

NOVEMBER 3, 2019

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

In this day and age, it is all too easy to view each other with suspicion or at least a certain guardedness. Of course, it's wise to be prudent in our dealings with people. But stewardship living calls us to a different outlook towards others. It calls us to approach everyone with an open heart; not through a lens of suspicion but quite the opposite — through the lens of loving hospitality.

This is the attitude our heavenly Father has when He looks upon creation, as we see in our first reading, from the Book of Wisdom. "For you love all things that are and loathe nothing that you have made... (Y)ou spare all things, because they are yours, O Lord and lover of souls, for your imperishable spirit is in all things!" God's "imperishable spirit" is in every person because every person is made in God's own image and likeness.



Far deeper than good manners or a superficial exchange of pleasantries, the virtue of hospitality is the outward expression of this way of seeing people as God sees them.

Jesus models this transforming hospitality in His encounter with Zacchaeus, the tax collector, in today's Gospel reading from Luke. Not content with just exchanging a friendly hello with Zacchaeus, Jesus seeks him out of the crowd and insists on having dinner in his home. This was a gesture of intimacy and true fellowship in that day and culture. Jesus saw the goodness within the man. Our Lord's open and welcoming attitude (His hospitality) called forth that goodness and Zacchaeus was transformed instantly.

If we are willing to practice true, radical Christian hospitality in our daily lives, our families, workplaces, and our parish can be transformed, too.

WHAT COMMITMENT WILL YOU MAKE FOR OUR COMMON HOME?



Last week, you took action by signing a Solidarity Letter for the seringueiros and the Mura people of Brazil. This week, begin your own ecological conversion by signing the intergenerational pledge for our common home. Choose a personal change to put into action and attach a photo of yourself for our mosaic of committed citizens. Let's act together to enable present and future generations to live a dignified and happy life: devp.org/pledge.



Without your action, there is no change and no justice!

PARISH CALENDAR & MASS INTENTIONS

MON, NOV 4	8:30 am	Patrick Hogan †
	7:00 pm	RCIA
TUES, NOV 5	8:30 am	James Gorday †
WED, NOV 6	8:30 am	Deceased members of the Devoe, O'Neill & MacIsaak families †
THURS, NOV 7	8:30 am	No Mass
FRI, NOV 8	8:30 am	Joe Murphy †
SAT, NOV 9	5:00 pm	Joseph Habib † CWL Gathering Mass
SUN, NOV 10	9:00 am	Osgood Dart †
	11:00 am	Rocco Giacomino †
		Frank & Josephine Napoli † John & Mary delGobbo †

OFFERING FOR SUNDAY, OCT 27

Offertory:

163 Envelopes.....\$3818.30
Loose\$97.90

Total Offertory.....\$3,916.20

Special Collections:

World Missions.....\$75.00

Total to Date.....\$1,072.00

Cathedral Restoration.....\$0.00

Total to Date.....\$25,831.50

Thank you for your continued generosity and support of our Parish

DID YOU KNOW.....

...that it is important that we continue to pray for our family and friends who have died? The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* article 1032 teaches us that "From the beginning the Church has honoured the memory of the dead and offered prayers for them, above all the Eucharistic sacrifice, so that, thus purified, they may attain the beatific vision of God." We pray that "they may be loosed from their sins" (article 958). Thus, our prayers are capable of helping them, for our prayers express hope that God will free the person who has died from any burden of sin and prepare a place for him or her in heaven. During this month of November, let us pray for all those who have gone before us, for God does indeed hear our prayers.

THIS IS OUR FAITH. THIS IS WHAT WE BELIEVE!

Questions or comments? I invite you to send me an email at gregoryagschmidt@gmail.com

ST JULIA CWL ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 2020-2021

St Julia CWL postings for the New Executive for 2020-2021!



<i>President</i>	<i>Treasurer</i>	<i>Community Life</i>
<i>President-elect</i>	<i>Spiritual Development</i>	<i>Education & Health</i>
<i>Recording/Corresponding Secretary</i>	<i>Organization</i>	<i>Communications</i>
<i>Secretary</i>	<i>Christian Family Life</i>	<i>Resolutions & Legislation</i>

We sincerely hope that all members will consider taking a position for the first time! Let's keep our Council Alive and Active! If interested in any position listed, please contact Helen 905-227-6025 BEFORE Wednesday November 6th. **Our next meeting is Tuesday, November 12, 2019 at a new time of 7:00 pm.**

RCIA

Our topics this week are
"The Bible" and "Divine Revelation"
 All are welcome to join at 7:00 pm on
 Monday, November 4th in the meeting room.

ST. JULIA PASTA NIGHT

Mark your calendars for our first **St. Julia Family Pasta Night** on Wednesday, November 20th.
More delicious details to come!



St Vincent de Paul Society
good works

A Generous donation from Ontario Power Generation – Niagara Operations, will go directly to our local food banks. This donation will help meet the growing need for assistance, not only at Christmas, but throughout the coming year. Many thanks for the continued support.

PASTA SUPPER

Thursday, November 7, 2019 ~ 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm
 at Holy Rosary Church Hall ~ 35 Queen St. South, Thorold. Pasta (with tomato or 'alfredo' sauce), Meatballs/Sausage, salad, rolls included! Cash Bar. Coffee/tea available free when dining in. Catered by Antipasto's di Roma. Adults **\$13**, Children (up to 10 yrs old) **\$9**. Take-out available. No dishwashing required! Bring your family and friends!

All proceeds to Holy Rosary Church

DEO GRATIAS

Please support the *Deo Gratias* Collection of November 16/17, 2019. All revenue will go to our Clergy Aid Society. We are grateful to God, and to our retired clergy in the Diocese of St. Catharines who, from the time of their ordination, have cared for us and our spiritual needs. In thanksgiving to God for them and their years of faithful service, your generous support of the *Deo Gratias* collection will enable us to care for those who have dedicated their lives to caring for us. The revenue from this collection does not go into an endowment fund but goes directly to the Clergy Aid Society which provides an income for our retired clergy.

TIRED OF LIVING ALONE?

Affordable assisted living in a Caring Family Environment
Mount Carmel Home
 78 Yates Street, St. Catharines | 905-685-9155

Liturgical Ministries

November 9-11, 2019

	5:00 pm	9:00 am	11:00 am
Eucharistic Ministers	C. Carlucci G. Porco L. Hicks	A. Alderson J. Waters E. Ward	S. Pyper M. Dugo F. Mascia
Readers	M. Tacinelli M. Frendo	J. Kerry D. Coppola	N. LaSelva M. Galliera

Counters: D. McLean & R. McLean (Nov. 11)