OCTOBER 27, 2019 THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

In last week's readings, we were encouraged to remain persistent and constant in our prayer life. Today, we focus on the proper attitude of a steward at prayer.

In the Gospel passage from Luke, Jesus illustrates the humble attitude we must have as we approach God in prayer through a parable of two praying men. One is a Pharisee, a man with respected status, theological training and all the right credentials. He marches right up to the front of the temple to speak a prayer "to himself," thanking God for making him just a little bit superior to everyone else!



The other man is a tax collector, known by those of his day to be a cheater and a sell-out to his fellow Jews. In contrast to the Pharisee, he stands near the back and cries out to God in a simple and honest way: "Be merciful to me a sinner."

Jesus tells us that it is the tax collector and not the Pharisee who leaves the temple justified. Why?

The Pharisee was full of self as he approached God. He felt no real need for God as he rattled off his resume of good works and spiritual practices. He was simply going through the motions of prayer. His lack of humility prevented him from entering into a real dialogue with the Father. The tax collector, by contrast, emptied himself as he approached God. He recognized who he truly was (a sinner) and asked for mercy, leaving all the rest up to God. This is the kind of attitude God can work with! This is how a good steward prays — with trust, with complete openness to God's will, with a listening mind and heart, ready to serve as God leads

ST JULIA CWL ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 2020-2021

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

President
President-elect
Recording/Corresponding Secretary
Secretary

Treasurer Spiritual Development Organization Christian Family Life Community Life
Education & Health
Communications
Resolutions & Legislation

Offertory:

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.

PARISH CALENDAR & MASS INTENTIONS

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Mon, Oct 28	8:30 am	John & Dolena O'Neill†	
Tues, Oct 29	8:30 am	No Mass	
WED, OCT 30	8:30 am	No Mass	
Thurs, Oct 31	8:30 am	No Mass	
FRI, NOV 1	8:30 am 9:00 am	David Boudreau † Holy Hour	
SAT, NOV 2		All Souls' Day Memorial Mass Horst Behlau † Robert Nemcko † St. Peter Family Mass—Grade 2	
Sun, Nov 3	9:00 am	Ella Dowling †	
	11:00 am	Mass for the People	

OFFERING FOR SUNDAY, OCT 20

188 Envelopes\$4,752.35 Loose\$234.40
Total Offertory\$4,986.75
Special Collections: World Missions\$997.00
Total to Date\$997.00
Cathedral Restoration\$400.00 Total to Date\$25,831.50

Thank you for your continued generosity and support of our Parish

DID YOU KNOW.....

...that the mission of Development & Peace, a Canadian Catholic organization, is to support partners in the Global South who promote alternatives to unfair social, political and economic structures? In the struggle for human dignity, Development & Peace forms alliances with northern and southern groups working for social change as well as the consolidation of peace and advocacy for human rights in 70 countries! It also supports women in their search for social and economic justice. Visit www.devp.org for more information on this most commendable organization and watch for the Fall campaign this weekend here in our parish.

THE SURVIVAL OF THE AMAZON CONCERNS ALL HUMANITY.



The Amazon is home to one-fifth of the world's freshwater and one-third of the Earth's forests. Its Indigenous peoples live sustainably from its resources, but the Amazon is under threat. "The destruction of the Amazon is not just the problem of Indigenous peoples, but of all humanity. If the Amazon disappears, it is very likely that all humanity will disappear," says Yesica Patiachi, a member of the Harakbut Indigenous community in Peru.

We are all interconnected. Let's stand in solidarity with those who strive to protect our land, our waters and our lives.

Let's take action For Our Common Home: devp.org/campaign.

LET'S DEFEND THE DEFENDERS OF OUR COMMON HOME!

"The native Amazonian peoples have probably never been so threatened on their own lands as they are now."- *Pope Francis, Peru, January 2018.*

This is true for Indigenous peoples, but also for traditional communities of the Amazon. Here are two communities in Brazil under threat:

- The way of life of Machadinho d'Oeste's *seringueiros* (artisanal rubber tappers) is being destroyed by industrial logging.
- The Mura Indigenous people of Manaus were not consulted before a phosphate mining company began operations on their lands.

Sign the Development and Peace - Caritas Canada Solidarity Letter today to support these two communities. Your signatures will allow us to call for their protection and respect of their rights.

Together, let's defend the defenders of the Amazon. To sign the Solidarity Letter online: <u>devp.org/act</u>.



WELLAND KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL

#2146 will be celebrating their 100th Anniversary in June 2020 and would appreciate it if anyone has any photos, memorabilia or stories they could share with their Council. Contact Patrick Rothwell, Grand Knight, Council #2146 Welland, 905-732-9475.

ST. ALFRED'S CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

...is hosting a Snowflake Bazaar on Sunday, November 10th at 272 Vine St. in St. Mark's Room from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. There will be a penny sale and raffle, silent auction, crafts, baked goods, candy and much more.

Everyone is welcome.

ST. JULIA PASTA NIGHT

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

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THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 1394

...will be hosting an all you can eat Breakfast on every Sunday this November from 9 AM-12 PM in their council hall at 235 Church St., St. Catharines. Adults eat for \$10.00 Children 10 and under eat for \$5.00.

Liturgical Ministries		November 2-4, 2019	
	5:00 pm	9:00 am	11:00 am
Eucharistic Ministers	C. Crowley G. Pawlowski P. Paone	J. Bonasheski D. White K. Wright	M.J. Modolo L. Flynn M. Epstein
Readers	St. Peter Grade 2 Students	B. O'Reilly V. Giacomino	R. Piech D. MacLean

Counters: T. Marciniec, B. Marciniec, M. Tacinelli (Nov 4)