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#### **SUNDAY MASSES**

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 p.m. Sunday: 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

#### **WEEKDAY MASSES**

Tuesday 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 8:30 a.m.

#### RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 3:30 to 4:00 p.m. or by appointment.

#### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday: 11:00 a.m. - 12 noon

1:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

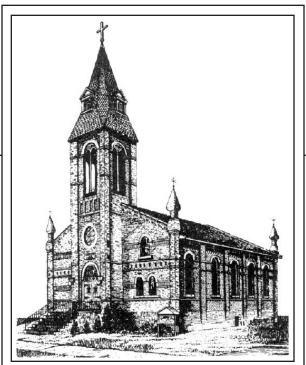
Tuesday to Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 12 noon

1:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

#### CATHOLIC SCHOOLS IN THE PARISH

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**BAPTISMS:** Please call the Parish Office.



## **Every Friday: HOLY HOUR**

7:30 a.m. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul President:

Michael Quinn Tel: 705-444-0999 https://ssvpcollingwood.ca

#### **HOLY COMMUNION FOR SICK, SHUT-INS:** Holy

Communion is brought regularly to sick and shut-ins. Please notify the rectory.

**MARRIAGES:** Couples planning to get married must contact a priest one year in advance for an appointment. They must also receive personal preparation for entering marriage. Please do not book the time and place of your reception before your appointment with the priest.

If either party has gone through any form of civil or religious marriage with another person, the priest is not permitted to set a date for the wedding until the Bishop's Office has been consulted.

**PARISH REGISTRATION:** All parishioners should be registered. Registration cards can be found in the Church foyer or at the parish office. Would you kindly notify the office when you are moving out of the parish.

**BULLETIN NOTICES** must be received at the parish office by Tuesday at noon. Announcements will appear for no more than two weeks, and should contain only pertinent information. Please be brief.

#### Catholic Women's League

President: Jean Stewart 705-445-2151

#### The Knights of Columbus 3rd Degree

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## ◆The Faithful Departed◆



In the liturgical calendar and life of the Church different months have specific focus and intention. May is the Month of Mary, June - the Sacred Heart of Jesus, October - the

month of the Rosary, December – Advent waiting, and November as the month when we remember the souls of the Faithful Departed. At the beginning of November we celebrate All Saints on November 1 followed by the celebration of All Souls on November  $2^{\rm nd}$  and on the  $11^{\rm th}$  of the  $11^{\rm th}$  month at the  $11^{\rm th}$  hour we remember our Canadian War Dead. All of those who are remembered on these special feasts throughout the month are deceased and live in this world no more, though they are revered and remembered by the Church and commended to life with God forever.

I think it is also important that we remember those who have died and have no one to remember them and no one to pray for them. Think of the countless millions the world over who have come and gone, some dying too early or the result of an accident, a disease or as a victim while others pass in their sleep or at a "ripe old age". Many die out of the great sin of human neglect, neglectful also of the great teaching of Jesus that we must love our neighbour as we would love ourselves. We remember also and must those souls of the millions upon millions of children in the womb who have been aborted and by the very nature of their deaths remain unknown, unloved and unremembered save as statistics of the nations of infanticide. (Perhaps no one wants to open up a debate on when life begins because if we ever came to the conclusion that life begins at conception what would we think of ourselves?)

I came across this anonymous writing that is obviously Catholic in nature which speaks of remembering through prayer the souls of the forgotten.

Sadness overcomes me when I see graves of men long dead, their loves and fears and even their faces forgotten by their children and grandchildren and even their great-children, by descendants who surely have themselves already passed over to that place from which none return.

But I'm not so much troubled that souls in weathered graves lie by men forgotten (God forgets no one). Rather, I fear that with none left to intercede for them, they must face the terrible day of Judgment alone. With trembling, I remember the cry of the sinner in the ancient Catholic hymn *Dies Irae*:

When the Judge his seat attaineth, And each hidden deed arraigneth, Nothing unavenged remaineth. What shall I, frail man, be pleading? Who for me be interceding, When the just are mercy needing? So, like the woman below, I pause and beg God's mercy on the unremembered dead — souls as nameless as the dead leaves at her feet, and far more numerous — and I pray for those whose names I remember, particularly ones who were close to me in this life.



Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. Amen.

May they rest in peace. Amen.

