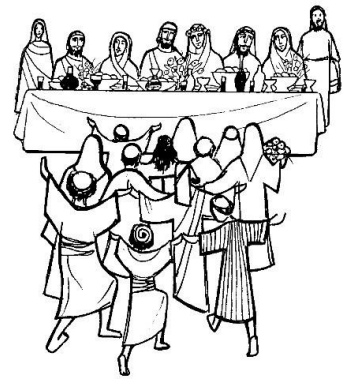


30th and 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 29 & November 5
2023



MASS INTENTIONS – OCTOBER 28 TO NOVEMBER 12

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Saturday	October 28	
4:30 pm	Our Parishioners	
Sunday	October 29 Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time	
9:00 am	Albanese family	Albanese family
11:00 am	Witold Szczyglowski	Danuta and Barbara
Monday	October 30	
8:30 am	David Falcao	Ron & Joy Pinto
Tuesday	October 31	
8:30 am	Alex Della Rocca	Rosemarie Della Rocca
Wednesday	November 1	
8:30 am	Our Parishioners	
8:30 am	Alison Lee Loy	Joyce Davies
Thursday	November 2	
8:30 am	Alagaratnam Family	Cynthia Arulanandam
Friday	November 3	
8:30 am	Frederick and Barbara Kray	Helen & Manfred Adam
Saturday	November 4	
4:30 pm	Frederick and Barbara Kray	Helen & Manfred Adam
Sunday	November 5 Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time	
9:00 am	Our Parishioners	
11:00 am	Italo Faclone	Falcone Family
Monday	November 6	
8:30 am	Albert Kojoian	Anna Donald
Tuesday	November 7	
8:30 am	Mario Della Rocca	Della Rocca Family
Wednesday	November 8	
8:30 am	Remi Perron	Maria G. Cabral
Thursday	November 9	
8:30 am	Witold Szczyglowski	Halina Tarczynski
Friday	November 10	
8:30 am	Rozalia, Karol Mankiewicz. Joseph , Janina Oglozae	Ramona Dziarmaga and family
Saturday	November 11	
4:30 pm	Patrick Guerrero	Patricia & Luciano Guerrero
Sunday	November 12 Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time	
9:00 am	Luigi Di Caprio	Rosalia Di Caprio & family
11:00 am	Our Parishioners	

SANCTUARY LAMP

October 29: Julia Principe (L), requested by Anna Kojoian

November 5: Frederick and Barbara Kray, requested by Helen & Manfred Adam

November 12: Witold Szczylowski, requested by Halina Tarczynski

LORD, GRANT MERCY AND LASTING PEACE to those who died recently, and strength and comfort to those who mourn them:

Charles Roche, son of Paul, husband of the late Lise Roche, father of Michael, Paul, Renee, and Patrick.

Thelma Gomes Mallette, mother of Heather, Danny, Wayne, Heather, Glenn and Nancy Mallette

Adele Philip, mother of Lise Emsley

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS

October 8: Offerings: \$5,030.00 Religious Education: \$1607.00

October 15: Offerings: \$6,005.25

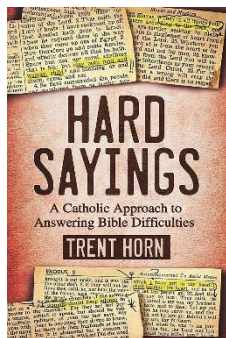
October 22: Offerings (Evangelization of the Nations) \$3,848.75

Upcoming special collections: November 12 - Helping Others

November 26 - Building Maintenance Fund

FUNDRAISER FOR SCHOOLS IN UGANDA: Fr. David Kyingi invites you to a bowling fundraiser to support the *Foundation for the Education of Children in Uganda* (FECU) at Laurentian Lanes, on Sun. Nov. 19, at 12:30 p.m. \$25 for adults; \$16 for youth under 16. Price includes shoes rental. Info: Noreen Olivieri, 514-889-4501; Rosemary Cinelli, 514-705-7110; or Fr. David, 514-213-5778. Snack bar on site. Don't bowl? Send a donation to The FECU, 105 Beaconsfield Blvd, Beaconsfield, Qc, H9W 3Z8. Tax receipts issued for \$25, or above.

WORTHWHILE READING



Hard Sayings: A Catholic Approach to Answering Bible Difficulties by Trent Horn

Have you ever read something in the Bible that made you just scratch your head? Has a skeptic ever challenged you to defend a seemingly scandalous verse of Scripture? You're not alone. The Bible contains more than a few "hard sayings" (John 6:60): ancient idioms, apparent contradictions, myth-like events and figures, and passages that seem to be embarrassingly out of step with modern culture or science. How can a Catholic reconcile such things with his own faith, and with what the Church teaches about

the inspiration and inerrancy of Sacred Scripture? Don't worry. As Trent Horn (Answering Atheism) explains in ***Hard Sayings***, God's revelation in the Bible is not something Catholics need to be ashamed of or read with a mental reservation. Trent examines dozens of the most confounding passages in Scripture and offers clear, reasonable, Catholic explanations to unlock their true meaning. He also provides basic principles for reading and interpreting Scripture that the wisdom of the Church has developed over the centuries.

