

**THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, October 30, 2016**

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NEW WEBPAGE: [stbasilparish.ca](http://stbasilparish.ca)

**Mass Intentions this week**

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

*Nov. 1 to Nov. 6*

**Tuesday 6:30 pm †Anna Byrne**


**(All Saints and All Souls Day) in Church**

**Wednesday 12: noon †Living & deceased members  
(All Souls Day) Of St. Basil C.W.L.**

**6:30 pm †Alyce Kennaley**

**Friday 12: noon †Elda Marie Dietrich,  
Intentions of Florence Myers**

**Saturday 5:00 pm †JoAnn Holt, Domenico  
Colitti, Luigi Giavanna Petricca, Intentions of: Muriel  
Bunkiewicz.**

 **Sanctuary Lamp** this week Intentions of: The Living and deceased members of the Spelier & Duyidan families and repose of their Souls. Requests accepted by placing an envelope with the name of loved one and a donation of \$10 in the collection basket.

<b>DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR</b>	
Monday, October 31	Rev. Wojciech Kuzma
Tuesday, November 1	Rev. Msgr. Edward Sheridan
Wednesday, November 2	Deceased Consecrated Brothers and Sisters
Thursday, November 3	Very Rev. Adam Voisin
Friday, November 4	Very Rev. Msgr. Murray Kroetsch
Saturday, November 5	Rev. Edward Mahony

**OFFERTORY: Thank you!**

Sunday Envelopes:	\$2,313.00
Loose Collections:	\$1,230.00
Average Weekly Preauthorized	<u>\$ 485.00</u>

Total Weekly Offering Oct 23, 2016	\$4,028.00
Budget expenses for the week	\$4,265.00

**BULLETIN ADVERTISING**

We now have 5 spaces available at the back of our bulletin for advertising. If you can fill these empty spaces, please call Bialas Printing at 519-752-4268. Thank you!

**Parish Breakfast**

Sunday November 13, 2016  
8:30 AM to 12:00 Noon

**MEDITATION**

Saint Paul prays for the Thessalonians, and also for us, that God will make us worthy. Sometimes we think we deserve everything we want, so we need the reminder that everything is gift, and that it is only by God's gift that we are made worthy to be the children of God.

The Book of Wisdom explains why this is so astounding, acknowledging that we are part of a vast universe. When we say that God is great, that greatness comes from God's care for us, who are "the speck that tips the scales." Tiny thought we are, we are offered divine love for free, like handfuls of candy. Too often we just don't get it, and we sit hungry in the midst of a rich feast of grace. And when we don't get it, it is good to hear Jesus in the gospel showing the lengths to which God will go to make us worthy: "the Son of Man came to seek out and to save the lost."

But why did Jesus call Zacchaeus? Weren't there other worthy tax collectors around? Jesus saw how Zacchaeus worked past his own limitations in order to have an encounter with Jesus. In ways large and small, our lives are filled with opportunities to do the same.

Glenn Byer, Toronto, ON  
Novalis, Living with Christ

**HAITI!**

Bishop Crosby has encouraged us to take up a collection to support our Haitian brothers and sisters affected again by a major natural disaster.

There are Development and Peace envelopes that you can use (in various pews) . . . or

Give online by Visa, Mastercard, Amex at [www.Devp.org](http://www.Devp.org) (your data and personal information are totally secure).

By phone—toll free at 1-888-234-8533 Or

By cheque or money order to D & P: 1425 René-Levesque Boul. West 3<sup>rd</sup> floor, Montreal, Quebec H3G 1T2. Thank you for your generosity!

**RCIA!** means: The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults.

This Spiritual process is for adults seeking full Communion in the Roman Catholic Church. This may entail Baptism if the person has never been Baptized. Those Baptized in another Christian communion are welcome – they would celebrate the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist at the Easter Vigil in 2017. Wednesday evenings 6:30 – 8 pm in the Rectory.

## **ST. BASIL PARISH 175<sup>TH</sup> Anniversary Dinner**

As a part of our 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Year, St. Basil Parish is hosting a pasta dinner for families selected from our parish community and school system. Any parishioners who wish to volunteer at this event can sign up at the back of the Church. This is a great opportunity for high school students to receive credit for volunteer/community hours. For more information contact Tom or Kelly Mitchell at 519-304-5412.

