

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

October 29th, 2023

By rabbinical count, the Law (the first five Books of the Old Testament) consisted of some 613 commandments. The question as to which commandment was the greatest was one frequently discussed among the rabbis. Jesus was asked to name one, but responded by naming two. That is because, for Him, the second followed directly and necessarily from the first. Love of neighbour arises out of love of God. Both commandments are found in the Old Testament. What is new is not the fact that Jesus brought these two commandments together, but that He made them of equal importance.

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday, October 29 th <i>30th Sunday in OT</i>	9 am 11 am	<i>Missa Pro Populo</i> <i>Missa Pro Populo (Linwood)</i>	
Monday, October 30 th <i>Ordinary Time</i>	-	-	-
Tuesday, October 31 st <i>Ordinary Time</i>	10:30 am	+ <i>Norman Kaye</i>	By John & Christine Dixon
Wednesday, November 1 st <i>All Saints</i>	12 pm 4 pm	+ <i>Monica Haffner</i> + <i>Teresa Hilker (Linwood)</i>	By Christian Mothers By Irene Runstedler & family
Thursday, November 2 nd <i>All Soul's Day</i>	8 am 7 pm	+ <i>Pallottine Priests, Brothers, Sisters</i> + <i>Atticus Makuch</i>	By Fr. Irenaeus H. Koziak SAC By Steve & Jen
Friday, November 3 rd <i>St. Martin de Pores</i>	6 pm 7 pm	<i>Adoration & Confessions</i> + <i>Dolores Bugera</i>	By Dolores Straus
Saturday, November 4 th <i>St. Charles Borromeo</i>	5 pm	+ <i>Frances Kraemer</i> + <i>Francis Hehn</i>	By Mike & Marie By Michael & Bertha Hehn
Sunday, November 5 th <i>31st Sunday in OT</i>	9 am 11 am	<i>Missa Pro Populo</i> <i>Missa Pro Populo (Linwood)</i>	-

History of the Catholic Church (#8) – For Paul, the very essence of the Gospel was at stake in the controversy over circumcision; to require Gentiles to practice the Jewish Law would be synonymous to saying that faith in the Risen Lord was not enough for salvation, that observance of the Law was also necessary. Paul's understanding of the Gospel as a liberation from the Law was not some academic theory he had worked out in a study; it was at the very heart of the conversion experience that had changed him from a dedicated devotee of the Law to an ardent disciple of Jesus. As a zealous rabbi, student of the great Gamaliel at Jerusalem and subsequently a figure of importance in the synagogues there, Paul could say: "I stood out among other Jews of my generation for the traditions of my ancestors." He had even become a chief persecutor of the disciples and was present at the stoning of Stephen (probably the first Christian martyr). But then spiritual lighting struck!

DIOCESE OF HAMILTON PRAYER CALENDAR – Please remember the following in your prayers: Rev. Vinko Nenadic, Catholic Teachers, Rev. Louis DeVaugelas, L.C., & Rev. Jerek Scherber, L.C.

FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTION – This Friday marks the second First Friday of our devotion. Adoration and Confession begins at 6pm, followed by Mass at 7pm. We gratefully welcome our neighbour from St. Agatha, Fr. Mariusz, who will assist with confessions.

ST. AGNES EDUCATION CAFÉ – The experience of suffering may have us wrestling with common questions: Why would God allow suffering? Does He hear my plea for help? Once again, these "storms" in life invite us into that place of "trust" where sometimes God allows a suffering to bring about a good that we cannot see. Attend the next St. Agnes Education Cafe event: "The Struggle to Find Meaning in Suffering" with guest speaker Fr. Chris Tracey, Chaplain of Hospitals, Prisons, & Palliative Centres in the Diocese of Hamilton. Sunday November 12th, 2:00pm at St. Agnes, Waterloo.

CONCERT BY HEART CRY ENSEMBLE – Heart Cry Ensemble is a local seventeen voice ensemble that seeks to preserve sacred choral music and encourage other believers. They will be sharing their program, "And Send Thee Help: Themes from Psalm 20", at St. Agatha Parish (1839 Notre Dame Drive, St. Agatha, ON) at 3 pm on November 5, 2023. Free Admission. Everyone welcome!

UW OPEN HOUSE - High School Students! Are you thinking of attending the University of Waterloo? On Saturday, November 25 from 10-5, attend the UWaterloo Open House and stop by the Conrad Grebel University College residence, right on the UWaterloo campus. Learn about the supportive residence environment that this small and vibrant faith-based community can provide for students studying in any faculty or program at UWaterloo. uwaterloo.ca/grebel/tour

MARRIAGE TIP OF THE MONTH – There are many strategies we use to support our partners when they are under stress, but researcher Sarah Walker of the University of Sydney and her team found that two seem to have the most impact. Receptive listening, allowing your spouse to share detail about the situation without having you providing judgment or advice, and telling your spouse how much they matter to you, called valuing, are the two that provide the most benefit to your partner. Try these proven techniques and you will find a receptive and happier husband/wife in your life!

PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH – October is the month we celebrate Thanksgiving, a time to reflect on all God has blessed us with in our world. The harvest is evident at this time of year, but remind your children of the intricate way God created the world so humans could live. Remind them that they are part of his creative plan and their gifts and talents are like food allowing the world to thrive. And remind them that God ensured they would have faith and family to support them throughout their lives. There is so much to be thankful for, and an attitude of gratitude can provide a positive impact on our emotional and mental health, so help your children give thanks for all they have been given!

VOCATION SEEDS – "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul and with all your mind." Live in that love in the priesthood, diaconate, religious or consecrated life. Contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988. Email: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com Website: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/>

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION – St. Clements: Operating \$2,305.00. Thank you for your generosity!



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - Are you a man 18 years of age or older who is a practicing Catholic and interested in helping those in need, serving our parish and growing in our faith? Then why not join our Knights of Columbus council. Become part of the largest Catholic fraternity in the world, supported by a true brotherhood built on shared values and a shared desire to be the man God has called us to be. Please email us at: gk8192@ontariokofc.ca and help put faith in action.