

Thirty-First Sunday In Ordinary Time

November 5th, 2023 ~ Liturgical Year A

Mass Intentions

† November 6th, 2023 to November 12th, 2023

Monday~.....No Mass.....~ Nov 6th

Tuesday~Nov 7th

8:00 am † Slade & Hynes families (by Soli Sisters)

† Nicola Gaspari (by family)

Wednesday.....Nov 8th

8:00 am † Shirley Favero (by Larry and Anne Favero)

† For all the Saints (by a Parishioner)

Thursday The Dedication of The Lateran Basilica Nov 9th

8:00 am † Jim, Mary & Tom Kenny (by Don & Joan Kenny)

† Donato, Antonio & Luisa Perella
(by Annunziata Perella)

10:15 am **Mass with School Community**

† Josephine Innocentin (by Nicole Brochu)

12:30 pm **Mass with School Community**

† Amerina DeGasperis (by Assunta Chiesa)

FridaySt. Leo The Great, Pope, Doctor.....Nov 10th

8:00 am † Antonio, Anna & Domenico Gazzellone

(by Maria Petrini)

† Giuseppina Pizzacalla

(by Tony & Gino Pizzacalla)

Saturday.....St. Martin of Tours, Bishop..... Nov 11th

8:00 am † Ann Marie Iamonaco (by Donna Scappaticci)

† Elizabeth Longo (by Jean & Gerard Parent)

5:00 pm † John, Emilia & Domenico Continelli

(by Carmela & family)

† Lucia Micoli (by family)

† Antonio D' Ammizio

(by Maria Vettraino & daughter)

† Giana Tesolin (by Mary Tesolin & family)

† Len Michaud (by Jane)

† Isabel Ely (by Jane)

Sunday Thirty-Second Sunday In Ordinary Time Nov 12th

8:00 am ♥ † For The People of Holy Rosary Parish

9:30 am † Maria & Nicola Terrigno (by Annunziata Perella)

† Raffaele Paolone (by Nunzio DiFelice)

11:00 am † Giovanni & Onelia Raimondo (by family)

† Gicante & Grossi families (by family)

31 A DOMENICA DEL TEMPO ORDINARIO (A)

5 Novembre 2023

La fede non si basa sugli uomini ma sulla parola di Dio, dice Paolo che resta il modello perfetto dell'apostolo, dei predicatori del vangelo, del discepolo che consacra la propria vita al servizio di tutti.

What does Jesus mean, when he says to us: "Call no one on earth your father; you have but one Father in heaven"?

First of all, Jesus is not banning the use of the term, "Father." In fact, he expects us to respect our physical fathers and to call them "father." He also tells us to respect our spiritual ancestors calling many of them, "Father." Abraham is often referred to as Father Abraham. St. Paul will often remind people that he is their spiritual father.

To find out what the passage, "call no one my father," means, we need to look at it in its context in scripture. In *Matthew 23*, Jesus is focusing on the Pharisees. They exalt themselves, looking for new ways to demand that people respect them. They were putting on a show of holiness so that others could see what wonderful people they were. Jesus' point was that the Pharisees were making religion about themselves, not about God.



The basic message of today's gospel is that everything we do must be about Jesus Christ, never about ourselves. We have to understand that we are His servants. Our priests must manifest God's fatherhood, not their own fatherhood. Our teachers are part of the teaching ministry of Christ, and are teaching for his glory, not teaching for their own glory. In all things, God must be exalted. If that means at times stepping back while another continues the Work of God more effectively than we can, so be it. It is better to humble ourselves and be exalted by God than to exalt ourselves and be humbled by God. That is the conclusion of today's Gospel.

Too many people use the Church to trumpet their own self worth. That is not why we go to church. That is not why we are Roman Catholics. We go to church because we need God. We are Catholic because Catholicism is the authentic way of finding God. We know what we are like without Him. But we also know the wonders that He works through us.

Fr. Janusz Roginski, S.A.C.

SANCTUARY LAMP: This week's Sanctuary Lamp is donated in memory of *Allegro Carbone*. The Sanctuary lamp is lit to remind us of Christ's presence in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar.