## **CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE NEWS**

All ladies 16 and over are encouraged to join St. Basil's Catholic Women's League. Join as a united voice for all Catholic Women.

**Membership Drive** – starts November 5<sup>th</sup> weekend. Come see us at the back of the Church after all three Masses.

**BURSARY** – Students who are members of the parish, graduating from St. John's College and Assumption College in 2017 are eligible for the bursary. Please obtain an application from the school.

## **FLOWERS FOR SENIORS**

On Friday, October 7, several C.W.L. members delivered Thanksgiving flowers to 41 women of the parish who cannot get out often or are shut-ins. The residents were thrilled to receive the plants but also to have someone to talk to. It was rewarding to all. Please watch for the next time we deliver flowers and join us.

## **WORLD MISSION MONTH**

Thank you very much for your generous support for World Mission Sunday last week. This support is a blessing for the priests, Sisters, Brothers and Lay catechists who depend on this help through the Society for the Propagation of the Faith. Please continue to pray for all who serve in mission countries that they may remain steadfast in their vocation to bring Christ's message of love to those they serve – the world's most vulnerable.

**PERMANENT DIACONATE** – Information Meeting  
Men interested in learning about the Permanent Diaconate Formation program in the diocese of Hamilton are invited to attend one of the three following information sessions:

**February 5, 2017** at the Chancery Office, Hamilton

**May 7, 2017** at St. Michael Church, Waterloo

To register or for more information, please contact Deacon Peter Gittens at

[diaconateformation@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:diaconateformation@hamiltondiocese.com) or by telephone at (905) 528-7988, ext 2258.

## **SACRAMENTAL Preparation Sessions:**

**Registration forms** for the Sacraments of First Reconciliation, First Eucharist, and Confirmation are ready for pick up at the back of the Church.

Please bring the completed form, along with a **copy** of the child's Baptism form to our initial session in the Parish Hall: (unless he/she was Baptized here).

The initial session for **parents** of **First Communicants** will be held in our parish hall on **Thursday, November 10<sup>th</sup>, 7 pm – 8 pm.**

The initial session for **Confirmation (Parent & Candidate)** will be held in our parish hall on **Thursday, November 17<sup>th</sup>, - 7 p.m.**

According to our Diocesan guidelines, First Reconciliation and First Communion are celebrated with children in grade 2 or higher, and Confirmation with grade 7 or higher.

Please put these dates in your calendar!

**NB: \* No Registration Forms will be accepted after Christmas.**

## **"The Spirit Moving in Our Fifty Year Journey With Development and Peace"**

Please join us as Margaret McDyre and Fr. Ted Slaman guide us through a joyful remembering our journey, rejoicing in the movement of the Spirit in our work with Development and Peace since its beginnings. Discover where the Spirit is calling us now.

**Saturday, November 5, 2016. - 9:30 – 3:15**

Ignatius Jesuit Centre Guelph

St Brigid's Villa and St Francis Chapel

5420 Hwy. 6 North, Guelph.

## **COME RETREAT AT LOYOLA HOUSE (Guelph, ON)**

Are you looking to break away and spend some time in silence? Or are you looking to upgrade your skills in giving Spiritual Direction? See our website at

[loyolahouse.com](http://loyolahouse.com) for more information on these

upcoming retreats & programs: **Individual Director or**

**Advent Prayer Weekend** - November 25-27 **Directed**

**Prayer Weekend** - November 25-27 **Let Heaven &**

**Nature Sing: Advent Retreat with the Earth** -

November 25-27 **Advent Taize Weekend** - December 2

-Register online at [loyolahouse.com](http://loyolahouse.com) or contact

[registration@ignatiusguelph.ca](mailto:registration@ignatiusguelph.ca) or by calling

519.824.1250 ext. 266.

## **GRAND RIVER CHORUS**

**Verdi Requiem** - This glorious, operatic work is a real tour de force of the choral and orchestral repertoire. Magnificent soaring sounds and brilliant harmonies will thrill you.

**Sunday November 13<sup>th</sup> 2016, at 3:00 pm** at St. Basil Church. Concert Tickets: Adults \$24, Youth \$14, available at the door or in advance at: The Brantford bookworm, 331 Brant Avenue.