

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time November 5, 2017

*Those who have died in the faith are safe in God's hands,
and God will wipe away every tear.*

Farewell to Fr. Murray

It is with great sadness that we announce that Fr. Greg Murray, our Associate Pastor, will be leaving Good Shepherd Parish at the end of December. Father has been appointed by his religious superior to serve in a parish in the Archdiocese of Montreal and will begin his new assignment there in January. We have been blessed to have Father as a part of our Good Shepherd Parish Community since August 2016 and will be sad to see him go. We wish Fr. Murray all the best in his new pastoral assignment and reassure him of our prayers and our affection in Christ. A farewell reception will be held in Father's honour on *Gaudete* Sunday (the 3rd Sunday of Advent, December 17) after the 11:15 am Mass. All are cordially invited.

Remembrance Day services

November 11 & 12: At all masses on this weekend, veterans (serving and/or retired), their spouses, and the widows and widowers of veterans will be recognized for their dedication and service to Canada. For this special occasion, medals should be worn if possible. After the 11:15 Mass on Sunday, the Knights of Columbus will host a reception in honour of Brother Knights who gave their lives for the safety and security of Canada. A rollcall will be made by the Grand Knight during the reception. All parishioners are invited.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 9005 CHARITY AUCTION –

Friday, November 10th at 7:00 pm. The cost of the event is \$5.00. Proceeds from the auction will go to the Christmas Food Hampers/Food Banks in the community. Donations of cash or unused/new items would be appreciated. Items can be dropped off of **Friday, November 10th from 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm.**

40 Days for Life -a daily prayer vigil is being held across from an abortion facility at 65 Bank Street daily from 7 am to 7 pm, until 05 Nov. Prayer warriors are welcome. The mid-point rally is this Sunday evening at 7 PM at the corner of Bank and Sparks Streets.

Post Abortion healing retreat takes place Friday 10 - Sunday 12 Nov. For additional information visit www.rachelsvineyard.org or call Lynda or Terry Munroe 613-806-5522 rivr_ottawa@yahoo.ca

Ordination to Diaconate: Mr. John Orban will be ordained to the diaconate at Holy Spirit Parish, Stittsville on **Sat., Nov. 11 at the 5:00 p.m. Mass.** All are invited to attend the ordination and to keep John in your prayers.

Offering for October 29, 2017

Sunday Envelopes:	\$ 1877.00
PAC/Visa/MC	\$ 2660.00
Loose:	\$ 224.00
Total Collection:	\$ 4761.00

Our financial requirements are approx. **\$8,000** per week to support our approx. **\$2,000** a week mortgage payment.

Fr. Shroff's Corner

November is a very special month in the Church's liturgical year. It is the month that is dedicated to the souls in Purgatory. There is a striking contrast between the liturgy of All Saints' Day on November 1 and All Souls' Day on November 2. The jubilation and almost endless joy of the former gives way to the somber contrast of the latter. This is completely normal, as the Church knows how to "rejoice with those who rejoice and weep with those who weep." Mourning is just as important a part of our life experiences as rejoicing, because it reflects how the lives of others can truly make an impact on our own. Although most modern Catholics in Canada are familiar with the use of white vestments at funerals and Masses for the dead, the Universal Church actually proposes two other colours instead: violet or black. Violet is a colour that denotes penance and refers to the practice of praying and offering penances for the souls of our deceased loved ones. Black, on the other hand, denotes mourning, and is appropriate because, even though we believe in the resurrection and Eternal Life, the Church continues to accompany her faithful by "mourning with those who mourn" and sharing in their grief and pain.

During the month of November, Holy Mother Church invites the faithful to intercede for the souls in Purgatory in a special way. The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* recommends, above all, the offering of Masses for their eternal repose. It also encourages the faithful to offer up other prayers (such as the Holy Rosary) and sacrifices, and to engage in almsgiving and other works of charity on their behalf. Finally, the *Catechism* recommends doing everything we can to gain indulgences for the repose of the souls in Purgatory. These indulgences, often attached to specific prayers or good works, help speed up the purification of these souls and bring them more quickly into the Kingdom of Heaven (see CCC, no. 1032).

At every Mass, all three parts of the Catholic Church are present, whether we see it or not. The Church Militant prays here on earth while the Church Triumphant joins its own prayers from Heaven. This brings much consolation and grace to the Church Suffering in Purgatory.

During this month of November, let us not forget to pray for the souls of our departed loved ones, and also for those souls who have no one to remember them or intercede for them. The Saints have often said that if we pray for the Souls in Purgatory, then we can be sure of their prayers for us should we have need of them after our own death.

All of the above should lead us to meditate on that beautiful truth of our Catholic Faith that we call The Communion of Saints. We are all united to one another in God and through Christ. Let us pray for one another, that we may all become, one day, living Saints in the Kingdom of Heaven!

INTENTIONS

Saturday, November 4– Memorial –St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop

8:00 am For Our Parishioners

Saturday, November 4– Thirty-First Sunday on Ordinary Time

5:00 pm †Frances Kennedy req by the family
†Antonio & Maria Lindo req by the Lindo family
Intention of Hermano Madeiras req by the Lindo family
Deceased members of the Pereira & Rodrigues families
req by Joe & Monica Pereira

Sunday, November 5 – Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am For Our Parishioners
11:15 am †Deacon Armando Ballotta req by Deacon Wayne & Clair Lee
†Cecile Venus req by Luzette
Thanksgiving mass to St. Jude req by Jackie & Mike Sanson
Souls in Purgatory req by Maggie Eneim
Deceased members of the Knights of Columbus

Monday, November 6 – Thirty-First Monday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am Souls in Purgatory req by the Louis-Seize family

Tuesday, November 7 – Thirty-First Tuesday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am Stanislav Vychytil req by the Ferreira family
Souls in Purgatory

Thursday, November 9 – Feast – The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

9:00 am †Stephen Wilkinson req by Margaret & Robin
†Frank Duff req by the Legion of Mary

Friday, November 10 – Memorial, St. Leo the Great, Pope, Doctor

9:00 am Mass of Special Intentions

Saturday, November 11– Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 For all the departed Canadian Military

Sunday, November 12 –Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am For Our Parishioners
11:15 am †Deceased members of the Troy & Snell families req by the
Snell family
†Deceased members of the Sanson & Mootosamy families
req by Jackie & Mike
Intention of Bob, Sally & Daniel Brezinski req by Deacon
Wayne & Claire Lee
Intention of Alexandre are by Pamela Aung Thin
Mass of Special Intentions

Please pray for our sick;, June Cheverie, Antoinette Tissaaratchy, Joe MacDonell, June Cheverie, Rose Dugandzic, Jean-Ella Lemire, Elsie & Steve Stadler, Lorretta Dillon-Robinette, Prema Raddalgoda, and John MacDonald.

Please pray for our deceased, that they may be received into God's love.

PRO LIFE CORNER

Let us pray that we, who all have one Father, may build a society that treats the unborn, the inconvenient, and the burdensome as brothers and sisters.

November is National Adoption Awareness month visit

www.adoptionincanada.ca

Many say that having an unplanned child, especially those born into poor, single or unloving homes, condemns both the child and the mother to a life of great difficulty. The Lord has wonderful things in store for those who choose life, especially when “humanly speaking” it may not make much sense. And while it is strange to think of pregnancy as a cross, as our Lord says that we cannot be His disciple unless we carry our own cross and follow Him. Let us pray that all who have repented of the sin of abortion may be given the grace to forgive those who pressured them or failed to help them.