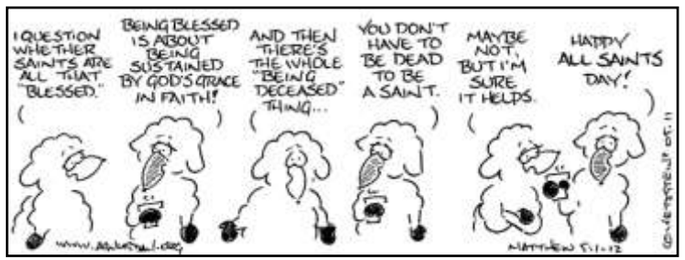
All Saints, November 01, 2026

Intentions: November 01 - For **Special Intentions**, requested by Denise Brownlee.
Mass Intentions: $15.00

Offertory Collection:
25 October - $741.05 Thank You.

Reflection: This solemnity of All Saints is a reminder and promise that through our baptism we already share in the glory of the saints whom we honor. The saints stand out as models who have been faithful to their baptismal commitment and give us courage and strength that we, too, can be faithful. We know some of the saints who have been canonized by name. And there are also countless other saints, our deceased relatives and friends among them, whom we also know by name. This multitude of faithful followers of Christ beckon us to hear what Jesus teaches in the gospel: "Blessed are you…" (Living Liturgy, p.240)

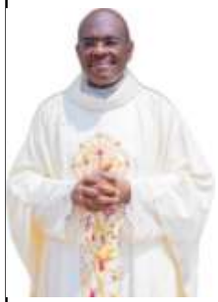
Vincentian Meditation: The Beatitudes are a new scale of values. We might say that the Beatitudes are an invasion of God's madness into the world of what humanity considers to be good sense. Have you ever tried to make a list of what you would consider your eight beatitudes? This could be very revealing and might show a very deep chasm between the values of our Lord and those by which we daily live. Do you feel comfortable with our Lord's Beatitudes? Or has it been your experience, as it has been mine, that when you start to think or talk about one beatitude, you prefer to drop it because of its difficulty, and move on to another which you would consider more simple and easy? The beatitude that makes you feel most uncomfortable is probably the one that is most relevant to you personally. (McCullen, *Deep Down Things*, p.739)



Pope's Intentions for the Month of November: For the proper use of wealth: Let us pray for the proper use of wealth, that not succumbing to the temptation of selfishness, it may always be put at the service of the common good and solidarity of those who have less.

Administrator's Corner

YOU TOO CAN BE A SAINT



When we look at the statues of saints in our churches, we sometimes think, "These people were extraordinary! They prayed for hours and performed miracles. How can an ordinary person like me become a saint?"

This weekend's Solemnity of All Saints gives us a wonderful answer: Yes, you too can be a saint.

The saints were not all born extraordinary. Many struggled with their weaknesses. St Peter was impulsive. St Paul persecuted Christians before becoming an apostle. St Augustine struggled for years before his conversion. What made them saints was their willingness to allow God's grace to transform their ordinary lives.

The message of All Saints is not simply, "Look at these wonderful people!" It is also, "Look at what God's grace can do in your life!"

In the Beatitudes, Jesus gives us the roadmap to sainthood. He does not say, "Blessed are those with the most money or followers." He describes people whose hearts are open to God. To be poor in spirit is to recognize our need for God. To hunger for righteousness is to desire what is right, even when it costs us. To be merciful is to refuse to let another person's mistakes destroy our capacity to love.

Pope Francis reminds us in Gaudete et Exsultate, "To be holy does not require being a bishop, a priest or a religious." Holiness is not a privilege reserved for a few. It is your Christian calling. You too can be a saint right where you are.

Holiness grows in small, hidden moments. Imagine being deeply offended by a relative. You have every reason to be hurt. Yet instead of spreading the story, you decide to pray and refuse to repay evil with evil. No one may applaud it. Yet in that quiet struggle to forgive, you are becoming a saint.

A husband can be a saint by listening patiently to his wife. A wife can be a saint by responding with gentleness. Parents can be saints by correcting their children firmly but lovingly and teaching them to pray. Grandparents can be saints by praying for their families. As St Thérèse of Lisieux said, "Miss no single opportunity of making some small sacrifice, here by a smiling look, there by a kindly word."

St Josemaría Escrivá captures it perfectly: "Either we learn to find our Lord in ordinary, everyday life, or else we shall never find him."

Your ordinary responsibilities can become the very place where holiness grows. When carried out with love and integrity, your work, your family, and your daily duties are your path to sainthood.

This All Saints Day, do not just admire the saints. Join them. You too can be a saint.

Fr. Anthony

PLEASE NOTE

Tourtière / Fruit Pie Fundraiser: Our Christmas Tourtières are now available to be purchased at the price of $30.00. Get one early as they will be on limited quantities this year.

Formed website: We encourage you to visit the Formed website where you will find lots of interesting and informative information about our faith. You can have free access with the following password: **K0A1X0.**

Is Life Always Worth Living? A workshop on adding, value and purpose. Led by Amanda Achtman, Ethics Director at Canadian Physicians for Life, and the most ardent catholic voice against euthanasia in Canada. Two mini talks, Q&A, a delicious catered lunch, and an interactive workshop are included. Where: Holy Spirit parish, 14 November at 10AM to 2PM; cost: $25 for for more information email Deacon James at jgkubina@gmail.com.



Prayers for the Sick. Please pray for the sick among our families and friends, especially for Roy Campbell, Linda Cassidy, Patricia Cassidy, Suzanne Lafontaine, Priscilla Rowley and Lorraine Stafford. *The names will remain on the list until we are otherwise advised.*

Weekly Eucharist

St. Gabriel's
(Constance Bay)

Sunday 11:00 am Mass

St. Michael's
(Fitzroy Harbour)

Saturday 4:00 pm Mass
Sunday 9:00 am Mass
Wednesday 8:00 am adoration/confession, 9:00 am mass
Thursday 8:30 am confession, 9am mass
Friday 8:30 am confession, 9am mass

Confessions and Sacrament Of the Sick are available by request. Please contact Fr. Anthony directly to book an appointment.



Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament held at St. Michael's Parish only: You are most welcome to join us Wednesday mornings, with exposition at 8:00 am and Mass at 9:00 am

St. Michael's Live streaming link on YouTube
Sunday Mass 9 am
StMStG-Live

Lost and Found
Periodically , please check the lost and found basket at the church entrance for articles you may have left behind.

Suggestion Box
The Suggestion Box at the rear of the church is there for you to give us your observations, comments, suggestions, new fundraising ideas etc. for enrichment of our parish. **Please use it!**

Intentions Book:
You are invited to write your prayer requests in our special intentions book in the back of the church - as many and as often as you like. It is important that we verbalize in some form, our desire before God. You are very welcome to be anonymous.

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Sts Michael and Gabriel helpinghand ministry: Her objective is to serve needy families periodically in a timely and confidential manner. More details will be announced soon. The administrators can be reached at stmichaelshelpinghands@gmail.com or (613) 623-3419.



West Carleton Food Access Centre: (WCFAC) Please remember our local Food Bank each week by donating items to St. Gabriel's grocery cart. Cash donations of $20.00 and over will receive a tax receipt. Please include your name and address on the envelope. See Suzanne Lee if you have any questions. **Thank you**

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