And may their soul

and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Although snow is yet to fall, winter's onset has stripped life and color from the land, reminding this old woman (and all who look upon this scene) that summer is but a season and life itself soon lost.

Like the painter, the Church has for generations associated these days of fallen leaves and chill gray skies with mortality. In November, she asks us particularly in November, not only to remember our own beloved dead, but all the faithful departed whose time of purification and being made ready in Purgatory can — according to Her constant teachings — be alleviated by our prayers for them.

Let us, as a parish and a Catholic people remember all of the dead, remembered and unremembered, but alive in our own memories as we celebrate the highest form of prayer in the Church and on the face of the earth - the Mass. (Fr. Charles)

## Dei Profundis (Psalm 129)

Lord, hear my voice!

O let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleading. If you, O Lord, should mark our guilt, Lord, who would survive? But with you is found forgiveness:

For this we revere you.

My soul is waiting for the Lord, I count on his word. My soul is longing for the Lord More than watchman for daybreak.

Let the watchman count on daybreak and Israel on the Lord.

Because with the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption,
Israel indeed he will redeem from all its iniquity



Tuesday Nov 7th

7:00pm +Deceased Members of the Rosary

**Apostolate** 

Requested by the Rosary Apostolate

Wednesday Nov 8th

8:30am +Ken Matthews

Requested by Clare & Gene Bisogno

Thursday Nov 9th

8:30am +Ken Buchan

Requested by Nancy & Vince Massa

Friday Nov 10th

7:30pm Holy Hour

8:30am **Unannounced Mass** 

Saturday Nov 11<sup>th</sup>

3:30pm Confessions 4:30pm +Harry Hodson

Requested by Dolores & Brian Rae

Sunday Nov 12th

9:00am For the People 11:00am +Jim Groves

Requested by the Lacey Family

## Please Pray for the Sick

Chelsea Cando, Dorothy Dynes, Margot Brandreth, Jean Ferguson, Fred Coulson, Gwen Collard, Hilary Joseph, Henry Niepalla, Teresa & Feliks Kosierb.

## Please Pray for the Recently Deceased

Our Sanctuary Lamp Burns In Memory of Allan Mattacott From Nov 5th to November 11th 2023



**Regular Collection** 4,505.00 (inc PAG) ShareLife \$33,083.50

#### **CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING**

Liturgical Publications will setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in December 2023 and supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 1 800 268 2637.

#### **MISSALS**

Missals are available for purchase in the little store at the back of the church, or from the parish office. The cost is \$7.00. Please put money in the box provided. Thank You.

#### **SENIOR WISH**

This Christmas Senior Wish are resuming their Bags of Love Campaign for seniors who reside in long-term care and in the community who would otherwise not receive gifts.



Also, if anyone would like to adopt a senior please contact the office and I will pass the information along.

St. Mary's will be putting a drop-off box in between the hall and the church for the month of November to support Senior Wish. A list of items will be on the bulletin board for anyone who would like to help a senior.

#### SECOND COLLECTION

There will be a second collection this weekend Nov 4th and 5th for the Maintenance and Building Fund

#### **CWL**

The CWL will be holding their Christmas Bazaar on November 25 & 26.

Tickets for the popular 50/50 draw will go on sale the weekend of Nov 4/5 and following weekends. Proceeds to go to the Collingwood & Meaford Hospitals. Help us make this a success. Thank you for your support.

#### **WE REMEMBER ALL SOULS MASSES**

If you would like to remember your "loved ones" in the Masses through the month of November please pick-up an offering envelope at the front of the church, fill it out and put it in the basket provided, there is also a book of remembrance to sign.



#### PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING

The Archdiocese of Toronto has established a Pre-Authorized Giving Plan (PAG) to assist you in your support of the work of the parish through your regular parish offerings. To accomplish the mission entrusted to us by Christ, the parishes depend entirely on the generosity of their parishioners. Preauthorized giving allows you to give to your parish through scheduled monthly transfers from your bank account. These funds are then deposited directly to the parish account. There are various benefits of participating in pre-authorized giving, both for you and for your parish. Advantages for you:

- The convenience of having your offering automatically contributed to the parish.
- Knowing you continue to support the parish even when you are away
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- Reduction of paperwork.

For information on how to enroll, please contact your parish office.

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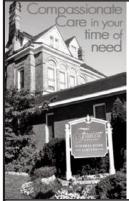


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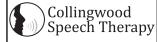
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