

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 25 2020



MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS: OCTOBER 24 TO NOVEMBER 1

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Saturday	Oct 24	
4:00 pm	Audrey Poisson	Becket Seniors Club
5:00 pm (Hall)		
Sunday	Oct 25	Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 am	Our Parishioners	
11:00 am	Magdalena Nitti Saluzzi	The Family
Monday	Oct 26	
8:30 am	Rosalie Beasley	The Family
9:30 am (Hall)		
Tuesday	Oct 27	
8:30 am	Sandra Jammal	Denyse Imperiale & family
9:30 am (Hall)		
Wednesday	Oct 28	
8:30 am	Matthew Frenette	Kathleen Rush & Tom Heald
9:30 am (Hall)		
Thursday	Oct 29	
8:30 am	Julie Belanger (L)	Kathleen Rush & Tom Heald
9:30 am (Hall)		
Friday	Oct 30	
8:30 am	Anna Donald (L)	Kathleen Rush & Tom Heald
10:30 am (Hall)		
Saturday	Oct 31	
4:00 pm	Alex Della Rocca	Rosemary & family
5:00 pm (Hall)		
Sunday	Nov 1	All Saints
9:00 am	Our Parishioners	
11:00 am	Maria Del Carmen Ojeda	

SANCTUARY LAMP (Week)

Oct 25: Ray Silas, requested by Peter & Marilyn Silas

Nov 1: Dominic Mancini, requested by Nicole and family

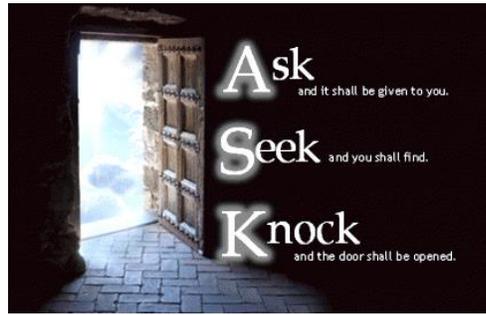
LORD, GRANT MERCY AND LASTING PEACE to those who died recently, and strength and comfort to those who mourn them: *Sister Katherine Coltart*, CND, aunt of Michael Randall; *Luis Gonzales*, brother-in-law of Alfredo & Elizabeth Barroso.

Blessed are those who have died in the Lord; let them rest from their labours for their good deeds go with them. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. And let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

CHANGE IN MASS SCHEDULE

Beginning Friday, October 30, Friday Mass in the hall will move from 9:30 to 10:30. That will allow for the resumption of the Holy Hour in church following the 8:30 Mass. The other days remain the same. Online pre-registration is still required for all weekday and weekend Masses.

ASK, SEEK, KNOCK



Not a single one of our prayers is ever lost. Sooner or later, each will be answered; perhaps not at the time or in the way we imagine, but when and as God wants, in his plans that surpass our understanding. Our prayers are not always answered as we would want, but the fact of expressing them always brings us closer to God, leads us forward on our inner journey, and

attracts a certain grace that we shall one day see clearly and that will then fill us with wonder.... What is most important about intercession is not always its material object, but rather the connection with God established and developed by means of it. That connection will always bear fruit, both for ourselves and for the people for whom we pray. God does not always answer us in the way we would like, since sometimes we need to realize, in specific instances, that we cannot manipulate God.... It is salutary for us to maintain a lively awareness of the absolute gratuity of God's gifts at all times. Otherwise our relationship with him, as well as with other people, can get on the wrong track that leads the logic of love to deteriorate into the logic of human calculations. When God answers our prayers, it is not by virtue of our merits or qualities but by virtue of his mercy and freely bestowed love. The answer to a prayer is not something owed us; it is a gift.

~ Father Jacques Philippe

WHAT IS PRAYER?

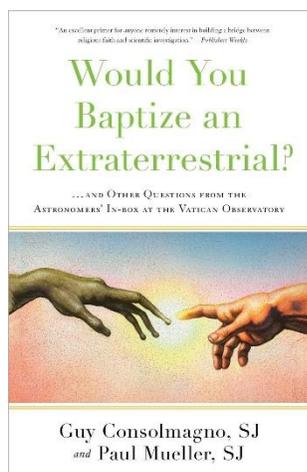


Prayer is turning the heart toward God. When a person prays, he enters into a living relationship with God. Prayer is the great gate leading into faith. Someone who prays no longer lives on his own, for himself, and by his own strength. He knows there is a God to whom he can talk. People who pray entrust themselves more and more to God. Even now they seek union with the one whom they will encounter one day face to face. Therefore, the effort to pray daily is part of Christian life. Of course, one cannot learn to pray in the same way one learns a technique. As strange as it sounds, prayer is a gift one obtains through prayer.

WHAT PROMPTS A PERSON TO PRAY?

