# November 1, 2026 A.D.
# All Saints Day - Year A

## Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

***Lord may the request of our people rise before you like a fragrant offering***

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| **Tues** | **Nov 3** | ******NO MASS TODAY****** | |
| **Wed** | **Nov 4** | ******NO MASS TODAY****** | |
| **Thurs** | **Nov 5** | ******NO MASS TODAY****** | |
| **Fri** | **Nov 6** | ******NO MASS TODAY****** | |
| **Sat** | **Nov 7** | ***The 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time*** | |
| | | **5:00 pm** +For the living and deceased members of St. Patrick's | |
| **Sun** | **Nov 8** | **9:00 am** +Edd Typer | by Julie Typer |
| | | **11:00 am** +Rick Huneault | by the Huneault family |

### CALLED TO BE SAINTS
### LIVING THE BEATITUDES

Holiness is not something reserved for a select few, it is the calling of every Christian. In Revelation, we are given a beautiful vision of "a great multitude" from every nation standing before God. They have come through trials and suffering and now rejoice in God's presence. This is the hope that awaits us: to see God face to face and share in His eternal life.




St. John reminds us of the extraordinary dignity we already have: "See what love the Father has bestowed on us, that we may be called children of God." We are not simply waiting to become God's children - we are His children now. Yet John also reminds us that we are still being transformed: "What we shall be has not yet been revealed." Holiness is a journey.

Jesus gives us the path in the Beatitudes. He tells us that the blessed are the poor in spirit, the merciful, the peacemakers, those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, and those who remain faithful even when life is difficult. These are not merely comforting words; they are a way of life.

In today's world, the Beatitudes can be challenging. We live in a culture that often values success, wealth, power, recognition, and being right. Jesus instead calls us to humility, mercy, compassion, forgiveness, and peace. "Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy." Our holiness is revealed not only in how we pray, but in how we treat the person who annoys us, the neighbour who needs help, the person who has hurt us, and the stranger who feels forgotten.

We do not have to perform extraordinary deeds to become holy. We can begin with the ordinary moments of each day - choosing patience instead of anger, forgiveness instead of resentment, kindness instead of judgment, and peace instead of division. As St. Paul reminds us, "Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good." (Romans 12:21)

The saints show us that holiness is possible in every generation and in every circumstance. They were ordinary people who allowed God to work through their ordinary lives. We are called to do the same.

The invitation today is simple: live as a beloved child of God, follow the way of Jesus, and let His love transform the way we live. When we choose the Beatitudes, we become a witness to Christ in a world that desperately needs mercy, hope, compassion, and peace.

***Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.***
**(Matthew 5:8)**

### PARISH FINANCIAL SUPPORT

If you are still unable to attend Mass for health reason, and would like to assist us financially:

**Please use our donation e-transfer email:**

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### COATS FOR KIDS

During the month of November, the Knights of Columbus is once again collecting new and gently used winter coats, mittens, socks and boots for needy children and adolescents in our community. If you wish to donate, please place your item(s) in the box at the back of the church during the month of November. Financial donations are also welcome, payable to the Knights of Columbus. For more info or money donations please contact: Tim Grawey 905-834-6791
or Tom Lannan 905 835-1841.
Thank you for your generosity!

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### ANNUAL DEO GRATIAS COLLECTION

The Diocese of St. Catharines is blessed to have retired priests who dedicated, in some cases, almost 60 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 8 & 9, 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

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**OFFICE IS CLOSED**
**OCT 26 - NOV 10**
**REOPENS – NOV 11**

**NO WEEKDAY MASSES**
**NOV 3 – NOV 6**

### THE IMPORTANCE OF PRAYING FOR OUR DECEASED LOVED ONES



As Catholics, we believe that our love for our deceased loved ones does not end with death. We entrust them to God's infinite mercy, trusting in His promise of eternal life.

