



32nd Sunday of Ordinary Time
November 7th & 8th, 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—November 7th -15th, 2020

Sat.	Nov. 7	4pm Rita d'Entremont and Arthur Cottreau
	Nov. 8	9am Parishioners
Sun.	Nov. 8	10am (Melbourne) Loring Clairmont
	Nov. 8	11am Angela McCarthy and Clarence Surette
Wed.	Nov. 11	9am Victor & Emma Comeau and Intentions of Donald Maclsaac
Sat.	Nov. 14	4pm Parishioners
Sun.	Nov. 15	9am Emilien Poirier and Rosa Hattie
	Nov. 15	10am (Melbourne)
	Nov. 15	11am Steve Cook and Hugh "Buddy" Smith

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: Think well. Speak well. Do well. These three things, through the mercy of God, will make a person go to heaven. -St. Camillus de Lellis

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. Wednesday masses will be a first come first served. **Please note** Mass times for the weekend is Saturday at **4:00pm** and Sunday at **9:00am** and **11:00am**.

For parishioners who had regularly attended Our Lady of Lourdes' masses in Melbourne and haven't signed up as of yet please contact Alice at 902-663-2386 or Betty at 902-742-4965 if you wish to attend.

LIVE MASS WITH FR. HENRY: I (Fr. Henry) do a live mass every Wednesday at 9:00 am and this Saturday at 14:00pm and the following Sunday at 11:00am (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.stambroseymarmouth.ca or go to my YouTube channel www.youtube.com/channel/UC1CwQV-c8xpu57fbCsu0fLg/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 or personal information for income tax purposes.

COMMUNITY COLLECTION: The Community Collection will take place 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.

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.

REFLECTIONS: Ready for the Lord




Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

"Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour." [Matthew 25:13](#)
Imagine if you knew the day and hour you would pass from this life. Of course, some people do know that death is approaching either due to illness or age. But think about this in your own life. What if

you were told by Jesus that tomorrow is that day. Are you ready? Most likely there would be many practical details that would come to mind that you would want to take care of. Many would think about all their loved ones and what impact this would have on them. Set that all aside for now and ponder the question from one perspective only. Are you ready to meet Jesus? Once you pass from this life there is only one thing that will matter. What will Jesus say to you? Just prior to this quoted Scripture above, Jesus tells the Parable of the Ten Virgins. Some were wise and had oil for their lamps. When the groom came late in the night, they were ready with lamps lit to meet him and he welcomed them. The foolish ones were not prepared and did not have oil for their lamps. When the groom came, they missed him and heard the words, "Amen, I say to you, I do not know you". The oil in their lamps, or the lack thereof, is a symbol of charity. If we are to be prepared to meet the Lord at any time, on any day, we must have charity in our lives. Charity is much more than a passion or emotion of love. Charity is a radical commitment to love others with the heart of Christ. It's a daily habit we form by choosing to put others first, offering them all that Jesus asks us to give. It may be a small sacrifice or a heroic act of forgiveness. But whatever the case may be, we need charity in order to be ready to meet our Lord. Reflect, today, upon those in your life whom God wants you to love. How well do you do this? How complete is your commitment? How far are you willing to go? Whatever comes to mind in regard to your lacking of this gift, pay attention to this and beg the Lord for His grace so that you, too, will be one who is wise and ready to meet the Lord at any time. ~ My Catholic Life

NEW EUTHANSIA BILL: New legislation is coming and disability advocates are fearful. The federal government has tabled legislation to expand access to euthanasia to people who are not about to die, including people with disabilities. A 2019 government report said that people choose euthanasia because of fear of being a burden, loneliness, lack of support, or loss of dignity and meaning. People with disabilities face these issues daily. As a society, we have a responsibility to support the vulnerable, not allow them to be

permanently silenced. The *Coalition for HealthCARE and Conscience* encourages Canadians to write to their MP. Let them know you don't want access to euthanasia **expanded to include vulnerable people who are not at the end of their lives**. It could be someone in your family next or it could be you. To send an email, visit: http://www.canadiansforconscience.ca/federal_government The *Coalition for HealthCARE and Conscience* is an association of 10 organizations, of which 6 are Catholic. Many of you may know that our own Deacon Larry Worthen has been very active in this bring light to this issue. He and associates have put together **two short YouTube videos** on this relevant and important issue. The link is here: <https://youtu.be/bECmV6OEDTo>



Our sympathy is extended to the family and friends of
Thomas Cecil Fitzgerald, John Wendell Dennis MacNeil, Hazel May Stuart and Theresa Davis
Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them.

MISSALS: The Living Faith yearly missals are ready for pickup at the parish office for \$5.00 each. For those who may have forgotten to order we have extras available. The word Among us daily missals are also available for November and December for \$3.00 each.



REMEMBRANCE DAY: Help us to lift our eyes above the torment of this broken world, and grant us the grace to **pray** for those who wish us harm. As we honour the past, may we put our faith in your future; for you are the source of life and hope, now and forever. Amen.

