

How many of us cling to things that interfere with getting closer to God? Sins of envy, gluttony, greed or avarice, lust, pride, sloth or wrath are often confused with what we need and want and we sometimes try to justify hanging onto them. Jesus identifies faith as the key that can help us find the way when we are blinded by confusion over what is important. Faith will save us.

ST. COLUMBAN

PARISH

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)

OCTOBER 28, 2018

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CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

IN OUR PARISH

Saturday, October 27th OUR LADY'S SATURDAY (OM)

3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Confessions
 5:30 p.m. Cathie Fraser (20th Anniversary of Death) by Joan Provost & Family

Sunday, October 28th 30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30 a.m. Intentions of Parishioners
 9:30 a.m. Pedro Cespon by a Parishioner
 11:00 a.m. Helen Collins by William Haines

Monday, October 29th

7:30 a.m. **No Mass** 30TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

Tuesday, October 30th

7:30 a.m. Angela Ricci by Therese Paquette

Wednesday, October 31st

7:30 a.m. Souls in Purgatory by a Parishioner

Thursday, November 01st ALL SAINTS (S)

7:30 a.m. Marilyn Hamilton by Her Family

Friday, November 02nd SACRED HEART of JESUS - FIRST FRIDAY THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFULLY DEPARTED (ALL SOUL'S DAY)

7:30 a.m. Fr. Fred Power S.J. by Joan Earle
 8:00 a.m. ADORATION

Saturday, November 03rd ST. MARTIN DE PORRES (OM) IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY - FIRST SATURDAY

7:00 – 7:25 a.m. Confessions
 8:00 a.m. For the Healing & Conversion of Our Children by a Parishioner
 3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Confessions
 5:30 p.m. Julie Primeau by Pauline Primeau

Sunday, November 04th 31ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30 a.m. Intentions of Parishioners
 9:30 a.m. George Brand by Wife Georgette & Family
 11:00 a.m. Augustin & Eileen Mondoux by Diane & Gilles Lafrance

Monday, November 05th

7:30 a.m. **No Mass** 31ST WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

"And Jesus said to him, 'Go your way; your faith has made you well.' And immediately he received his sight and followed him on the way. - Mark 10:52

Faith is believing in something even though you may not be able to see it. Many people think that miracles don't happen anymore. But, if you focus on the positive, not the negative, focus on your blessings instead of hardships, miracles will seem common and you will see God's active presence in your daily life.

TODAY'S READINGS – OCTOBER 28TH

1st Reading: Jeremiah 31.7-9
 2nd Reading: Hebrews 5.1-6
 Gospel: Mark 10.46-52
 My teacher, let me see again.

ADVENT RETREAT MSGR SEAN HARTY



Saturday, November 17, 2018 9:30 am.
 Everyone in the Diocese is welcome to a one day retreat hosted by St Columban's Parish facilitated by Msgr. Sean Harty. More information to follow.

WORLD MISSION MONTH

Thank you very much for your generous contribution to last week's World Mission Sunday collection. This support is a blessing for the Bishops, the Priests, the Sisters, the Brothers and the lay catechists who depend on this help from the Society for the Propagation of the Faith. Please continue to pray for those who serve in mission countries so that they may remain steadfast in their vocation to bring Christ's message of love to those they serve.

INTERCESSORY PRAYER - Bring a Friend

Thank you to all those attending our monthly evening of Intercessory Prayer. Our next evening will take place on Thursday, November 01, 2018, 7pm in the Church. Bring a friend and your specific prayer intentions as we will also continue to pray for our Parish and our Diocese. Followed by refreshments and Social time. If anyone is interesting in sharing how God has worked in their life or if you would like more information, please call Janet Surgeson at [613-363-5331](tel:613-363-5331) or by email at janetsurgeson@gmail.com



Deacon Chris on your 28th year of Ordination to the Diaconate, Nov 03, 2018.

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS TEA & BAKE SALE

St. Columban's Catholic Women's League, Saturday November 24, 2018 - 12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. **Parish Activity Centre**, Admission \$8.00, Basket draw, Bake sale, Candy table. Tickets for the basket draw will also be available after mass on the weekends of Nov. 10th & 17th.

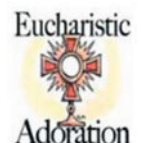
THE POPE'S NOVEMBER INTENTIONS

Universal – In Service of Peace

That the language of love and dialogue may always prevail over the language of conflict.

FIRST FRIDAY – 2 NOVEMBER ADORATION

After 7:30 a.m. Mass, the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed with a Time of Adoration, prayer, Scripture & meditation, closing with Benediction.



FIRST SATURDAY – 3 NOVEMBER

Confessions 7 to 7:25 a.m.
 Rosary prayed at 7:30 a.m.
 Mass at 8 a.m.
 Come and pray.



