

THIRTY– FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



PASTOR'S CORNER

Let me begin in a poetic way: The days are growing shorter and shorter, the sun will often be somewhere else, the cold weather is here to stay, and today is the last Sunday of the liturgical year. But if this were your last day, hour, minute, or breath, imagine how you might drink in the daylight, taste the twilight, touch the stars, smell the sunshine, delight at songbirds, look at your loved ones, bow before the sanctity of a stranger, and be carried away with astonishment at the wonder of it all with breath-taking scenery. All this can stun us as well as amaze us.

But perhaps we engage life in its fullness when we stop asking if we are “there” yet and live into the unfolding and radical realization that we are always already “here.” For it is only “here” that we can really be wholly present and fully engaged; and no matter where you go, there you are. But sometimes we all have times in our lives when we get down on ourselves and miss all of this, because we concentrate more on the way we look, something we did or said, or what we see as personal weaknesses. Those things, however, do not define who we are. We are so much more than that, and God is always ready to help us realize that every moment of our life counts in light of the life to come, because our present life in its fullness does not mean just eating, drinking and be merry for tomorrow we die. It is not like Cinderella squeezing every bit of enjoyment and partying before the clock strikes twelve.

Living is “dying” every day in so many different ways, after which comes the end, but the end is just the beginning of a new adventure with God as we will hopefully enter into everlasting joy. But for now, the world needs our sacred presence. So will you accept the challenge to be holy, human, and fully alive with the Lord instead of being constantly distracted, discouraged and finally even disappointed in the end when Jesus will return to judge the living and the dead? **Remember: Safety consists not in the absence of danger but in the presence of God, because good intentions for tomorrow count for nothing today.**

Fr. Slawek



Come pray the 10,000 Hail Mary

Date: Saturday, December 9

Time: 6 a.m.—2 p.m.

Place: Parish Hall

Everyone is welcome

NOVEMBER 26, 2023

WHY REGISTER IN A PARISH?

A Catholic parish is the single most important part of our Catholic Church. This is where we continue the mission of Jesus Christ. This is where we publicly express our faith, joining together with others to give witness of our communion with God and with one another.

There are many reasons to register:

It is an official way to join a parish community. It also gives you a sense of belonging and identity in a parish community.

Provides the parish community with a way to welcome you.

In times of joy and in times of struggle, it is comforting to have the support of a faith family.

It is a commitment to practice your faith.

Gives a chance for you and your family to be counted and heard in the parish.

Being included in the demographics of the parish helps in the planning for the needs of the parish.

Gives the parish a way to connect with you.

In order to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion, Confirmation, or Holy Matrimony you will need to be a registered member.

For religious education instruction and Sacramental preparation, the families of those attending must also be registered parishioners.

To aid in the registration to the Catholic schools.

A way to be included in the religious, social, and ministerial activities of your parish

Also, if you use offertory envelopes or online giving, you will also receive a year-end statement of your donations for income tax purposes.

Your registration affects the parish in many ways. Census numbers can determine how many priests are assigned to a particular church, what benefits and obligations the community has to the diocese, and how Masses, Confessions, and devotions are planned and scheduled.

If you were previously a minor registered under you parents and have now become the age of majority it is your responsibility to register at your parish.

MASS INTENTIONS



Tuesday, November 28

9 a.m. Intentions to Christ the King req. by Lulu.

Wednesday, November 29

9 a.m. Repose of the soul of Frank G. Ficar Jr. req. by the Ficar family.

Thursday, November 30

9 a.m. Private Intentions.

Friday, December 1

9 a.m. Repose of the soul of Shirley Lynch req. by the Gendron family.

Saturday, December 2

4:30p.m. Repose of the soul of Angeline D'Souza req. by May & Harry D'Souza.

Sunday, December 3

9 a.m. Repose of the soul of David Emer req. by the Emer family.

11 a.m. Intentions of all Parishioners.

COFFEE & TEA & SNACKS SOCIAL



Wednesday, November 29, 2023
After the 9 a.m. Mass in the Parish Basement

Sunday, December 17, 2023
After the 9 a.m. & 11 a.m. Mass in the Parish Basement



Children's Liturgy

Every Sunday during the 9 am mass.

The Dalai Lama, when asked what surprised him most about humanity, answered "Man. Because he sacrifices his health in order to make money. Then he sacrifices money to recuperate his health. And then he is so anxious about the future that he does not enjoy the present; the result being that he does not live in the present or the future; he lives as if he is never going to die, and then dies having never really lived."



The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul Holy Spirit Conference



Turning concern into action

We are called to follow Jesus, by being of service to others with humility, gentleness, compassion and love. We can be true followers of Jesus' message by reaching out to the people who ask us for help, people who depend on us for their material and spiritual needs—our neighbour in-need. As a community, let us commit ourselves to reach out to those in need.

Thank you for your contributions to the Poor Box after Mass.