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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

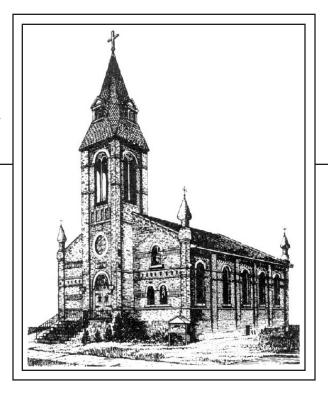
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Tuesday to Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 12 noon

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CATHOLIC SCHOOLS IN THE PARISH

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 ssypcollingwood.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: Carol Johns email: info@collcwl.ca 647-241-4699

The Knights of Columbus 3rd Degree

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THE SHROUD OF TURIN The Burial Cloth of Christ

In this month of November, we remember all who have died. Jesus, the Resurrection and Life, changed forever the death of those who come to believe in Him and this promise is directly connected to the Eucharist He instituted the night before His death: "The one who eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day." (John 6:54) Jesus' death.

Jesus assumed the bodily fate and end of all human beings in the death of His body in crucifixion. His Sacred Heart stopped, His breathing ceased, His muscles hung limp and He was dead. Jesus, through every moment of His earthly life, took upon Himself our human condition, atoning for it and raising it to something much higher. All of the first Resurrection appearances surrounded the empty tomb. No one saw Jesus rise, this of all the most spectacular sights to behold, but no one saw it. They saw the after-effects of His Resurrection — the empty tomb, the burial shroud rolled up and in the place where His body had been laid. Some even saw angels sitting in the place, with words of "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here. He is risen!" (Lk 24:5)

The Shroud of Turin, (14.5 feet long x 3.5 feet wide), has been the most examined artifact in world history, yet so many still have not heard of it nor do they know anything about it. John

Calvin, a Protestant reformer of the 16th century, called the shroud a hoax and dismissed it as inauthentic. But the Catholic Church, long before the



modern sciences of carbon dating and microscopic analysis, believed it to be the burial shroud of Jesus with the biblical record to back it up. The shroud itself is comprised of a long piece of cloth that covered both the front and back of a scourged and crucified man with marks of blood on the head, cuts to the face, a wound in the left side of the chest with evident wounds on hands and feet and the welts of lashes on arms, chest, back and legs. A distinct and clear image is visible on the cloth showing both the front and back of Jesus. In 1898, a man named Secondo Pia, took a picture of the shroud and realized that his photo looked like a negative image has the appearance of a positive print. It is the only artifact like this on the planet Earth.

According to CatholicAnswers.com, a world renowned pathologist, MD and Forensic Pathologist, Frederick T. Zugibe, who is also a crucifixion expert, has closely studied the shroud as if it were a crime scene. His findings over the past 60-years have concluded the following:

- The features and bloodstains on the Shroud are natural, forensically accurate, and indicate direct contact with a human body.
- The image was definitely not applied by an artist's hand.

- Severe anxiety (such as Christ suffered in the Garden of Gethsemane) caused hematidrosis, i.e., sweat became blood
- The scourging was particularly brutal. The crown of thorns was in the shape of a cap, not a circlet. It caused trigeminal neuralgia, "the worst pain that man is heir to. It is devastating and unbearable."
- The Shroud reflects blows to the man's forehead, brow, right upper lip, jaw, and nose.
- Shoulder abrasions are consistent with injuries sustained while carrying the cross piece of the cross. "There is little doubt that Jesus stumbled and fell numerous times before arriving at Calvary."
- "I find it extraordinary that he [Christ] was able to make the trek to Calvary at all in the condition he was in."
- The nailing caused causalgia, an "agonizing pain like lightning bolts traversing the arms and legs."
- Cause of death: "Cardiac and respiratory arrest due to hypovolemic and traumatic shock due to crucifixion."
- Travertine aragonite dust taken from the foot area of the Shroud was a strong match to samples taken from Jerusalem.
- "In spite of the bleeding and brutality depicted in the movie The Passion of the Christ, it is important to emphasize that Jesus actually suffered more than that."