After his conversion to the Catholic faith, Trent Horn earned master's degrees in the fields of theology, philosophy, and bioethics. He serves as a staff apologist for Catholic Answers, where he specializes in teaching Catholics to graciously and persuasively engage those who disagree with them. Trent models that approach each week on the radio program Catholic Answers Live and on his own podcast, The Counsel of Trent. He has also been invited to debate at UC Berkeley, UC Santa Barbara, and Stanford University. Trent is an adjunct professor of apologetics at Holy Apostles College, has written for The National Catholic Bioethics Quarterly, and is the author of nine books, including Answering Atheism, The Case for Catholicism, and Why We're Catholic: Our Reasons for Faith, Hope, and Love.

POPE FRANCIS ON AI (Artificial Intelligence)



Holy Father, what do you think of this accelerated technological development, such as Artificial Intelligence, and in which way do you think it could be addressed from a more human point of view?

“I like the word ‘accelerated.’ When something is accelerated, it worries me, because there is no time for it to settle. When we look back at the industrial revolution up

until the 1950s, we see non-accelerated development. There were control and helping mechanisms. When change is accelerated, there is not enough time for assimilation mechanisms, and we end up becoming slaves. It is equally dangerous to be a slave to a person or to a job, as it is to be a slave to a culture. The key to cultural progress, such as Artificial Intelligence, is the ability of men and women to handle it, assimilate it and control it. That is, men and women are masters of Creation, and we must not give that up. A person’s control over anything. Serious scientific change is progress. We must be open to that.”



HOLY MATRIMONY!

These couples were recently married at St. Thomas à Becket: Matthew Fontaine & Ashley Grieve; Anthony Rosati & Jenna Donaldson; James Likoray & Andrea Laarhoven; Bradley Normandin & Alena Principe; Brian Silva to Natasha Seebarran; Dominic Figut to Jessica Mignacca; Mark Lewis to Allison Williams. Our parishioners Nima Shariatian & Katherine Vergara were married at St. Leon de Westmount.

Our prayers and warmest wishes are extended to the happy couples as they now live out their vows of unity, fidelity and indissolubility.

THE TRUTH ABOUT HALLOWEEN BY SCOTT HAHN

All Hallows' Eve (Oct 31) is the start of three sacred days known as “Allhallowtide,” a Triduum of feasts celebrating the Communion of Saints: the One, Holy Catholic Church in all three of her states:

1. The Church Militant on earth warring against the powers of hell (All Hallows' Eve),
2. The Church Triumphant sharing in the glory of Christ in heaven (All Saints), and
3. The Church Suffering in purgatory being purified from the effects of sin (All Souls).

A common misconception persists that Halloween started as a pagan custom that the Catholic Church later “Christianized”. But the truth is the exact opposite of that. In the first few centuries of Christianity, the faithful of the Church in Rome venerated their beloved saints who had been martyred. Likewise, as early as the fourth century, the Church in the East celebrated a feast of all the martyrs (on May 13). In the reign of Pope Gregory III (731–741), this feast was renamed “All Saints Day” and moved to November 1. The day before the feast (Oct 31) thus became known as “All Hallow's Eve.” It has long been the custom in the Church to celebrate major feasts with a vigil the day before; hence the vigil of All Saints (Hallows) was celebrated on the eve of the feast. Celebrating these feasts reminds us of the reality of hell, heaven, and purgatory. It also strengthens us to battle against hell, in holy communion with the saints, and to pray and offer suffrages for the poor souls in purgatory—who are all destined for heaven. We should take time to draw closer to the saints, to pray for those who have died, and to use these days to prepare ourselves for our own deaths.

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 (2024)	620-6643	Cindy Finn	(2024)	624-0546
Frank Vissani (2025)	998-0311	Michelle Figueredo	(2023)	694-8879
Norman Cousineau (2023)	624-8753	Michael Randall	(2025)	626-9550

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

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

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

Adult Faith Formation	Elsa Rivera	626-4111
Angels of Mercy	Sarah Sajedi	827-6408
Catholic Women's League:	Yasmin Ramsammy	463-1146
Community Aid	Parish Office	626-4111
Couples for Christ:	Don & Irene Salvanera	620-1319
Helping Others:	Parish Office	626-4111
Knights of Columbus:	Norm Cousineau	624-8753
Marriage Course:	John & Nathalie Bondyra	695-7896
Pastoral Home Care:	Ailsa Lee Loy	626-7265
Prayer Line:	Christine Charron	694-3958
Responsible Pastoral Ministry:	Rina Callard	626-4111
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
Diocesan Ombudsman – abuse/complaints	752-4683
Episcopal Vicar - Fr. Raymond Lafontaine	931-7311
Quebec Life Coalition: Pregnant? Worried?	344-2686
Spiritual Support Line	1-888-305-0994
Violence S.O.S. Hotline	1-800-363-9010
West Island Women's Shelter	620-4845

Anointing of the Sick: upon request at the parish office

Baptism: Please contact the office

Marriage: Please contact the office well in advance.

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

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

Vocations: Please contact Fr. Robert Clark at 903-6200 or one of our priests

HALL RENTAL: Michael Randall 514-980-5015