IN OUR PARISH AND DIOCESE

OUR LADY OF THE HOLY ROSARY

Beginning on October 02 in keeping with our Lady's request, we will pray the Rosary followed by Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament every Tuesday through Friday throughout the month of October at 10:00 a.m. in the Church. Personal prayer intentions will be received throughout the month and will be blessed at the closing Mass on Wednesday Oct 31, at 12:10 p.m.

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

In the tradition of our Church NOVEMBER IS THE 'MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS' a time to pray and give thanks for those we love but see no longer. A book of remembrance is located at the front of the Church and all are invited to inscribe the names of your departed loved ones. St. Paul reminds us: "It is a good and wholesome thing to pray for the dead."

EMBS PENSION PLAN

The priests' pension plan annual collection will take place Sunday November 4. Last year's collection generated \$66,581. We are very appreciative of your concern for our welfare. You may recall that when we began seeking your help, the monthly pension was at \$750. The number of retired priests outnumber the active priests by a ratio of almost 2 to 1. In July of 2014, we were able to raise the pension to \$800 per month. Our target is to reach \$1,100 and we had hoped to implement another adjustment to \$875 per month effective July 1 of 2016. However, because of continued low interest rates plus a change in the mortality experience (people are living longer therefore more money is required to pay the monthly pension), we have had to postpone increasing the monthly pension. There is a current deficit that must first be eliminated before we can consider a change and this will likely take a few years. We thank you for your consideration and generosity. Should you have any questions, please contact:

Deacon Pierre Aubé at: (613)933-1138, extension 25, or Father Daniel Van Delst at: 1 (613)738-5025, extension 218.

JELLO FOR THE CHRISTMAS BASKETS

The Catholic Women's League has the yearly responsibility of supplying packages of Jello for the Christmas baskets. This year we've been requested to collect 24 hundred boxes. We're inviting parishioners to join us in this effort. If you wish to assist us in this charitable project, there will be a basket at the main door at the back of the church and one at the front east door. The basket will be labelled Jello. We will be collecting the Jello until the end of November. Store brands are much cheaper and just as acceptable. Thank you for your participation in providing for the families in need.

ST. COLUMBAN COLLECTION REPORT FOR OCTOBER 14, 2018

Sunday Envelopes	3,567.90
Loose Collection	333.72
Total	\$ 3,901.62

PARISH OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

The offertory envelopes for 2019 will be available the first week of November at the 4th Street entrance. If you are new to the parish and require envelopes please call the office or fill out the registration form located at the 4th street entrance and drop it in the collection basket or the mailbox at the Rectory.

WHAT'S YOUR STORY?

A workshop to help you share your faith with others!

We all have a story to tell. A story about a time when God sent us just the person we needed in a crisis, or we felt peace in the middle of a very difficult situation. Perhaps it was time when we recognized the presence of God in our lives in a real way. Or it maybe it was a transitional moment in our lives? Perhaps a miracle of healing?

People love to hear stories... faith stories. They want to know why we believe what we believe. It's an easy way to share Jesus with others.

Come and learn how to put your story together and how to share it. Between the two evenings, you will have time to think, pray and work on your story and then share it... even with one other person.

Join us downstairs at the AGORA Catholic Center, Tuesday October 23rd and again Tuesday October 30th for this 2 part session. Begins at 7pm. Coffee and dessert offered from 6:30 – 7:00. For prime parking, come early.

Led by Marilyn Bergeron and Janet Surgeson. Pre-register please to janetsurgeson@gmail.com or by calling 613-363-5331.

DIOCESAN PASTORAL THEME FOR 2018-2019



Christ is everything for us.

*"Let us work for the good of all, and especially for the family of the faith".
Colossians 6:10b*

WHAT CATHOLICS BELIEVE - WITH FR. KEVIN MALONEY

Join us **Thursday mornings from 9:00-10:00 a.m.** in the St. Francis de Sales Parish Hall as Fr. Kevin leads us in six sessions focusing on the Prophets. These popular one-hour sessions begin on Thursday, 25th October 2018 and continue for six weeks. All are welcome to these informative talks by Fr. Kevin with time set aside for questions.

PREPARATION FOR THE SACRAMENTS OF RECONCILIATION, CONFIRMATION AND FIRST COMMUNION

Is your child or grandchild in the Public School System? Are they in a Separate School and have not received the Sacraments? **If so, this notice is for you!!** Now is the time to register for after school sacramental preparation classes. Please call the parish office at 613-932-9616 to register or for more information. **Looking for volunteers!!** If you are interested in helping run this program either one day a week from 3 - 4pm or on a Saturday morning - the first session is 6 weeks. Please call the office at 613-932-9616 with your name and phone number.



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