

# SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS – November 1, 2015

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## Mass Intentions this week

**Please note: Weekday Masses are celebrated in the Rectory Chapel unless otherwise indicated.**

*Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup> to Nov. 8<sup>th</sup>*

### (Feast of All Souls:)

Monday 7:00 pm †David Cheevers (*in Church*)  
 Wednesday 12 noon †Msgr. Roger Formosi, Joan Sipos  
 Thursday 10:30am †Bella Ferro, Merium Mirza  
**(at Charlotte Villa)**  
 Friday 12: noon †Phyllis Noonan  
 Saturday 5:00 pm †Domenico Colletti, JoAnn Holt,  
 Frank Duff, Janice McHutchion, Josephine Giumelli, Harley  
 Taimre, Bill Paling, Spelier-Duindon Family, Betty Scicluna



## Sanctuary Lamp this week

Intentions of Nancy Illes (Robinson) and repose of her soul. Requests accepted by placing an envelope with the name of loved one and a donation of \$10 in the collection basket.

### DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

Monday, November 2	Rev. Michael Sullivan
Tuesday, November 3	Rev. Charles Scheffer
Wednesday, November 4	Deceased Religious Sisters and Brothers
Thursday, November 5	Rev. George Stortz
Friday, November 6	Rev. Donald Wilhelm
Saturday, November 7	Rev. Michael McHugh

**OFFERTORY** for last week was \$3688.75 and our Budget expenses for the week \$5,580.00.

### BOOK OF LIFE:

This weekend you are invited to write in our “Book of Life” names of deceased relatives and friends. These loved ones of ours will be remembered at the Masses during November, the month dedicated to all Souls

### FLUE SEASON:

As you know, we are now in “flu Season”.

Two implications at Mass are these:

- The sign of peace can be offered with a bow of the head instead of a handshake. As we know it is important to wash our hands regularly.
- It is preferable to receive Holy Communion in the hand (i.e.) it is more hygienic for the person distributing the host.

**Discernment Gathering** - If you are interested in learning more about vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life please join our monthly Discernment Gatherings: Mass, Holy Hour, Discussion, and Lunch. Next gathering is on **Saturday**

*November 14<sup>th</sup> at Canadian Martyr’s Church in Hamilton (9am-12noon).* More details at [www.HamiltonVocations.com](http://www.HamiltonVocations.com)

### MEDITATION

The feast of All Saints is an occasion to remember and honour the women and men, known and unknown, who lived courageous lives with an unwavering faith in Jesus Christ.

I tend to regard the saints as a distinct group of individuals chosen by God: part of the ‘great multitude,’ a people set apart. So when I read a statement by Mother Teresa that “to be a saint, you have to seriously want to be one,” I was taken aback. I felt an invitation, even encouragement, to reflect on what I had chosen – in my life, with my life.

I have come to learn that these women and men struggled with their sinfulness, failures and life’s disappointments. In their relationship with God, they were prone to doubts, confusion, selfishness and even anger. In other words, they were very much like us. Yet, despite their limitations and imperfections, they never gave up on saying ‘yes’ to Christ. They continued to say ‘no’ to worldly values and concerns. The saints, it seems, would not serve two masters.

They strove to be faithful to the kind of life the Beatitudes urge us to live – even to death. The saints’ lives reveal that each of us is being called to live our life as a child of God, caring for peace, reconciliation and the poor. What will our response be to God’s invitation?

*Julie Cachia, Toronto, ON*

### CONFIRMATION MEETING

A very important meeting will be held on **Thursday, November 5<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm in our parish hall.**

This session is for parents and Confirmation Candidates for 2016 (grade 7 or higher).

The registration forms for this important Sacrament are found on the welcome desk at the back of the Church. We need a copy of the Baptism Certificate of the candidate (unless they were baptized at St. Basil Church).

### ASSUMPTION COLLEGE

Do you love theatre? Do you love food? The grade 11 drama class is putting on a Murder Mystery dinner theatre on **Thursday, November 5<sup>th</sup> at ACS.** The hospitality and tourism classes are putting the meal together to serve at 6:00 p.m. with the show starting by 7:00 p.m. Audiences will have a chance to interact with the cast as they become the detectives in solving the Mystery. Tickets are just \$15 for dinner and a show! **LAST DAY** to order dinner tickets is **Tuesday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>.** Call the school at 519-751-2030 ext. 445 for more information or for a vegetarian/gluten-free option.

### KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS, St. Basil Council # 13442 - Meeting Tuesday November 10, 2015

Mass at 6:30 pm in the Chapel, meeting to follow at 7:00 pm in the rectory. **Guest speaker:** Andrew Iarocci, Ph. D. Assistant Professor Department of History, Western University - Grand Knight: Bill Kane, Tel # 519-752-1331 E-mail: [wkane@sympatico.ca](mailto:wkane@sympatico.ca)

## BOOK OF GOSPELS

As mentioned the last several weeks the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops has published a new Book of Gospels.

- There will be a session for ALL LECTORS in the church on *Saturday, November 7<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 a.m.* to discuss the implications and importance of its use.

### “Liturgical Symbol of Christ”

The liturgical assembly itself is the original and main symbol of the presence of Christ. Within the assembly the *Book of Gospels*, solemnly carried in both the Entrance and Gospel Processions, became the first object to mirror the presence of Christ to the liturgical assembly. This predates the use of the processional cross. It explains the rationale in our tradition of having an ornately decorated cover for the *Book of Gospels*. It also explains why the image of Christ or the Cross is often found on many of the ancient and modern editions. This prominently carried *icon* of Christ helps us to know that Christ is indeed among us and speaks the words of life to us as he did to his disciples. While the unity of the Liturgy of the Word is maintained by the proclamation of all the Scripture Readings at the Ambo, special respect and dignity is accorded the Gospel in the rites surrounding its proclamation. Besides those things previously mentioned, this is also highlighted by the special minister of proclamation, the signs of the cross and the posture of the assembly (*GIRM60*). In addition, the use of the *Book of Gospels* opens up the full meaning and significance of the Gospel Acclamation, which joyfully acclaims and welcomes Christ.

**WORSHIP Band** - On *November 13<sup>th</sup> at our 9:30 am Mass* we will welcome Chaplain Andrew Hall of St. John College, and his worship band to lead us in some Mass hymns. We thank them in advance for their visit.

**SUNDAY MISSALS:** Our new Liturgical year begins the weekend of Nov. 28<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> with the beautiful Season of **ADVENT** (it is not Christmas yet!)

New Missals for this New Year are available at the back of the church for \$5.00 each

**CATHOLIC WOMEN’S LEAGUE** Membership Drive for the month of November starts on *Saturday, November 7<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 pm Mass* and *every weekend Mass in November*. Come see us at the back of the Church by the main entrance. You can renew your 2016 membership or ask questions about joining St. Basil Catholic Women’s League. Membership is \$21.00 cash or cheque accepted.

## HOLY COMMUNION TO A FAMILY MEMBER:

At times a request is made for Holy Communion to be brought to a family member who is ill at home, or in the hospital. Please ask Fr. Earl for this “ad hoc” permission and then do the following: ask for a pyx; place an unconsecrated host in the pyx and place the pyx on the altar **before** Mass begins. Take the consecrated host in the pyx to the person concerned at the **end** of Mass.

Diocesan policy forbids coming in the Communion procession with an empty pyx and asking for a consecrated host. Thank you.

**The Biblical Roots of Mercy...Preparing for the Jubilee Year** – All are encouraged and welcome to attend this evening session intended to help you prepare for the upcoming Jubilee Year of Mercy. Join us for evening prayer with Bishop Douglas Crosby, OMI and a presentation on the Biblical Roots of Mercy by world renowned biblical scholar, Sister Eileen Schuller, OSU. The event takes place at **The Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate, 28 Norfolk Street, Guelph, ON on Sunday, Nov. 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm.**

## CATHOLIC WOMEN’S LEAGUE

**“December 8, 2015”** please save the date for our annual Advent Dinner. Details to follow!!

## ANNUAL BAZAAR

Held at St. Anne’s School gym (Barton St. E. & Sherman Av. N. in Hamilton), *Saturday November 14<sup>th</sup> 2-7pm & Sunday Nov. 15<sup>th</sup> 10am to 1 pm.* Capital Cash Prizes, Penny Sale, Baked goods, Café Special Raffles. All are welcome Wheelchair accessible.

**WOMEN’S FALL RETREAT WEEKEND** at Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre in Mississauga, Nov. 20-22. For further info or to register please call 905-278-5229.

## SHOEBOX CAMPAIGN

Boxes will be out in the next few weeks. If anyone is unable to shop or only wants to donate a few items, please see Louise Connell or Kelly Kenny. Thank you for your generosity.

## GRAND RIVER CHORUS

On *Saturday, November 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm*, the Grand River Chorus will be performing their first show for the 2015/2016 season. Our show is titled ‘Musical Gems of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century’. It will be performed at St. Andrew’s United Church, 95 Darling Street, Brantford.

## ON THE LIGHTER SIDE:

My wife and I had words, but I didn’t get to use mine.

