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33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 19, 2023



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This Week's Readings

	1st Reading	Gospel
Sun, Nov 19	Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31	Matthew 25:14-30
Mon, Nov 20	1 Maccabees 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63	Luke 18:35-43
Tues, Nov 21	2 Maccabees 6:18-31	Luke 19:1-10
Wed, Nov 22	2 Maccabees 7:1, 20-31	Luke 19:11-28
Thurs, Nov 23	Sirach 50:22-24	Luke 17:11-19
Fri, Nov 24	1 Maccabees 4:36-37, 52-59	Luke 19:45-48
Sat, Nov 25	1 Maccabees 6:1-13	Luke 20:27-40

Community's Email Addresses

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Giving to Corpus Christi Parish

There are many ways to donate to Corpus Christi Parish:

1. Weekly Offertory Envelopes
2. Cash donations
3. E-Transfers to finance@corpuschristins.ca, include your name and church.
4. PAR (Pre-Authorized Remittances)
5. Through the mail, send to Kentville Parish Office

Our parish thanks you for your financial support.

<u>Individual Confession Times</u>	
	Kentville – every Saturday 11 am – 12 noon
	Middleton – after Wednesday morning Mass until 10:00 am
	Windsor – 1 st Saturday of the month ... 9 – 10 am
	Berwick – 1 st Saturday of the month ... 10 – 11 am

Scripture Reflection and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Take time to reflect and discuss God's Word and pray before the Blessed Sacrament. Held on **Tuesdays**
Berwick: 10 am to 11 am - Scripture reflection, 11 am to noon - Rosary during Exposition
Middleton: 2pm to 3pm - Scripture reflection, 3pm to 4pm - Rosary during Exposition



Mass Times & Intentions

SATURDAY, NOV 18

Bridgetown	4:00 PM	<i>Liturgy of the Word with Communion</i>
Kentville	3:00 PM	Doris Garvin by her son David Garvin
Digby	4:00 PM	Betty Cosman by Jacqueline & Bill Amirault

SUNDAY, NOV 19

Windsor	8:30 AM	Deceased Members of St John's Church
Annapolis Royal	9:00 AM	Bob & Sandra Cook by Paul & Pam Law
Berwick	9:00 AM	<i>Liturgy of the Word with Communion</i>
Kentville	10:30 AM	Donald Chisholm by his Wife & Family
Middleton	11:00 AM	<i>Liturgy of the Word with Communion</i>
Weymouth	11:30 AM	Edward Rice by his family
Wolfville	12:15 PM	Deceased Members of the Bresnan Family by Frances Bresnan

TUESDAY, NOV 21

Kentville	8:30 AM	Deceased Members of St Joseph's Rosary Cenacle
Digby	6:30 PM	Elsie McCarthy by Michael, Jill & Keigan

WEDNESDAY, NOV 22

Kentville	8:30 AM	Intentions of June Villaflor by P. Villaflor
Middleton	9:00 AM	Intentions of Rose Longley (L) by Carolyn Gilbert
Weymouth	4:00 PM	Mary & Henry Belliveau by Joanne & Jerry Belliveau

THURSDAY, NOV 23

Kentville	8:30 AM	Special Intention
Weymouth	4:00 PM	Claudette Vailiancourt by Rosetta LeBlanc

FRIDAY, NOV 24

Berwick	9:00 AM	John McCabe by Mari McCabe & Family
Digby	9:00 AM	Elizabeth McGrath by Pat Levings

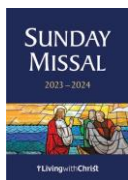
SATURDAY, NOV 25

Bridgetown	4:00 PM	Francois Locas by Sylvain Locas & Family
Kentville	4:00 PM	Darryl Crossman by Pat Crossman
Digby	4:00 PM	Catherine Robicheau by Gordon and Nancy Coakley

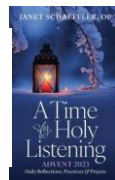
SUNDAY, NOV 26

Windsor	8:30 AM	<i>Liturgy of the Word with Communion</i>
Annapolis Royal	9:00 AM	Bob & Sandra Cook by Tyler & Kendra
Berwick	9:00 AM	Bermie Fitzgerald by Lillian Fitzgerald
Kentville	10:30 AM	Bill Clahane by Juanita
Middleton	11:00 AM	Daniel Bernard by Ken Shipley
Weymouth	11:30 AM	Reid Melanson & for my sisters and brothers by Evelyn Melanson
Wolfville	12:15 PM	Linda Strickey by her Family

Weekday Masses in Kentville are now held in the church basement (ie. Fr Jack's) and will NOT be Livestreamed.



Sunday Missals 2023-2024 \$5
Daily Reflection Booklets for Advent \$2
Now Available in the Church Entrance



Book of Remembrance - Our churches will have their Book of Remembrance / Book of Life out in the church for the month of November. You are welcome to enter the names of Deceased that you want remembered.

