

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

In general, the theme of today's Gospel passage is that Jesus is the Lord of life. And that life is not terminated by physical death. Following on this, we have encounters between Jesus and two influential groups. First, the Pharisees, who were both deeply religious and strongly nationalistic, try to entrap Jesus into making a politically compromising statement. They show him a Roman coin and ask an apparently sincere and innocent question about taxation. But "marvelling at his answer", they were reduced to impotent silence. Next, it is the turn of the Sadducees featured in our Gospel passage today. In their challenge to Jesus, the Sadducees propose an extreme case where seven brothers, who all die before having children, are married successively to the same woman. And they conclude by asking: "At the resurrection - which you believe in but we do not - which of the brothers will be the wife's husband, since she was married to them all?" It was a mocking question meant to rubbish the belief of other Jews. The Sadducees feel that, without belief in life after death, there is no problem. The dead simply disappear into oblivion. But, for Jesus and those other Jews who did believe in the resurrection of the dead, the Sadducees felt their hypothetical created an insoluble solution. Jesus answers the question on various levels. First of all, he implies that life after death is not exactly the same as physical existence. Jesus' own resurrection is never to be understood in that way either. Resurrection is not resuscitation. So Jesus says, "The children of this age take wives and husbands." On the other hand, he says, "Those who are judged worthy of a place in the other age and in the resurrection from the dead do not marry because they can no longer die for they are the same as the angels, and being sons of the resurrection they are sons of God."

"May God protect me from gloomy saints."
St. Teresa of Avila

Vocations – November 10, 2019

Our God is a God of the living not of the dead. Have you had an experience of this living God and want to share it with others? You may be called to the priesthood or religious life. If you think God is calling you to be a priest, contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton: 905-528-7988; vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

Diocese of Hamilton Prayer Calendar 2019

- Monday, November 11 – Rev. Romelito Guillen
- Tuesday, November 12– Rev. Francis Hubilla
- Wednesday, November 13 – Deceased Consecrated Brothers and Sisters
- Thursday, November 14 - Rev. Ronald Voisin
- Friday, November 15– Rev. Duy Van Nguyen
- Saturday, November 16 - Rev. Peter Meyer
- Sunday, November 17 – Thirty-Third Sunday

PARISH EVENTS

Prayers for our Faithful Departed

There are envelopes available at the back of the church for prayers for our faithful departed. Please write names of your loved ones to be prayed for and place your envelope into the basket in front of the altar. **We will continue praying for our loved ones throughout the month of November.** You are also invited to light a candle in their intention and place it into the light container in front of the altar.

Children's Liturgy of the Word

All children are called to Children's Liturgy of the Word at the 10:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday, from September through May. After the opening prayer, children (ages 4 – 9) who wish to attend are invited to the lower church to hear the Gospel reading in simple, relatable language. Readings are accompanied by interactive dialogue, and other activities. Children return before the Liturgy of the Eucharist. Please share this message with other families.

Volunteer for Children's Liturgy

Engage and enlighten children parishioners by volunteering for the Children's Liturgy of the Word as a group leader or assistant. Ensure that both children and parents make the most of their individual liturgical experiences. If you feel that God is calling you to this ministry, please contact our parish office.

Parish Pastoral Council will meet on Wednesday, November 13, 2019 at 7:00 pm. If you have any suggestions or topics that we should discuss, please send them to our parish office or any members of the Pastoral Council.

Mandatory meeting for all Extraordinary Eucharistic Ministers of Holy Communion and to the Homebound and Hospitals. The meeting will take place in our sacristy on Tuesday, November 26th following 7:00 pm Mass. During this meeting a certificate of appointment will be presented to each individual.

Meeting for all Lectors will take place on Thursday, **November 28th at 7:00 pm** in our church. If you are not able to attend the meeting, please inform our parish office. Thank you very much.

FIRST COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION
November 14, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. Meeting with parents and First Communion candidates. **Catechetical Session 1:** "Discovering the grace of prayer".

November 23 at 10 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Mandatory Retreat for Confirmation candidates at St. Teresa Parish. Official closing of the retreat, profession of faith and receiving a witness cross will take place on November 24 during 10:00am Mass.

