

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

November 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023

The First Reading praises wisdom. We see this wisdom exemplified in the five wise bridesmaids in the Gospel parable. Whereas St. Paul expects the second coming of Christ to happen soon, St. Matthew has accepted that parousia may be delayed. The point of the parable is this: since the disciples do not know the day nor the hour of the Lord's coming, they (us!) must be prepared so that when He comes, they (we) can enter His kingdom. To be prepared means to be a doer rather than a mere hearer of the word.

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday, November 12 <sup>th</sup> <i>32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in OT</i>	9 am 11 am	<i>Missa Pro Populo</i> <i>Missa Pro Populo (Linwood)</i>	
Monday, November 13 <sup>th</sup> <i>Ordinary Time</i>	-	-	-
Tuesday, November 14 <sup>th</sup> <i>Ordinary Time</i>	10:30 am	+ <i>Dolly Bugera</i>	By John & Mary Ottman
Wednesday, November 15 <sup>th</sup> <i>St. Albert the Great</i>	12 pm 4 pm	+ <i>John &amp; Rita Black</i> + <i>Teresa Hilker (Linwood)</i>	By John & Christine Dixon By The Sherrer family
Thursday, November 16 <sup>th</sup> <i>St. Margaret of Scotland</i>	8 am	<i>Intentions of Fr. Irenaeus</i> <i>Koziak SAC</i>	By Bob & Linda Myers
Friday, November 17 <sup>th</sup> <i>St. Elizabeth of Hungary</i>	8 am	+ <i>Arthur J. Dietrich</i>	By the Dietrich family
Saturday, November 18 <sup>th</sup> <i>Dedication of the Basilicas</i>	5 pm	+ <i>Beatrice Vollmer</i> + <i>Leonard Wagner</i>	By the Family By Tom Miller
Sunday, November 19 <sup>th</sup> <i>33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in OT</i>	9 am 11 am	<i>Missa Pro Populo</i> <i>Missa Pro Populo (Linwood)</i>	-

**History of the Catholic Church (#10)** – A resolution of the issue could not be postponed indefinitely, and so a council was held at Jerusalem, probably in the year 49. It was undoubtedly a long and stormy session. At the close Peter argued in favor of freedom for the Gentiles, appealing to experience, which showed that the uncircumcised Gentiles also possessed the Spirit. Peter concluded: “We believe that we are saved in the same way as they are: through the grace of the Lord Jesus.” It was James, however, who summed up the debate and pronounced the verdict: circumcision would not be required of the Gentiles. But to soothe the sensibilities of the traditionalists and preserve the unity of the table fellowship, a compromise was arranged. All would be obliged to follow certain Jewish laws: abstinence was required from any food offered in sacrifice to idols, illicit sexual intercourse was forbidden, and certain Jewish dietary regulations were imposed – specifically those that forbade the taking of meat with blood still in it (blood was regarded as the seat of life and hence belonging to the Lord). The meat of strangled animals – that is, animals not killed according to Jewish ritual – was also forbidden.

**FEAST OF ST. CLEMENT** – Mark your calendars! Our parish is celebrating its 165<sup>th</sup> birthday on November 23<sup>rd</sup>. Please join us for Mass at 6pm, followed by a potluck in the parish hall. The basement doors will be open before Mass, and you are welcome to use the fridge or oven to keep your dishes at the correct temperature. Hope to see you there!

**2023-24 MISSALS** – The new missals are available to purchase for \$5.00. Please see Fr. Irenaeus after Mass or at the rectory.

**BOOK OF LIFE** – The Book of Life is on the side altar. Consider writing the names of your deceased loved ones. For the month of November, different Pallottine communities will be praying for the souls enrolled.

**XXXVIII WORLD YOUTH DAY 2023** – The Church celebrates World Youth Day on Feast of Christ the King each year. This year's theme is “Rejoicing in Hope” (Rom 12:12). In today's difficult times, the Church wishes to rekindle hope in the world. To do this, she relies especially on young people, who are the leading figures of history and “missionaries of joy”. In the Post-Synodal Apostolic Exhortation *Christus Vivit*, Pope Francis wrote that Christ is “our hope and in a wonderful way he brings youth to our world”. Pope Francis invites young people to deepen their understanding of Christian hope and to witness joyfully that Christ is alive. Let us celebrate the hope the young people bring to our communities!

**YOUNG ADULTS NIGHT** – Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> in Durham. Fr. Mark Morley invites all young adults (ages 20s and early 30s) of our diocese to attend a night of Adoration, Fellowship and Praise Music. Arrival and Holy Hour (7:00pm-8:00pm), Social with Food (8:00pm-8:30pm), Praise Night and Vocation Testimony (8:30pm-9:30pm), and Compline (9:30pm) on Saturday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> at St. Peter and the Missions Church (850 Garafraxa Street North, Durham, Ontario). Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton. For more information, please contact: [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com)

**ADVENT PRAYER NIGHT FOR YOUTH MINISTERS AND VOLUNTEERS** – All adults who minister to young people in the Diocese of Hamilton are invited to an evening of prayer and fellowship. Join us on Wednesday, December 13<sup>th</sup> at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish in Freulton for our Advent gathering. For more information and registration, email [youthministry@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:youthministry@hamiltondiocese.com).

**DIOCESE OF HAMILTON PRAYER CALENDAR** – Please remember the following in your prayers: Rev. Nishil Varghese, C.M.I., Permanent Deacon Candidates, Deceased members of our parish community, Very Rev. Cornelius O'Mahoney, & Rev. Michael Isabelle.

**VOCATION SEEDS** – "Keep awake, therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour." Listen with your heart as well as with your ears for then you may accept the call to serve in the priesthood, diaconate, religious or consecrated life. If God is calling you, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988.

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**LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION** – St. Clements: Operating \$2,517.00. Thank you for your generosity!