Seventh Annual World Day of the Poor - Nov 19, 2023

Reflections from Society of St Vincent de Paul Wolfville

"A great river of poverty is...swelling to the point of overflowing" – Pope Francis

In response to the awareness of the many aspects of poverty at the local and global level highlighted by Pope Francis, please consider becoming more proactive with the existing support organizations in your own region. To become engaged in alleviating the injustices arising from poverty is a necessary extension of prayer and charitable giving. Please consider speaking directly to the groups already working towards this goal to learn more about, and see how you might participate in, uplifting our fellow pilgrims. Contact your individual church offices to inquire.

To the whole Parish of Corpus Christi, we invite you to join us on this **2023 World Day of the Poor** in recommitting ourselves to help the less fortunate in our respective neighbourhoods.

"Lord Jesus ...make us responsive to the Christian calling to seek and find the forgotten, the suffering or the deprived, so that we may bring them your love." – from Opening Prayers, Society of St Vincent de Paul

The Marian Movement of Priests Rosary Cenacle (Kentville) has resumed on Tuesdays at **10am** (new time) at St Joseph's Church, Kentville. For more information, contact Clay Moran 902-385-8819 or Barb Montford 902-678-9212.

Fundy Interchurch Food Bank (Kentville) - Do you enjoy knitting or know someone that does! With your support, we hope to provide mittens, hats, and scarves for children of families we serve each month. Please contact us at fundyfoodbank2020@gmail.com or 902-679-3664 if you can help us. The knitted items can be dropped off on **Wed, Nov 22** from 8 - 10:30 am or Thurs, Nov 23 from 9am to 2pm at our Food Bank, 50 Belcher St. Kentville. We are so thankful for your ongoing donations and volunteer support.

Grace

by Fr. Richard Rohr o.f.m.

God's love is total, unconditional, absolute and forever. The state of grace – God's attitude toward us – is eternal. We are the ones who change.

Sometimes we are able to believe that God loves us unconditionally, absolutely and forever. That's grace! And sometimes because we get down on ourselves, and carry guilt and fear and burdens, we are not able to believe that God loves us. Biblically, that's the greatest sin: not to believe the good news, not to accept the unconditional love of God. When we no longer believe God loves us, we can no longer love ourselves. We have to allow God to continually fill us. Then we find in our own lives the power to give love away.

- from *The Great Themes of Scripture*

A Royal Consort (Annapolis Royal) A local community choir directed by Joanne Buckmaster, accompanied by Connie Rouse, will present its annual Christmas concert, Comfort and Joy, in St. George and St. Andrew United Church, Annapolis Royal, on **Nov 25** at 7:00 pm. Tickets are available at Bainton's Tannery, from choir members, and at the door. An open reception featuring Christmas cookies will be held in the church hall following the concert.

CRA Information Session (Annapolis Royal) On Thursday, **Nov 30** at 2p.m., St George & St Andrew United Church (the brick church by the traffic lights in Annapolis Royal) is hosting a FREE information and discussion session featuring a representative from Canada Revenue Agency. An opportunity will be provided for attendees to ask questions and share their personal stories related to a wide range of income tax related topics. For more information on this event, please call the church at (902) 532-7954, or email stgeorgeandstandrew@gmail.com or incometaxhelp@eastlink.ca

St. Joseph's CWL Bake Sale (Kentville) – **Sat, Dec 2** at 10am – 4 pm in the multipurpose room. Baked goods, preserves, crafts welcomed from the community. Please deliver them on Dec 1. Proceeds go towards parish activities and outreach in the community, i.e educational bursaries in the local schools.

Marian Prayer Hour (Middleton) As we soon celebrate Christ the King and the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we are mindful of the great need for transformation of our hearts towards the true peace of Christ in our lives, our families, our country, and our world. Please join us in anticipating Advent with a Marian Prayer Hour on **Sat, Dec 2** at 11:00 am at St. Monica's Church. All are warmly welcome! Hosted by St. Monica's CWL.

Sacraments - If you are a youth who has missed the sacraments of Baptism, First Reconciliation, or First Communion or know a youth who has missed them, Kentville is offering a program for youth in grades 5 to grade 8 to receive the sacraments. The program is a blend of Encounter, which is a Bible Timeline course for teens, and OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation for Adults) for teens. For information and to register, please kentville@corpuschristins.ca.

Holy Heroes Daily Emails - For Advent, **Corpus Christi Parish** will be sending out Holy Heroes emails daily for the children and youth. Children attending catechism at St. Joseph's Church in Kentville will automatically receive the emails. If you have children who do not attend catechism but would like them to receive the Holy Heroes daily emails during Advent, please email the Kentville liaison at kentville@corpuschristins.ca and request to be added to the list.

CREATE HOPE - Stand for the Land - Development and Peace

Together, let's support the communities of Guapinol and San Pedro in Honduras!

Development and Peace — Caritas Canada is responding to the call from our partner ERIC—Radio Progreso to raise awareness of the tragic plight of the communities of Guapinol and the San Pedro sector. We stand with them as they defend their right to water for survival and struggle to obtain: Justice, Reparations and protection, the cancellation of irregularly granted mining permits, & the restoration of their national park.

“It is urgent to cancel all mining in this area of our park. All the damage caused to our rivers and mountains must be repaired.” — Daniel Márquez, Guapinol defender and former political prisoner

Let's ask the Honduran government to better protect environmental and human rights defenders and to act for justice. Stand in solidarity. Sign the letter to the Honduran ambassador found at your church this weekend or sign at devp.org/act.