Mass Intentions November 11 - 17, 2019

Tuesday, November 12– 7:00 p.m.
Living & Deceased Member of the CWL

Wednesday, November 13 – 8:30 a.m.
+Jan & Janina Heydel – Elizabeth Heydel-Quintanilla

Thursday, November 14 – 8:30 a.m.
+Judy Reist – Friend

1:30 p.m.
School Mass & Bible Celebration

Friday, November 15 – 8:30 a.m.
+Jerzy Ozimina – Elizabeth Heydel-Quintanilla


Saturday, November 16 – 9:00 a.m.
Intention of Jadwiga Rokicki – J. Rokicki

Saturday - 5:00 p.m.
+Ludwig Ceh – Theresa Ceh & Family

Sunday, November 17 – 10:00 a.m.
Parishioners of St. Teresa Parish

Stewardship Report November 3, 2019

Envelopes.....	\$2,612.00
Loose.....	288.60
Building and Maintenance.....	160.00
World Mission Sunday.....	10.00
Christmas Offering.....	5.00
All Souls Day.....	545.85
Baptism Donation.....	55.00
Sue's Calorie Club – Hall Rental.....	100.00

 **St. Teresa Parish Christmas Party**

Join us on **Sunday, December 8th** at 4:30 for a family Christmas Party. We will be having a turkey dinner with all of the fixings! Entertainment and maybe even a special guest. Tickets for adults are \$15 (includes a glass of wine) and \$5 for children. Tickets will be on sale the weekends of November 16–17, 23-24 and November 30–December 1 following Masses.

Christmas Craft and Bake Sale - it's that time of year again when we look forward to the baking, sausage and sauerkraut, prize tables, and good deals. This year we will have face painting for the children. If you have donations of crafts and prizes they will be gratefully accepted. We encourage gift cards and small prizes for all ages for the surprise grab bag table, a popular table that we had last year. We will be taking in donations from 6:30 to 8:00 pm on Thursday evenings, **November 7, 14, and 21** in the downstairs meeting rooms. Call the rectory or 519-578-2019 for more information. Let's continue to make this a great parish event.


Coffee Sunday - Join us for coffee and refreshments and socializing after 10:00 a.m. Mass next **Sunday, November 17th.** You'll be glad you did!


Annual CWL Membership Drive
 Reminder it is time to renew your membership or join our parish CWL Council. Special blue CWL envelopes are included in your box of Sunday envelopes. Please put you \$25 fee in and mark your name on outside of envelope. Cash or cheque made payable to St. Teresa CWL. Memberships can be renewed on weekend of Nov 16/17 either at church entrance or at Coffee Sunday, OR at the upcoming Christmas Bazaar on Nov 23/24. All new memberships or renewals made before December 8th are eligible to win a free membership. Any questions please contact Mary Helen Stroeder 519-570-4375.

Church Bulletin Advertising
 Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in February 2020 and supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 1-800-268-2637.

A Warm Thank You to our parish for their support for the Winter Coat Project for our refugee families! We have collected coats, hats, gloves, boots and money to outfit all the adult, children and the new baby. There is a need of a good used vacuum cleaner for one family. If you have a good used vacuum that you could donate, would you please contact Rosemary or Bernie Pickett at 519-745-6334 or berniejpickett@gmail.com. May God bless you for your assistance and generosity! There will also be a meeting for the St. Teresa Conference of the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul on **Wednesday November 20th** in the Lower Hall Meeting Room at 7 p.m.. All are welcomed.

Hospitals and Privacy Laws:
 Because of privacy laws, hospitals do not notify us when parishioners are admitted. If someone in your family is admitted to hospital and you want the Parish Office to know, please call and tell us. Many hospitals, Catholic or not, have a priest assigned to visit the Catholic patients and bring them Communion, but the family must tell the admittance office of their wish for a clergy visit.

 **Euchre**
 Next game night will be **Friday, November 22nd** at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome.

 Matinee on **Saturday, November 23rd** from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. at the Charities Bingo Hall, 510 Krug Street, Kitchener. To assist with this fundraiser for our parish, please call the office: 519-743-4525.