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Most Rev. Gerard P. Bergie D.D. Mass Schedule Diocesan Bishop Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 8:30 a.m. **Pastor** Fr. Greg Schmidt frgregoryschmidt@gmail.com Saturday 5:00 p.m. 9:00 a.m. (Children's Liturgy of the Word) Sunday **Deacons** Deacon George Newman 11:00 a.m. **Deacon Brian Jeynes** Confessions **Director of Music** Dr. David Holler 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. or by appointment Saturday Maintenance Jim Salmon Office Hours Administration Christine Buckley Monday to Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Cheryl Wood



October 23, 2022 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. He was not transformed by his time of prayer because he was so full of himself that He left God no space to enter in. The tax collector, by contrast, emptied himself as he approached God. He recognized who he truly was (a sinner) and asked simply for mercy, leaving all the rest up to God. This is the kind of attitude that 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 .

Stewardship Reflections by <u>Catholic Stewardship Consultants</u>

Parish Calendar

Monday, October 24

8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - Ria Van Noort† Bill Kennedy†| Owen & Aileen Kelly†

Tuesday, October 25

8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - Special Intention Ethel Landry † 7:00 p.m. - RCIA

Wednesday, October 26

8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - Joe Press † | Tony Giblin † 7:00 p.m. - Faith Study Lesson #5

Thursday, October 27 - No Mass

Friday, October 28

8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - Souls in Purgatory †
Mary McInally † | Special Intention

Saturday, October 29

5:00 p.m. (Livestream) - Joe Murphy † Matilda Mattie† | Ivan Petric † | Zivko Petric † Charlie Cassidy †

Sunday, October 30

9:00 a.m. - Mass for the People 11:00 a.m. - Saundra Patterson † | Chuck Masse † Karl Gough †

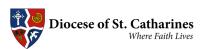
Faith Formation & Catechesis



We welcome you to join our RCIA session for

"God the Father"

at 7:00 pm, Tuesday, October 25th in our Divinity Hall.



The Diocesan Anniversary Mass will be held on Friday, November 25, 2022, 11:00am at the Cathedral of St. Catherine of Alexandria, 3 Lyman Street, St. Catharines. Parishioners from across the diocese are welcome to attend. Registration forms to receive a congratulatory certificate from Bishop Bergie for married couples who have celebrated or will celebrate a special wedding anniversary in 2022 are available by calling the office at 905-684-5603 by November 15, 2022.

Are You Being Called?

"All who humble themselves will be exalted."

Is humble service as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life your path to holiness and eternal glory in Christ?

Contact Fr. Greg at the church office, 905 684 5603 or email frgregoryschmidt@gmail.com.



FLYING FATHERS TO LAND IN NIAGARA NOVEMBER 21 AND 22

The Flying Fathers, known for many years as the Harlem Globetrotters of Hockey, raising millions of dollars for various charities while keeping fans laughing with as many outrageous stunts as they could get away with on the ice will be in Niagara for two games in November. Three local priests Father Paul MacNeil (the Holy Goalie) Father Daniel Corso and Father Ronald Langervil will be playing in both games. The Niagara Foundation for Catholic Education, Council 1652 Knights of Columbus, and the Thorold Mounts are partnering for the two game charity event with proceeds to benefit students in need who attend Niagara Catholic District Schools and other local charities. On Monday, November 21, at the Gale in Niagara Falls the Flying Fathers will face off against a team that will include Niagara Catholic District School Board student all-stars, teachers and other staff members. On Tuesday, November 22 they will skate against the Thorold Mounts Oldtimers at the Jack Doherty arena in Thorold. Ticket prices are \$10.00 each and both games start at 7:15 pm. The games will feature enjoyable hockey and all the traditional Flying Fathers antics such as pies in the face, Sister Mary Shooter, the hockey playing nun, Smitty the Clown, the Flying Monk and much more in slapstick surprises.

To pre-order tickets or for further information contact:

For the Niagara Falls game

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For the Thorold game

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The Month of November - Praying for All Souls

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 onto 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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