



## 29<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time October, 19 & 20 2019

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**Reconciliation/confession** is available every Saturday 11 am-noon at St. Ambrose Co-Cathedral.

### MASS INTENTIONS – October 19–27 2019

**Sat. 4pm** John Cunningham and Steve Sweeney  
**6pm (Melbourne)** Ernest Surette

**Sun. 9am Parishioners**  
**11:15am** Darrell Babin and Anthony Babin

**Mon. No Mass**

**Tues. 6:30pm** Delphis Doucette and Eleanor Pothier

**Wed. 6:30pm** Dorothy Cook and Anniv. Larry Saunders

**Thur. 9am** Audrey Goudey and Intentions of Adeline Cook

**Fri. 9am** NO MASS (Mass at the Meadows)

**Sat. 4pm Parishioners**  
**6pm (Melbourne)** Lillian Charchuck

**Sun. 9am** Frank Muise and Daniel Poirier  
**11:15am** Kenneth Bourque and Alice Chapowicki

**IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BRING UP THE GIFTS** in the offertory procession at a weekend Mass (if you are a family member of the person the Mass is for) please see the greeters **at least 20 minutes before Mass begins.**

*Please note:* The weekday Mass will be cancelled in the event of a funeral Mass. The Mass intention scheduled for that day will be offered at a later date.

**CHRIST LIFE NEWS** – We are looking for volunteers to make desserts for Discovering Christ, Thursdays from October 10<sup>th</sup> to November 21<sup>st</sup>. If you can bake and want to help out for one of these weeks, please call the office and leave your contact information.



**COFFEE SOCIALS:** The coffee socials will be taking place next weekend after all the masses



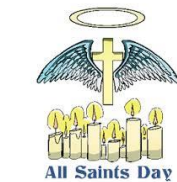
**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS:** Community Breakfast: This Sunday, October 20<sup>th</sup> from 9am -noon at the Knights of Columbus Hall. Adults -\$7.00 and children under 12 -\$3.50. Eat in or take out.



**VOTING TIME AGAIN:** The Catechism of the Catholic Church says that it is “...morally obligatory to pay taxes, to exercise the right to vote, and to defend one’s country.” While the Church does not endorse any particular party, the Church does pass moral judgments even in matters related to politics whenever the “fundamental rights of man or the salvation of souls requires it”. I encourage you to look at what each party stands for from a Catholic perspective before you cast your vote. Fr. Henry



**PARADE OF SAINTS:** To celebrate All Saint’s Day, there will be a Parade of Saints for children on November 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Jubilee room after the 11:15 a.m. Mass. Children can dress as their favourite saint and say a word or two about who their saint is and what they did. All children welcome, including babies! Games and prizes. Everyone is invited to come watch. Light refreshments served. For more information, contact Leila at 902-307-5966.



**YOUTH ACTIVITIES:** Children of the Light will begin Monday October 21<sup>st</sup> 6:30 to 8:00 for youth grades 4 to 8 in the Youth Room in the Parish Centre. This weekly youth group will have talks, games, snacks and lots of fun. We hope to see you there!



**NET Retreat!** NET is a National Evangelization Team that travels across Canada putting on retreats for youth. We will be having the NET team down to St Ambrose on Saturday November 2nd. There will be discussions, small group, skits and much more. It is

for youth in grades 7 to 12. It will begin with registration at 9 am and the main retreat will begin at 9:30 am. Lunch will be provided and the day will end with mass at 4pm. Confirmation students will be required to be there and those who are planning to take part in Steubenville Atlantic are strongly encouraged to attend. We are asking you to please notify the office by October 28<sup>th</sup> if you are planning to attend.

### FOR THE GREATER GLORY OF GOD: Retreat on St.



Ignatius of Loyola - Saturday, October 26<sup>th</sup>, 9am to 12 noon in St. Ambrose Jubilee Room. This retreat reflects on St. Ignatius as a pilgrim seeking the greater glory of God and draws out several virtues necessary for our own pilgrimage through life. It looks at how St. John the Baptist, a kindred spirit of St. Ignatius, taught his followers to seek the greater glory of God. It will delve into the examen prayer, a practical tool St. Ignatius warmly recommended in order to see God’s action in our own lives, and respond with faith, with hope and with love. No fee or registration. Sponsored by Regnum Christi - Yarmouth. For more information please call Coleen at 902-742-4924.

### ADVENT PARISH MISSION:



**Theme: Beloved, Chosen and Appointed.** Mark your calendars and plan to join Father Mark Cherry who will lead us in this three-day Parish Mission, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evening, November 25<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> the first week of Advent. Father Mark has recently been appointed to a new full-time ministry of evangelization by Archbishop Mancini. This Mission is for anyone seeking meaning and purpose in life. It is designed to facilitate a personal experience of the love of God through Jesus Christ. Come and hear about God’s love and how we can experience it each day of our lives. Come and find wisdom and direction for your life. Come and discover how to live out your Divine Mission. During the Mission you will experience inspiring praise and worship, dynamic preaching of God’s Word, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, an opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation and the celebration of the Holy Eucharist. Brochures

will be available in the next few weeks giving more information.

**QUOTE OF THE WEEK:** There are in truth three states or the converted: the beginning, the middle and the perfection. In the beginning they experience the charms of sweetness; in the middle the contests of temptation; and in the end the fullness of perfection. – St. Gregory the Great



**REFLECTION:** “...because this widow keeps bothering me I shall deliver a just decision for her lest she finally come and strike me.” Luke 18:5 This passage is from the story of the Persistent Widow. She kept coming to a judge, who cared little about doing the right thing, and persistently begged him for a good judgment. Finally he gave in so as to get her to leave him alone. Jesus used this story to teach a lesson about the necessity “to pray always without becoming weary” (Luke 18:1). It’s interesting that the image of the judge is one “who neither feared God nor respected any human being” (Luke 18:2). But Jesus uses this image of an unjust judge to reveal the power of persistence and to reveal the depths of God’s mercy.

First, we learn that this woman never gave up. So with us, we must never cease to lose hope in prayer. We must pray always, constantly and persistently. It’s not that prayer changes God; rather, prayer changes us and disposes us to receive the immeasurable graces from God. Second, we learn that if an uncaring judge will eventually give a good decision, then so much more will the merciful and all-loving God pour forth His good judgments in our lives when we trust Him. There should be no doubt in our lives that God can do all good things for us if we but let Him. Reflect, today, upon how persistent you are in your prayer. The prayer you must seek to live is primarily a prayer of total trust and abandonment to God. You do not change God’s mind by begging Him. Rather, your prayer must be so persistent that it opens you to the will of God and allows His grace to flow in accord with His perfect will. *Lord, I beg of You that Your perfect and holy will be done in my life. I abandon all to You, dear Lord. Do with me as You will. Jesus, I trust in You.*