We pray because we are full of an infinite longing and God has created us men for himself: "Our hearts are restless until they rest in you" (St. Augustine). But we pray also because we need to; Mother Teresa says, "Because I cannot rely on myself, I rely on him, twenty-four hours a day." Often we forget God, run away from him and hide. Whether we avoid thinking about God or deny him, he is always there for us. He seeks us before we seek him; he yearns for us, he calls us. You speak with your conscience and suddenly notice that you are speaking with God. You feel lonely, have no one to talk with, and then sense that God is always available to talk. You are in danger and experience that a cry for help is answered by God. Praying is as human as breathing, eating, and loving. Praying purifies. Praying makes it possible to resist temptations. Praying strengthens us in our weakness. Praying removes fear, increases energy, and gives a second wind. Praying makes one happy (YOUCAT questions 469-470)

WORTHWHILE READING



Would You Baptize an Extraterrestrial?: . . . and Other Questions from the Astronomers' In-box at the Vatican Observatory by Guy Consolmagno SJ, and Paul Mueller

"Imagine if a Martian showed up, all big ears and big nose like a child's drawing, and he asked to be baptized. How would you react?" —Pope Francis, May, 2014

Pope Francis posed that question—without insisting on an answer!—to provoke deeper reflection about inclusiveness and diversity in the Church. But it's not the first time that question has been asked. Brother Guy Consolmagno and Father Paul Mueller hear questions like that all the time. They're scientists at the Vatican Observatory, the official astronomical research institute of the Catholic Church. In *Would You Baptize an Extraterrestrial?* they explore a variety of questions at the crossroads of faith and reason: How do you reconcile the The Big Bang with Genesis? Was the Star of Bethlehem just a pious religious story or an actual description of astronomical events? What really went down between Galileo and the Catholic Church—and why do the effects of that confrontation still reverberate to this day? Will the Universe come to an end? And... could you really baptize an extraterrestrial? With disarming humor, Brother Guy and Father Paul explore these questions and more over the course of six days of dialogue. *Would You Baptize an Extraterrestrial?* will make you laugh, make you think, and make you reflect more deeply on science, faith, and the nature of the universe.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION



We are thrilled to welcome a child for his/her First Holy Communion at every weekend Mass over the coming weeks. These are children whose First Communion had been scheduled for the spring and was cancelled due to the pandemic. Because of restrictions, only their parents and siblings can be present, but this is a time when we all need more than ever the strength and grace that comes with receiving the Eucharist, the true Body and Blood of Christ.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS

October 10/11: Offerings: \$ 4,797.00 Religious Education: \$600.00
October 17/18: Evangelization of the Nations: \$4,009.00

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

"There is no dignity when the human dimension is eliminated from the person. In short, the problem with pornography is not that it shows too much of the person, but that it shows far too little."
~ Pope St. John Paul II

PARISH INFORMATION

All telephone numbers are in the 514 area code unless otherwise indicated.

PARISH WARDENS

The Fabrique of the parish administers all parish properties and assets, and consists of the Pastor and six wardens elected by parishioners at an Annual General Meeting.

Janet Arts (2021)	620-6643	Siro Di Marco (2020)	620-6788
Peter Cook (2022)	620-2019	Michelle Figueredo (2021)	694-8879
Norman Cousineau (2020)	624-8753	Michael Sciotto (2022)	626-9550

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Altar Guild:	Anna Donald	620-2258
Altar Servers:	Fr. Peter Sabbath	626-4111
Baptism Preparation Team:	Parish Office	626-4111
Children's Liturgy	Parish Office	626-4111
Eucharistic Ministry Coordinator:	Rosemarie Della Rocca	620-1930
Greeters:	Norma Cook	620-2019
Ushers:	Joe Ojeda	941-7914
Lectors:	Tobias Koikaran	693-5514
Liturgy Team:	Rosemarie Della Rocca	620-1930
Weekday Sacristan:	Anna Donald	620-2258
Music Ministry Coordinator:	Lino Viegas	620-0750
Choir Director	Brendan Kelly	944-7220

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

Sycamore	Elsa Rivera	626-4111 Ext. 222.
Angels of Mercy	Sarah Sajedi	827-6408
Becket Pantry:	Parish Office	626-4111
Catholic Women's League:	Catherine Lee Jude	463-5991
Couples for Christ:	Francis & Aurora Apgao	630-6586
Healing Ministry	Elsa Rivera	626-4111 Ext. 222
Helping Others:	Parish Office	626-4111
Knights of Columbus:	Joe Ojeda	941-7914
Marriage Course:	John & Nathalie Bondyra	695-7896
Pastoral Home Care:	Ailsa Lee Loy	626-7265
Prayer Group: (Thursday 9:15 a.m.)	Louise Eberwein	825-5198
Prayer Line:	Christine Charron	694-3958
Seniors:	Audrey Cassidy	626-3586
Social Club:	Rina Callard	695-6995

RESOURCES AND SERVICES

A.A.	376-9230
Al-Anon (Families of Alcoholics)	866-9803
Archdiocese, Marriage Tribunal, English Pastoral Services	931-7311
Episcopal Vicar - Fr. Raymond Lafontaine	931-7311
Quebec Life Coalition: Pregnant? Worried?	344-2686
Tel Aide (listening line)	935-1101
Violence S.O.S. Hotline	1-800-363-9010
West Island Women's Shelter	620-4845

Sacrament of Reconciliation: (Confession) before all Masses or by request.

Anointing of the Sick: upon request

Eucharistic Exposition & Adoration: First Friday of the month

Benediction: Fridays after morning Mass

Baptism: Please contact the office.

Marriage: Please contact the office well in advance.

Vocations: Please contact Fr. Peter Sabbath or Fr. Jaison Joseph

R.C.I.A.: Fr. Peter Sabbath