

NOVEMBER 18, 2023 – NOVEMBER 26, 2023

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday: Nov. 18, 2023 Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31;
1 Thessalonians 5:1-6; Matthew 25:14-30
4:00 pm St. Mary: † Andrew Royer, † Hilda Messier and
† Arline Belisle

Sunday: Nov. 19, 2023 Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31;
1 Thessalonians 5:1-6; Matthew 25:14-30
8:30 am St. Edward: † Jeannine Gratton, † Donald Fontaine
and † Helene Gaudreau
9:30 am St. Mary: Living & † Deceased Members of the D of I
10:30 am St. James: † Marcel Major, A Soul in Need and
† Rupert "Jack" Weston
11:00 am St. Mary: † Leonard Lizotte and † Anna Sanville
11:30 am St. Edward: CFF Students, Families, Catechists &
Volunteers

Monday: Nov. 20, 2023 1 Maccabees 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63;
Luke 18:35-43
9:00 am St. Mary: † Arthur, Sr. & † Mary Leontine Belisle
4:00 pm St. Mary: NO MASS
5:30 pm St. Edward: NO MASS

Tuesday: Nov. 21, 2023 2 Maccabees 6:18-31; Luke 18:1-10
Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

9:00 am St. Mary: † Harold Kelley & † Gaston Lefebvre
4:00 pm St. Mary: NO MASS

Wednesday: Nov. 22, 2023 2 Maccabees 7:1, 20-31; Luke 19:11-28
Saint Cecilia: Virgin & Martyr

9:00 am St. Mary: † Wilfred & † Yvette Leblanc
4:00 pm St. Mary: NO MASS

Thursday: Nov. 23, 2023 Sirach 50:22-24; 1 Corinthians 1:3-9;
Luke 17:11-19

Saint Clement I: Pope / Saint Columban: Abbot

9:00 am St. Mary: † Donna Piette and In Thanksgiving for our
many Blessings
2:00 pm Northern State Correctional Facility: NO Mass
4:00 pm St. Mary: NO MASS

Friday: Nov. 24, 2023 1 Maccabees 4:36-37, 52-59; Luke 19: 45-48
Saint Andrew Dung-Lac: Priest & Companions: Martyrs

9:00 am St. Mary: Intentions of Deacon Ward & Kathy Nolan
on their 50th Wedding Anniversary
11:00 am St. James: NO MASS
4:00 pm St. Mary: NO MASS
5:30 pm St. Edward: NO MASS

Saturday: Nov. 25, 2023 1 Maccabees 6:1-13; Luke 20:27-40
Saint Catherine of Alexandria: Virgin & Martyr

9:00 am St. Mary: † Jeannine Sicotte and † Barbara Bartley
11:00 am St. Edward: Kevin & Dawn Perry Renewal of Wedding
Vows

OUR LORD, JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

Saturday: Nov. 25, 2023 Ezekiel: 34:11-12, 15-17;
1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28; Matthew 25:31-46
4:00 pm St. Mary: † Real Comtois

Sunday: Nov. 26, 2023 Ezekiel: 34:11-12, 15-17;
1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28; Matthew 25:31-46
8:30 am St. Edward: † Bernadette Nadeau, † Patricia Sue Place,
† William P. Gueth and † Raymond Fortin
9:30 am St. Mary: † Alice Rondeau
10:30 am St. James: † Herbert (Jim) Caouette and † Luwina Allard
11:00 am St. Mary: Intentions of the Vocationist Fathers

Saturday: November 18, 2023

3:00 pm St. Mary: Confession w/Fr. Tom &
Fr. Rijo
5:00 pm St. James: Harvest Dinner

Sunday: November 19, 2023

9:30 am – 12 Noon St. Edward's Parish Hall:
Catholic Faith Formation for St. Mary's/
St. Edward's students w/Holy Mass at
11:30 am

Monday: November 20, 2023

10:00 am St. Edward: NO Exposition of the
Blessed Sacrament or Adoration

Tuesday: November 21, 2023

3:00 pm – 4:15 pm St. James: Catholic Faith
Formation for St. James students

Wednesday: November 22, 2023

9:30 am St. Mary: NO Exposition of the Blessed
Sacrament or Adoration
6:00 pm St. Mary: NO Bible Class

Thursday: November 23, 2023

Happy Thanksgiving!

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

9:30 am NCH: NO Hospital Visits
2:00 pm NSCF: NO Prison Ministry

Friday: November 24, 2023

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

2:00 pm St. Mary: NO VAUS Prayer Group
6:00 pm St. Edward: NO Bible Class

Saturday: November 25, 2023

3:00 pm St. Mary: Confession w/Fr. Tom &
Fr. Jim

Sunday: November 26, 2023

11:00 am St. Mary: OCIA (Order of Christian
Initiation of Adults) Rite II during 11:00 am
Holy Mass
7:00 pm on Zoom: Parish Holy Rosary

FR. RIJO AND FR. JIM WILL BE AWAY
DURING THANKSGIVING WEEK. THE
REGULAR SCHEDULE FOR HOLY
MASSES WILL RETURN NEXT WEEK.
THANK YOU FOR UNDERSTANDING.



