

30th Sunday of Ordinary Time October 24th& 25th, 2020

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Reconciliation/confession is available by appointment only at this time please call the office or email Fr. Henry directly for an appointment.

MASS INTENTIONS October 24 th –November 1 st , 2020		
Sat.	October 24	4pm Andrew Deveau and Ray Bowers
Sun.	October 25	10:00am (Melbourne) NO MASS
	October 25	10:00am Parishioners
Wed.	October 28	9am Jordon, Kennedy & Mackenzie
		Surette and Vic Amirault
Sat.	October 31	4pm Parishioners
Sun.	November 1	10:00am (Melbourne) David LeBlanc
M/ Sat. Sun. Wed. Sat. Sun.	November 1	10:00am Intentions of Matthew
Thibeau and intentions of Heather Goreham		

Please note we will not be carrying the gifts for the offertory until further notice.

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.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK: Keep your heart in peace and let nothing trouble you, not even your faults. You must humble yourself and amend them peacefully, without being discouraged or cast down, for God's dwelling is in peace. ~St. Margaret Mary Alaoque

MASS SIGNUP: If you would like to attend mass, we ask you to please call the parish office between the hours of 9:30 to 1:00 Monday to Friday to register.

With social distancing in place we will be using a lottery system to choose who will attend the mass each weekend. Wednesday masses will be a first come first served for the time being., if it becomes necessary to do the lottery then we will implement it at that time.

LIVE MASS WITH FR. HENRY: 1 (Fr. Henry) do a live mass every Wednesday at 9:00 am and this Saturday at 4:00pm and the following Sunday at 10:00am (unless there are technical difficulties and then it will be put on after it has been recorded.). The masses will be streamed live from St. Ambrose Church. If you want to watch, go to our web site at www.stambroseyarmouth.ca or go to my YouTube channel www.youtube.com/channel/UC1CwQVc8xpu57fbCsu0fLg/videos?view=57&flow=grid (Copy and paste this link into your web browser if you would like to follow along.)

EMAIL TRANSFERS: are now available. Please send to stambrosemail@gmail.com Please add your envelope number in the message box if you have one or a mailing address for an income tax receipt.

OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH: for parishioners who had regularly attended and if you haven't received a call, contact Alice at 902-663-2386 or Betty at 902-742-4965. Please note there will be no Mass on Sunday in October except for Sunday October 18.

COMMUNITY COLLECTION: The Community Collection will take place October 24 & 25 and November 21 & 22, and your help is needed. We are inviting the faithful to help us support the pastoral initiatives needed to build up communities of faith that make missionary disciples for the realities of today's world. Together we can do this by donating to this year's collections.

REFLECTIONS: The Greatest Commandment

"Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" <u>Matthew 22:36</u>

This question was posed by one of the scholars of the law in an attempt to test Jesus. It's clear, from the context of this passage, that the relationship between Jesus and the religious leaders of His time was beginning to become contentious. They were beginning to test Him and were even trying to trap Him. However, Jesus continued to silence them with His words of wisdom. In response to the question above, Jesus silences this scholar of the law by giving the perfect answer. He says, "You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment. The second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself" (Matthew 22:37-39). With this statement, Jesus gives a complete summary of the moral law found in the Ten Commandments. The first three Commandments reveal that we must love God above all and with all our might. The last six Commandments reveal that we must love our neighbor. The moral law of God is as simple as fulfilling these two more general commandments. But is it all that simple? Well, the answer is both "Yes" and "No." It's simple in the sense that God's will is not typically complex and difficult to comprehend. Love is spelled out clearly in the Gospels and we are called to embrace a radical life of true love and charity. However, it can be considered difficult in that we are not only called to love, we are called to love with all our being. We must give of ourselves completely and without reserve. This is radical and requires that we hold nothing back. Reflect, today, upon the simple call to love God and your neighbor with <u>all</u> that you are. Reflect, especially, upon that word "all." As you do, you will most certainly become aware of ways in which you fail to give everything. As you see your failure, recommit in hope to the glorious path of making a total gift of yourself to God and others. Lord, I choose to love You with my whole heart, mind, soul and strength. I also choose to love all people as You love them. Give me the grace to live these two commandments of love and to see them as the path to holiness of life. I do love You, dear Lord. Help me to love You more. Jesus, I trust in You.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS: Monthly Meeting:



Tuesday November 10th, 2020 all members invited 6:00pm executive meeting and 7:00pm general meeting. Please note there

will be no supper at this time. **4th Degree** meeting will be November 17th at 7:00 pm all members are invited.

2020 ASSEMBLY OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD: Our 9th annual Assembly of the People of God this year will be a virtual experience! Join us, online on Saturday, November 7, from 9:00am to 1:00pm. We'll begin the day with a message from Archbishop Mancini and then break out into workshops. Every aspect of the gathering will be held online to allow for everyone to tune in no matter where you are...and stay safe doing so!_The Assembly gathers us as a diocesan family with our Archbishops to pray for our diocese and equip ourselves to proclaim the Good News of Christ in all circumstances – even a global

pandemic! This year we focus on training for our various levels of parish leadership – parish councils, finance councils, leadership teams, and catechists. For more information and to register go to: www.halifaxyarmouth.org/assembly

DE COLORES: This is the day that the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it! It is with great joy that, we, your friends of the NACG announce the NACG VIRTUAL ENCOUNTER 2020! We hope and pray that you can join us in celebrating friendship in a climate of Ultreya on November 20-21, 2020. Your timely registration will allow our committee the ability to create breakout sessions and plan accordingly based on number of attendees, countries, etc. Registrations are now open, as well as the webstore to purchase t-shirts and face masks! Visit <u>www.nacg.mx</u> for more registration information.

FOOD BANK: Next weekend, October 31st and November 1st, is our turn to support the Yarmouth Food Bank. Non-perishable goods and monetary donations are appreciated.

