MASSES OF THE WEEK

† This symbol signifies repose of the soul.

Sunday, November 8
Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 a.m.
For the parishioners of St. Theresa Parish
10:30 a.m.
For the intentions of the Handmaids of the Lord
†Rev. Fr. Joseph Vayalil

Tuesday, November 10
Saint Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church
9:00 a.m.
†Eric Burdet & his ancestors, by Jeannette of Nazareth

Wednesday, November 11
Saint Martin of Tours, Bishop
9:00 a.m.
†*For the souls in purgatory*

Thursday, November 12
Saint Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr
9:00 a.m.
†Brian McIver, by Sheila McGlynn

Friday, November 13
Weekday
9:00 a.m.
NO MASS

Saturday, November 14
Weekday
4:30 p.m.
For the protection of Canada & for the well-being of all its citizens, by a parishioner
†Wayne Quan, by Martha Quan
†The deceased family & ancestors of Jeannette of Nazareth

Sunday, November 15
Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 a.m.
For the parishioners of St. Theresa Parish
10:30 a.m.
For the intentions of the Handmaids of the Lord
†Gerri Lynch on the fourth anniversary of her death, by Kathleen Lynch
†Steve Sebastyan, by Serafina Sebastyan

PLEASE NOTE:
Tues.–Fri. 9am Masses – only 1 intention per Mass (ideally)
Sat. Vigil & Sun. 10:30am Masses – up to 3 intentions

Please remember these sick people in your prayers:

Michelle Boyer, Nickie Shaw, Marie-Andrée Boyer, Zygmunt Wysocki, Debby MacAdam, Michael Budge, Robby Felteau, Elaine Taylor, Wanda Staples, Marilyn Donoghue, Aline Lafleur Raymond, Paul O' Leary, Michaela Fong, Deacon Will Read, Judette & Marie, Cecilia, Lily Harmon, Stephanie Pinhey

(To add, re-add, or remove any names, please contact the office)

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION

For the proper use of wealth ~
Let us pray for the proper use of wealth, that not succumbing to the temptation of selfishness, it may always be put at the service of the common good and solidarity of those who have less.

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Year A)

First Reading: Wisdom 6.12-16
Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 4.13-18
Gospel: Matthew 25.1-13

Lectors & Commentators

Saturday, November 14
4:30 p.m. Daniel Boyer

Sunday, November 15
9:00 a.m. Denise Corbett
10:30 a.m. Matteo Grutman

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday, November 14
4:30 p.m. Marie Comisso

Sunday, November 15
9:00 a.m. Darrell Herauf
10:30 a.m. Miguel Planas

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

Next **Saturday, November 14 (9:30am–2pm)** is the parish Christmas bazaar! Please join us in the hall, where crafts, jewelry, books, crystal, china, toys, furniture & more will be for sale. Come for Christmas shopping and support the parish in the process!

MASS CANCELLATION

Please note that the 9am Mass will <u>not</u> be held on Friday, November 13th. Thank you for your understanding.

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

St. Theresa's Book of Remembrance will be at the rear of the church for the month of November. Please write your prayers and thoughts for your deceased family members and friends. Prayers will be offered for all.

RED WEDNESDAY

On Wednesday, November 18, we will observe Red Wednesday at the 9 am Mass. Promoted by Aid to the Church in Need (ACN), a Catholic charity, Red Wednesday is a day to raise awareness about global Christian persecution and pray for our persecuted brothers and sisters in Christ. An estimated 75% of religiously motivated violence is perpetrated against Christians. Please pray with us on Red Wednesday for it to end.

DEVELOPMENT & PEACE (D&P)

D&P offers you a simple, effective way to support its mission throughout the year. As a *Share Year-Round* monthly donor, you support the pursuit of social justice and human dignity throughout the year and forge bonds of solidarity across borders. What's more, you automatically become a member of our movement, joining a community of over 13,000 committed people who share your values. For more information, visit: devp.org/shareyearround

QUO VADIS? PRIESTHOOD DISCERNMENT NIGHTS

Is the Lord calling you to be a priest? Join other men discerning the priesthood for monthly formation, fellowship, and Adoration. Held at Café des Tours (basement of Notre Dame Cathedral). For more info., contact Fr. Connor: vocations@ottawacornwall.ca.

CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING

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"Miss no single opportunity of making some small sacrifice, here by a smiling look, there by a kindly word; always doing the smallest right and doing it all for love."

– St. Theresa of the Child Jesus

SAINT OF THE DAY:
St. Margaret Mary Alacoque

Margaret Mary Alacoque was chosen by Christ to arouse the Church to a realization of the love of God symbolized by the heart of Jesus. Her early years were marked by sickness and a painful home situation. After considering marriage for some time, she entered the Order of the Visitation nuns at the age of 24.

A Visitation nun was "not to be extraordinary except by being ordinary," but the young nun was not to enjoy this anonymity. A fellow novice termed Margaret Mary humble, simple, and frank, but above all, kind and patient under sharp criticism and correction. She could not meditate in the formal way expected, though she tried her best to give up her "prayer of simplicity." Slow, quiet, and clumsy, she helped an infirmarian who was a bundle of energy.

On December 21, 1674, three years a nun, Margaret Mary Alacoque received the first of her revelations. She felt "invested" with the presence of God, though always afraid of deceiving herself in such matters. The request of Christ was that his love for humankind be made evident through her.

During the next 13 months, Christ appeared to her at intervals. His human heart was to be the symbol of his divine-human love. By her own love Margaret Mary was to make up for the coldness and ingratitude of the world—by frequent and loving Holy Communion, especially on the first Friday of each month, and by an hour's vigil of prayer every Thursday night in memory of his agony and isolation in Gethsemane. He also asked that a feast of reparation be instituted.

Like all saints, Margaret Mary had to pay for her gift of holiness. Some of her own sisters were hostile. Theologians who were called in declared her visions delusions and suggested that she eat more heartily. Later, parents of children she taught called her an impostor, an unorthodox innovator. A new confessor, the Jesuit Claude de la Colombière, recognized her genuineness and supported her. Against her great resistance, Christ called her to be a sacrificial victim for the shortcomings of her own sisters, and to make this known.

After serving as novice mistress and assistant superior, Margaret Mary died at the age of 43, while being anointed. She said: "I need nothing but God, and to lose myself in the heart of Jesus."

Reflection

Our scientific-materialistic age cannot "prove" private revelations. Theologians, if pressed, admit that we do not *have* to believe in them. But it is impossible to deny the message Margaret Mary heralded: that God loves us with a passionate love. Her insistence on reparation and prayer, and the reminder of final judgment should be sufficient to ward off superstition and superficiality in devotion to the Sacred Heart while preserving its deep Christian meaning.

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