2023 Prayer List



*"Since you were faithful in small matters,
come, share in your master's joy."*

Tracy Ashman	Rose Lebeau
Arthur Aulis	Robbie Lynn Leblanc
Joanne Aulis	Ben Leblond
Chris & Betty Barrett	Leo Leduc
Jeanne Beaudry	Midge Lessard
Betty Blair	Roger Lessard
Ronda Blanchard	Alicia Letourneau
Raymond Bowen, Sr.	Andre & Dolores Letourneau
Max Buck	Bianca MacKay
Cindy Chaffee	Ezra Mann
Sara Chaput	Ruth Marsh
Kevin Charboneau	Phyllis Mayo
Jean Christenberry	Bill McCormack
Ann Collins	Paul McCoy
Adele Comeau	Bill McDonnell
Claire Comeau	Paul Meunier
Steve Comeau	Baby Julia Messier
Jacques Couture	Phil & Purie Mesina
Bernard Crowson	Fr. Curtis Miller
Peter Curtice	Rita Moulton
Emily Daddona	Helen & Tom Mullin
Gisele Damon	Joshua Noble
Mark Daignault	John Olson
Tony & Margo Daniels	Lorraine Orsini
Marcel Deslandes	Shirley Osborne
Jean Diette	Andrea Peden
Katre Dirth	Michael Pinard
David Drown	Joe Punk
Pierre Dupuis	Rita Raboin
Brandy Edwards	Andy Ricard
Rhonda Fletcher	Claire Risicato
Yvon Fortin	Roger Roberge, Jr.
Cindy Fournier	Timothy Roberge
Macie Fournier	Fr. Shawn Roberson
Shirley Fournier	Denis Robillard
Helen Gagnon	Ellis Royea
Anita Gervais	Gerry Royer
Nunzia Phil Give	Pamela Ruigh
Nancy Goad	Cecilia St. George
Lynn Green	Denise Sanville
Shirley Hand	Nicholas Scarpelli
Paul Hazelton	Scott / Sean
Beverly Hebert	Tara Selby
Kathy Howes	David Shmidt
Deborah Hrdlicka	Brenda Stuart
Danielle Huntington	Kathleen Sweeney
James Kavenaugh	Jeannine Taylor
Kristi / John	Joe Tepe Family
Lorraine Jensen	Tiffany Tidrow
Helene LaBelle	Michael Trudo
Rita LaBelle	Wayne Valley
Don Labitzke	Clarence Vandeymark
Anne Lalime	Lucille Wing
Skip Lambert	Yvonne Wood
Elaine Langevin	Wendy Wooden
Elizabeth Langevin	Dino Young
Mary Lou Lantagne	

In this week's readings, Jesus tells His disciples a parable about "talents". God gives us all talents, but it is not just skills that He is referring to. We must look at talents as representing value and responsibility given to us by God.

In Matthew's Gospel today, we hear the story of a master who entrusts his possessions to three of his servants. One servant is given five talents, trades with them and earns another five. The second servant is given two talents which he also trades with and earns two more. Finally, the third servant is given one talent which he buries because he is afraid of losing it. Because he gains no increase, he earns his master's wrath.

We need to look at this parable with two perspectives on life and possessions. Are we the "owners" or "stewards" of the talents God has given us? If we are the owners, we believe that our time, bodies, and gifts are SOLELY OURS. We have all the control over them. When we do not use the talents because we are fearful or selfish, we become like the servant who buried his talent. As an owner, this can lead to ingratitude or resentment when things do not go as expected or planned.

If we are a "steward", we realize that our talents have been entrusted to us, perhaps by a higher power - God. When we are a steward, we know that everything that is given to us is not really ours. *We own nothing!* We are just the caretaker of these talents or gifts. When we use our abilities for God, we will experience joy. Our responsibility is to take care of what God has given us and use our talents for the glory of God! We are to watch over our talents and remember that "the Joy of the Lord is my Strength!" (Nehemiah 8:10). We must be thankful for what we have been given and mindful that all our talents can be only temporary. When we use our talents in alignment with God's purpose, we can then experience joy and receive further blessings.

Are you using your talents for God's Kingdom? What are you doing with the gifts He has given you? Try to fill your life doing corporal works of mercy. For example, feed the hungry by fixing an extra meal for an elderly neighbor or inviting them to dinner. Or give a drink to the thirsty by looking for ways to save water or donating to clean water projects. You can shelter the homeless by donating to or assisting those organizations that build shelters for the homeless. Visit the sick by checking on your elderly neighbors, visiting residents in a nursing home, or even by giving blood. Have you considered visiting prisoners by volunteering to assist in the prison ministry? Help bury the dead by sending a card to a parishioner who has lost a loved one or by visiting a cemetery and praying for those buried there. Give alms to the poor: instead of buying a latte, give that money to the poor or find a charity that is meaningful to you and volunteer your time.

Be a faithful servant and share in your Master's joy!

Prayer for the Sick

Heavenly Father, we place our sick under Your loving care and humbly ask that You bring healing to Your servants and restore them to health.