The Catholic Church teaches that we can pray for the souls of the faithful departed, particularly those undergoing purification in purgatory, as they prepare to enter the joy of heaven. Our prayers, along with the offering of the Mass, are ways we can assist them on their journey toward eternal life. This belief reminds us that we remain united in Christ through the Communion of Saints - the spiritual bond we share with the faithful on earth, the souls being purified, and the saints in heaven.

Through our prayers, we express our faith in God's mercy, our hope in eternal life, and our continuing love for those we miss.

**Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,**
**and let perpetual light shine upon them.**
**May the souls of the faithful departed,**
**through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen**

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### A PRAYER TO LIVE AS GOD'S BELOVED CHILDREN

Heavenly Father,
Thank You for calling us Your beloved children
and inviting us to become holy.
Help us to live the Beatitudes each day
with humble hearts, mercy toward others,
a hunger for what is right,
and a desire to bring peace into our world.

When we face difficulties,
give us courage to remain faithful.
When we are tempted to judge, teach us compassion.
When we are hurt, help us forgive.

May our lives reflect the love of Christ so that,
through our words and actions,
others may see Your goodness.

Lord Jesus, make our hearts more like Yours
and lead us one day into
the joy of Your eternal Kingdom. Amen.



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Most Reverend Gerard P Bergie, D.D.

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Father Wieslaw Woloszyn

Sunday Masses
Saturday 5:00 pm
Sunday 9:00 and 11:00 am
Children's Liturgy: September - June

Weekday Masses
Tuesday 6:00 pm
Wednesday through Friday 8:30 am
Rosary/Adoration before Weekday Masses

Confessions
Sat 4 - 4:45 pm or before weekday Masses

Baptism
Sunday 12:00 pm by appointment

Marriage
Arrangements should be made at least 6 months in advance.
Marriage preparation course required

Sacrament of the Sick
Communion for the Sick and Shut-ins
Please call the office.

Secretary
Sandy Johnson
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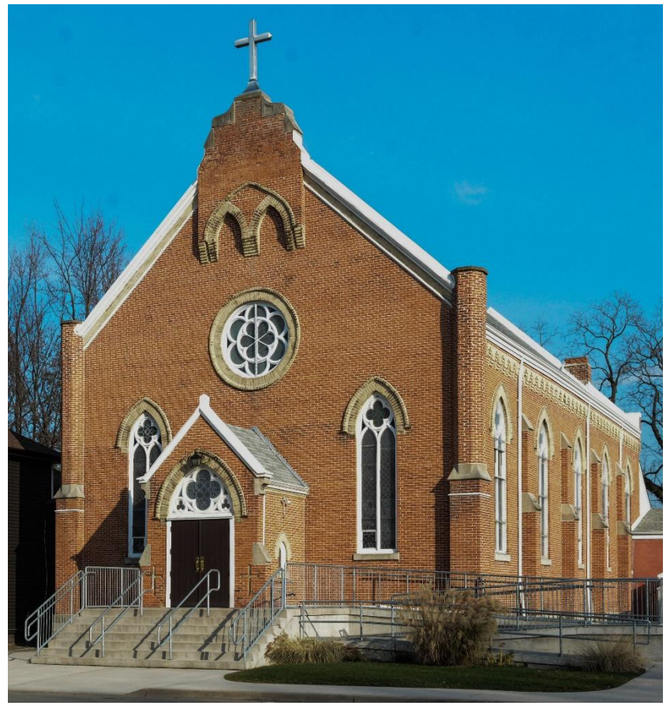
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**Min. Schedule – Nov 7/8**

**Hospitality:**
5:00 pm – Tom Lannan
9:00 am – Sandy MacIntyre
11:00 am – Teresa Ricci

**Communion:**
5:00 pm – Needed
9:00 am – Cathy Stoop-Sneek
11:00 am – Needed

**All Saints Day - Year A**

**Blessed!**

**Lectors:**
5:00 pm – Fran Semley
9:00 am – Cathy Stoop-Sneek
11:00 am – Karen Schroeder

**Video:**
5:00 pm – Albert DeLaat
9:00 am – Dan Tonello
11:00 am – Dave Bilodeau

**Organist:** All Masses - Dino Sicoli