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for the Month of November:

We pray for the Holy Father; as he fulfills his mission, may he continue to accompany the flock entrusted to him, with the help of the Holy Spirit. (Apostleship of Prayer)

CERTIFICATI SPECIALI ANNIVERSARIO:

Il Vescovo Bergie invierà un certificato di congratulazioni alle coppie sposate che hanno celebrato o celebreranno un 25°, 40°, 50° o 60° anniversario nell'anno 2023. Per ricevere un certificato, si prega di compilare un modulo di registrazione disponibile presso l'ufficio parrocchiale entro il 10 novembre 2023.

Announcement: Bishop Bergie will send a congratulatory certificate to married couples who have celebrated or will celebrate a 25th, 40th, 50th or 60th anniversary in the year 2023. To receive a certificate, please complete a registration form available at the parish office by November 10th, 2023.

Annual Deo Gratias Collection:

The Diocese of St. Catharines is blessed to have 18 retired priests who dedicated, in some cases, almost 65 years of their lives to caring for and ministering to others. Even in retirement, many continue to give of themselves in countless ways of service for which we are most grateful. At age 75, priests in the Diocese of St. Catharines begin receiving a monthly benefit and health insurance coverage from the Clergy Aid Society. Next weekend, November 11 & 12, our parish will take up the annual *Deo Gratias* to show our appreciation for those priests who have cared for us and ministered to us throughout the years. Please prayerfully reflect on how you can best contribute to the *Deo Gratias* collection this year. You may return your special *Deo Gratias* envelope at Mass next weekend or the next. Thank you in advance for your prayerful generosity.

Diocesan Anniversary: The 65th Diocesan Anniversary Mass will be held on **Friday, November 24, 2023, 11:00am** at the Cathedral of St. Catherine of Alexandria (3 Lyman Street, St. Catharines, Ontario). Parishioners from across the diocese are welcome to attend.

PARISHIONERS ARE INVITED to pray for our Candidates preparing for the Sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation. Each week you, or your family, are encouraged to choose a candidate or candidates, from one of the Photo Albums located below our statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary. By praying for that candidate you can make a difference in their lives and accompany them on their faith journey.

REMEMBRANCE DAY ~ November 11

Canadians pause today in silence to remember those who died in war and to pray for the victims of aggression and inhumanity throughout the world. This is a day to pray for peace, to consider what we are doing as individuals, as a community and as a nation to bring God's peace into the world. This is a day when a believing community should rededicate itself by prayer and action to the ideals Jesus gives us in the Beatitudes.

CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES: There will be a Learning and Prayer session for Confirmation Candidates on Tuesday, November 7th at 7:00pm in our Parish Hall.

FIRST COMMUNION LEARNING & PRAYER SESSION: There will be a First Communion Learning & Prayer session for candidates and their parents on Wednesday, November 15 at 6:30 pm in the Parish Hall.

Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Catholic Women's League
Pasta Night at Club Belvedere
Saturday, November 18th 2023



Menu
Bread and Butter, Salad, Pasta and Meatballs,
Dessert, Coffee and Tea
Live Music! Cash Bar \$
Doors Open: **6:00p.m.**
Dinner at: **6:30p.m.**

Tickets: \$25.00 per person
To Order Tickets: Kim Kuchar (905)-732-6601 Or
cwlholyrosary@outlook.com

Thank you!

Thank you to all those who made our Annual CWL Bazaar and Penny Sale last Sunday such a wonderful event. It was so nice to see such a great turnout from both new and long-time parishioners and the Thorold Community. Thank you to the members of the Catholic Women's League, their friends and our helpers for their tireless dedication to this event. It was enjoyed by all!

Special thanks to our Hall Director Don Lizzotti for all his time and support.

Finally, we would like to thank our good pastor Father Janusz for his constant encouragement and for blessing our Parish Community and our Bazaar!

<u>Weekly Offering</u>	<u>CAD</u>	<u>USD</u>
<u>October 29th, 2023</u>		
<u>In Church offertory:</u>	\$ 2,406.35	\$ -
<u>Online Offertory:</u>	1,015.00	-
<u>Church Maintenance:</u>	192.00	-
<u>Basement Renovation:</u>	-	-
<u>World Mission Canada</u>	<u>450.00</u>	-
<u>Total</u>	<u>\$4,063.35</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

*Thank you for supporting the parish with your prayers and your financial support.
May God bless you!*

