunity God is offering you, which you cannot neglect: Jesus Christ passes through your life and calls you by name, because He loves you and He wants to save you. Which well did you fall in? As Zaccheus climbed up to that tree better to see Jesus, you can now climb up to the Cross along with Jesus and you will know who is He, you will know the immensity of his love, inasmuch as if «The chief among the Publicans is here fitly introduced: For who will hereafter despair of himself, now that he attains to grace who gained his living by fraud?» (St. Ambrose).

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