

# ST. LAWRENCE O'TOOLE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Tuesday & Friday: 9:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

*For emergencies during the week also call Holy  
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Office Hours: Wednesday & Thursday,  
9:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.*

## ✠ Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time ✠

November 5, 2023

**PRAYING FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED:** As reminder of our duty to pray for the faithful departed, especially the suffering faithful in Purgatory, the Church has dedicated November to the Holy Souls undergoing final purification. Our Book of Remembrance is at the front of the church. You are invited to enter the names of deceased loved ones to be.

The offering of Masses for the intentions of the faithful departed are good and holy acts. This practice is not new. The Catechism asserts, “From the beginning the Church has honored the memory of the dead and offered prayers in suffrage for them, above all the Eucharistic Sacrifice, so that, thus purified, they may attain the beatific vision of God” (No. 1032)

**REMEMBRANCE DAY:** Is this Saturday, November 11<sup>th</sup> when at 11:00 a.m. we formally observe 2 minutes of silence. *Lest we forget.*

*They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old:  
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.  
At the going down of the sun and in the morning,  
We will remember them.*

## Thirty-First Week in Ordinary Time

November 6 – 11

<b>Monday</b>	11:00 a.m.	+ Funeral Mass: <i>Jerry Green</i>
<b>Tuesday</b>	9:00 a.m.	(with <i>Our Lady of Perpetual Help Devotions</i> ) + Brotton & Yashinskie Family by <i>Brotton Family</i>
<b>Friday</b>	9:00 a.m.	+ Phelanda Hall by <i>Family</i>

## + Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time +

November 12, 2023

<b>Saturday</b>	4:00 p.m.	+ Margaret Cowan by <i>Gwen Coulas</i> + Thomas O'Reilly by <i>Veronica O'Reilly</i>
<b>Sunday</b>	10:30 a.m.	Mass for the People

<b>Liturgical Appointments</b>	<b>November 11</b>	<b>November 12</b>
<b>Readings</b>	<i>Karen Yakabuski</i>	<i>Beverly Glofcheskie</i>
<b>Communion</b>	<i>Beverly Glofcheskie</i>	<i>Terry Recoskie</i>
<b>Offertory</b>	<i>Tony Burant</i> <i>Richard Luckasavitch</i>	<i>Eddie Etmanskie</i> <i>Jamie Prince</i>

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:** Saturday 3:15 p.m. – 3:45 p.m. in sacristy.  
Weekdays – before weekday Masses in sacristy or by appointment during office hours.

### IN YOUR PRAYERS, PLEASE REMEMBER:

- for parishioners and friends who are sick, especially: *Shaun O'Malley; Jacob Westen; Donna & Gary Helferty; Michael Sauro.*
- for those who have died, especially: *Jerry Green; Keith Towns; Gerard Burchat; David Stamplecoski; Allan Shulist; Elizabeth "Beth" Holmes (Madonna House).*
- that the Lord Jesus would anoint with the gift of the Holy Spirit the process of calling forth a new bishop to shepherd our diocese;
- for those named in our Book of Remembrance; all who have died in war and during peacekeeping duties

### ROMAN CALENDAR:

Monday	- Ferial – ordinary weekday
Tuesday	- Ferial – ordinary weekday
Wednesday	- Ferial – ordinary weekday
Thursday	- The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica
Friday	- St. Leo the Great, pope, doctor
Saturday	- St. Martin of Tours, bishop

**ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM O LORD  
AND LET PERPETUAL LIGHT SHINE UPON THEM**

\*All who die in God's grace and friendship, but still imperfectly purified, are indeed assured of their eternal salvation; but after death they undergo purification, so as to achieve the holiness necessary to enter the joy of heaven. [CCC 1030].

