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Mass Schedule

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 8:30 a.m.
 Saturday 5:00 p.m.
 Sunday 9:00 a.m. (Children's Liturgy of the Word)
 11:00 a.m.

Confessions

Saturday 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. or by appointment

Office Hours

Monday to Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

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November 19, 2023

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time



We are reminded today that we will each be called to give an account for the gifts God has given us — our physical, intellectual and material gifts — as well as the gift of time itself, Jesus illustrates this truth in our Gospel passage from Matthew. He tells the parable of a wealthy man who is about to go on a journey. Before he leaves, the man calls his three servants to “entrust his possessions to them.”

The master in our parable gives to the care of each servant a portion of his money (“talent”) commensurate with that servant’s abilities. The first two prove to be good and faithful servants — they “immediately” put the talents to use, doubling what had been entrusted to them. The third servant reacted to this responsibility with fear — in fact, he did the opposite. He hid master’s talent, burying it in the ground. He took the safe way, the easy way out, What a tragic response!

This servant did not understand his master at all. He failed to see what a privilege he had been given. The master wanted to give all his servants the joy and satisfaction of helping him grow his kingdom. This is what our Heavenly Father wants for us, too — the incredible privilege of helping to advance the coming of the Kingdom of God.

Let us embrace the stewardship way of life, using all the gifts entrusted to us — Time, Talent, and Treasure — in such a way that at the end of our life on this earth, we will hear these words from our Father: “Well done, my good and faithful servant... Come, share your master’s joy.”

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Parish Calendar

Monday, November 20

8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - All Souls †
Special Intention

Tuesday, November 21

8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - All Souls †
4:00 p.m. - Serra Club Mass
7:00 p.m. - RCIA

Wednesday, November 22

8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - Denis Morris School Mass
All Souls †

Thursday, November 23

No Mass

Friday, November 24

8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - All Souls †

Saturday, November 25

5:00 p.m. (Livestream) - All Souls †

Sunday, November 26

9:00 a.m. - All Souls †
11:00 a.m. - All Souls †
2:00 p.m. - Confirmation



Diocese of St. Catharines
Where Faith Lives

The Diocesan Anniversary Mass will be held on Friday, November 24, 2023, 11:00am at the Cathedral of St. Catherine of Alexandria (3 Lyman Street, St. Catharines, Ontario). Parishioners from across the diocese are welcome to attend.

Faith Formation & Catechesis

We welcome you to join our RCIA session

“The Sacraments / Baptism”

Tuesday, November 21st at 7:00 pm,
in our Divinity Room



Are You Being Called?

“Well done, good and faithful servant....”

How are you called to use your talents?
If Christ may be inviting you to faithful service as a priest or consecrated religious contact Fr. Greg at the church office,
905 684 5603
or email frgregoryschmidt@gmail.com.

The life we live is the lesson we teach

- ◆ Thank-you to all for your support of our poinsettia sale.
- ◆ Our Christmas dinner is at St. John Ukrainian Church on Mon. Dec. 4. Payment of \$30 in a clearly marked envelope in either the collection basket or to the parish office will reserve your spot. Payment is due by Sat. Nov 25.
- ◆ We continue to accept new and renewed memberships. Please pay you 2024 dues this week.



Let's heed the cry of the Earth and the cry of the poor and let's act!

Pope Francis calls us to hear "the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor" (Laudato Si', 49). Yet, since 2015, the communities of Guapinol and the San Pedro sector have been trying in vain to be heard. In their struggle for justice, defenders are attacked, criminalized and even killed. Eight defenders were unjustly imprisoned for over two years, and three people have been murdered since January 2023.



"The Government of Honduras must act diligently and suspend these extractive activities, which are carried out illegally and with total disregard for the environment."

— Elvin Hernández, human rights investigator, ERIC-Radio Progreso

Act now! Sign the letter to the Honduran ambassador to Canada asking her government for protection, justice and reparation for environmental defenders and for Carlos Escaleras National Park (devp.org/act).



Forgiveness – What is It and Why Is It So Hard

Led by: Anna Racine
Date; Sat. Nov. 25 (9:30am-3:30pm)
Cost: \$70 (includes lunch)

Have you experienced deep disappointment, hurt or betrayal in an important relationship? Do you continue to suffer from a conflict or trauma that occurred long ago? Are unresolved issues affecting your health, finances or relationships?

This interactive Workshop identifies the stumbling blocks to forgiveness, and then provides positive, practical methods to work through the anger, blame and resentment.

Forgiveness is about letting go of the past, understanding and moving on. Forgiveness is one of the greatest gifts you can give yourself!

Presenter: Anna Racine, adjunct faculty at Mount Carmel Spiritual Centre, ministers on the St. Thomas More Parish Bereavement Team. She was given the 2015 Niagara Catholic Award of Distinction for her 20 years of service in Church Ministry and with the Niagara Catholic District School Board.



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The Month of November

Praying for the souls that have departed this world is an important part of our Catholic faith. If you would like your loved one remembered in our prayers of the faithful at Mass on this day and for the entire month of November, we invite you to pick up an envelope at the doors of the church marked **"All Souls Day Remembrance"**. These names / the envelopes containing the names will be placed in a basket in front of the ambo. Rather than praying for one intention (loved one) at each Mass, we will pray for the souls of all these loved ones and friends who have gone before us.

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May they rest in the peace of Christ, Amen.*

THEY HAVE GONE NO FURTHER FROM US THAN TO GOD, AND GOD IS VERY NEAR

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Thank you for your continued generosity.

God bless you and those that you love.