In 1978, a team from twenty different organizations had five days to study the shroud closely, using the most advanced scientific instruments to date, and this is what they concluded:

- "No pigments, paints, dyes, or stains have been found on the fibrils of the Shroud linen. X-ray, fluorescence, and microchemistry on the fibrils preclude the possibility of paint being used for creating the image. Ultraviolet and infrared evaluation confirm these studies."
- "Computer image enhancement and analysis by a VP-8
 image analyzer show that the image has unique, threedimensional information encoded throughout both the
 front and back sides." (It's now known to be the only
 such object in existence.)
- "Micro-chemical evaluation has indicated no evidence of any spices, oils, or any biochemicals known to be produced by the body in life or in death."
- "It is clear the Shroud had that direct contact with a human body, which explains certain features such as scourge marks and bloodstains."
- "Experiments in physics and chemistry with old linen have failed to reproduce adequately the phenomenon presented by the Shroud of Turin."
- "No physical, chemical, medical, or biological methods can adequately explain the image."
- "How or what produced the image continues to be a mystery. We can conclude for now that the Shroud image is that of a real human form of a scourged, crucified man." In all the world, there has never been another who is God in the flesh. Our faith tells us it's Jesus. (Fr.C)



Tues Nov 26th

7:00pm +Henryka Szewczyk

Requested by Teresa & Felix Kosierb

Wed Nov 27th

8:30am Intentions of Myla

Thurs Nov 28th

8:30am +Frances Widner

Requested by Barb Gal

Fri Nov 29th

7:30am Holy Hour

8:30am Intentions of Helen & Roy Adams

Requested by Christy & Family

Sat Nov 30th

3:30 to 4:00pm Confession 4:30pm +Gene Cudney

Requested by Gayle Robinson

Sun Dec 1st

9:00am +Gwen Collard

Requested by John Mattachioni

11:00am For the People

Please Pray for the Sick

Jean Ferguson, Fred Coulson, Hilary Joseph, Henry Niepalla, , Albert Sant, Teresa & Feliks Kosierb, Elizabeth Pavilsa, Ashley Zavitz, Alex Poirier & Family, Tammy MacDonald, Anita Taglione, Denis Fennessy, Mary Little, Yvonne Grimm, Joyce Mittermeier, Janine Wright

Please Pray for the Recently Deceased

John Allary

The Sanctuary Lamp Burns For the Intentions of St. Mary's Parishioners From Nov 24th to Nov 30th



Regular Collection Nov 17th \$4071.75 (Inc PAG)

ShareLife \$33,485.00 Shepherds Trust \$2647.00

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

Over the next few weeks, I will be getting the offertory envelopes ready for 2025. For anyone who does not use envelopes and would like to start using envelopes, please give me a call at the parish office and I will add you to my list.

SENIOR WISH

Thank you to everyone who has donated to the Senior Wish. It is such an amazing Organization. Again we did very well and The Senior Wish Association is very thankful and appreciative.



The deadline will be this weekend as they need time to sort and pack gifts to take to the shut-in's and the nursing homes. This truly makes a difference in the lives of seniors who have no family

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

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.

DAY OF CONFESSIONS FOR ADVENT

Wednesday December 18th 9:00am to 11:00am 6:00pm to 8:00pm



TIP TAP PAY

The future of giving is coming to St. Mary's Parish. In the next few weeks, we will be installing a Tip Tap pay machine in the front vestibule of the parish. There will be a device that will allow you to tap \$5.00, \$10.00 or \$20.00.

You will also have the option to register your card after your first TAP, if you wish to receive a tax receipt, (you only need to register your card one time).

Each 'tiptap" gift that you make with a registered card will be available for an end of year tax receipt. There is no data stored in the 'tiptap' device; it also cannot be hacked as any tampering triggers a signal that shuts down the device. More information to follow.

PAG - PREAUTHORIZED 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. Pre-authorized giving allows you to give to your parish through scheduled monthly transfers from your bank account or credit card. These funds are then deposited directly to the parish account. For more information, please call your parish office.

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