\* We have no way of knowing whether our loved ones are now in the presence of God, or still getting ready. No matter, because we believe they are in the Father's "good hands," embraced by the Holy Spirit and always with us since we are all part of the Mystical Body of Christ. ~ *Joseph Foy*

\* I would go so far as to say that if there was no purgatory, then we would have to invent it, for who would say of himself that he was able to stand directly before God. And yet we don't want to be, to use an image from Scripture, 'a pot that turned out wrong', that has to be thrown away; we want to be able to be put right. Purgatory basically means that God can put the pieces back together again. That he can cleanse us in such a way that we are able to be with him and can stand there in the fullness of life. Purgatory strips off from one person what is unbearable and from another the inability to bear certain things, so that in each of them a pure heart is revealed, and we can see that we all belong together in one enormous symphony of being. ~ *Pope Benedict XVI*

\*When we say "eternal rest", we do not mean the ceasing of all activity in the presence of God but that the Father, Son and Holy Spirit are finally for us the living in the glory of the fullness of satisfied desire, eternal joy, consummate delight, and perfect happiness. ~ *Fr. John Burchat*

**Prayer for Our Future Bishop**

Heavenly Father, we ask in the name of your Son, that you bless our future bishop.

Provide him with the gifts he will need

to carry on the ministry of Jesus in our diocese.

Grant him the heart of your Son, the heart of the Good Shepherd.

Bestow upon him the zeal of St. Paul in preaching the Good News;

the humility of St. John Vianney in ministering the sacraments;

the compassion of St. Vincent-de-Paul in serving those most in need;

the wisdom of St. Augustine in teaching the doctrine of our Church;

and the missionary fervor of St. Columbkille, our patron.

Through Christ our Lord. Amen

## **LAST WEEK'S SUNDAY OFFERINGS:**

Total: \$2,919.95; (Envelopes: \$2,212.00; E-Transfers: \$350.00; Loose: \$252.95; Visitors: \$50.00; World Mission: \$55.00 [People at Mass: 4:00 p.m./120; 10:30 a.m./80]

**CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS FOR CHILDREN:** Preparation for First Holy Communion and Confirmation in our parish is in accordance with diocesan policy and a process of individualized family faith formation. Families who wish to have their children prepare for these sacraments are invited to return to the practice of the faith with regular Sunday Mass attendance as essential for family faith formation. The parish provides resources and catechetical assistance. The beginning of the preparation begins with an informal meeting with Fr. Burchat after Sunday Mass.

**SMALL GROUP SCRIPTURE STUDY:** Open to all. The next 6-week session will be from **Tuesday, November 7 to Tuesday, December 19**, 7-8:45 p.m. in the St. Lawrence O'Toole Hall, led by John Morris, Ph.D. (613 729-6647) and Fr. John Burchat. We're following the book entitled, **The Gospel of Mark** (Catholic Commentary on Sacred Scripture by *Mary Healy*) Books for this study are available at \$20 each. Having a book is not mandatory. Please bring a recent translation of the Holy Bible. This group requires no ongoing commitment.

**EVENINGS OF PRAISE, WORSHIP AND INTERCESSORY PRAYER** – Open to all – Join with the Spirit of the Living God Prayer Group on Thursdays at 7 p.m. in the St. Lawrence O'Toole parish hall. For info contact Greg or Mary 613-756-6643

**A MEMORIAL SERVICE** will be held for **all deceased CWL members** of St. Lawrence O'Toole council on Wednesday, Nov. 8 at 7pm in the Parish Hall, with special tributes to Leona Etmanskie, Norine Helferty, Eva Kulas, Margaret Peplinskie and Constance Chippure. Everyone is welcome.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:** Next meeting Wednesday, November 15; 7 p.m.

**ST. HEDWIG'S CRAFT & BAKE SALE:** On November 19<sup>th</sup>, 12:00 until 4:00 p.m. Craft tables, baked goods, chili & tea biscuits available, 50/50 draw. Everyone welcome.

**THIS SUNDAY'S GOSPEL:** The official religious leaders of Jesus' day taught correct doctrine and were even generous in sharing the truth, but ungenerous in sharing their love. We should be willing to criticize others for their moral behavior precisely in the measure that we are willing to help them deal with the problem that we have identified. Here is the bottom line: if you have no interest in walking with a fellow sinner, you should keep your criticisms to yourself. ~ *Bishop Robert Barron*

**PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED** on Friday, November 17th.