Learn more at: devp.org/campaign.

Want to be involved with **Development and Peace** in your own church community/parish?
Contact Bernadine teBogt at bernadine.tebogt@gmail.com or 902-670-7264.



CWL Fundraiser (Kentville) - Tickets for an Advent runner will be available after weekend Masses at St. Joseph's, Kentville. These tickets will be for sale in the foyer after the 4pm Mass and in the Chapel after 10:30 Mass. The cost is \$2 for 1 ticket or \$5 for 3 tickets. Draw date will **Dec 2**. Proceeds for St. Joseph's CWL church activities. Any questions, please contact President Ann Myers (902-680-8957).

Angel Tree for St Anthony's Church (Berwick) - Tags will be available after Mass **Nov 5, 12 & 19**. Unwrapped gifts to be returned with the Angel tag no later than Dec 10. Wrapping Party will be held Dec 17. Contact information, please call Mary Stevenson 902-538-9265 or Paula Hasler 902-681-1601.

Christmas Hampers (Kentville) - Registration for Christmas Hampers has begun. St. Joseph's (Kentville) is once again sponsoring 60 families. If you would like to offer a **donation**, any amount will be gratefully accepted. Surplus funds are deposited into the **Christian Concern** account which offers assistance throughout the year for food vouchers, pharmaceuticals, rent, oil, electricity, travel to medical appointments etc.

Out of the Mouths of God's Kids ...

One day a space shuttle crashed to the ground in the yard of a preschool. When he finally struggled out of the wreckage, the astronaut shouted, "I'm free! I'm free!!!" At this point, one of the little children standing there shouted back, "Big deal, I'm four!"



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St John's Giving Tree (Windsor) - will make an appearance on **Dec 3** (1st Sunday of Advent). The ornaments represent gifts for families in need. If you pick an ornament, please return the present, gift wrapped, by **Sun, Dec 17**, with the ornament taped to the gift. Thank you in advance for brightening someone's Christmas.

Society of St Vincent de Paul (Wolfville/Canning) Conference - Christmas Sharing Campaign

The St Francis Conference of the Society of St Vincent de Paul (SSVP) Christmas Campaign is once again asking for financial donations which will be used to purchase store **gift cards** for the **children and families** in the Wolfville/Canning area whom we have served this past year. If you wish to donate to this campaign, please do so before **Dec 3**. As in previous years, cheques may be made out to *Corpus Christi Parish* with a note in the memo line stating: SSVP St Francis Christmas and dropped in any Sunday collection box or mailed directly to St Francis of Assisi Church: 118 Main St, Wolfville, NS, B4P 1B7. We also would happily add any baking supplies and seasonal treats/stocking stuffers that people may wish to drop off at St Francis during November. Questions? Call Annmarie Mentink 902-542-7366 or Margaret Burton 902-698- 0492.

Catholic Women's Foundation 2024 Leadership Program is now accepting applications for the 2024 cohort of our Leadership Program, scheduled to begin in June 2024 at the Providence School of Transformative Leadership and Spirituality, Saint Paul University, Ottawa. The program is open to all Canadian Catholic women, from all walks of life who have a genuine interest in making a difference in their communities and places of work.

The Program is a 11-month Certificate program with an ongoing mentorship once the course work is completed. Throughout the Program, participants will be guided by professional facilitators from Saint Paul University. The Program is specifically designed to integrate faith and life, personal and professional leadership development. Spirituality and a Catholic faith perspective are the foundation of all activities; prayer and reflective practice are core elements integrated throughout the program. Details of the content of the different components and timelines can be found on the website at www.cwlfcanada.ca.

If you are or know of a Catholic woman who wishes to be a transformational and influential leader, we invite you to complete the application process by **Jan 15, 2024** which can be found at www.cwlfcanada.ca/participate.

Corpus Christi Catholic Books & Gifts

St. Monica's (Middleton): Advent Candles: Set of four tapers (3 purple, 1 rose) \$12.75. Also, affordable religious boxed Christmas cards. Keep Christ in Christmas magnets to place on your car or in your home are durable and can be used for many years (\$5.00). Available at St. Monica's church hall after Sunday Mass or call Mary Crooks 902-825-6495.

St. Joseph's (Kentville): A growing variety of children & adult books & gifts to purchase ... or books to sign out. The "Library/Bookstore" is open during office hours (Monday, Tuesday, or Thursday 9am-1pm) or after Mass.

Sunday Missal for Young Catholics contains all the Sunday readings for the year starting with the First Sunday of Advent on December 3. The colourful illustrations, larger print, and definitions of unfamiliar words makes it ideal for children and youth to participate in Mass and learn about Scripture. Excellent gift for children. Available at St. Monica's church hall after Sunday Mass or call Mary Crooks 902-825-6495, and at St. Joseph's Church. (\$7)

Advent Gospel Reflections contains a Scripture quotation and reflection by Bishop Robert Barron for each day of Advent, with questions and journaling space to guide a personally meaningful and prayerful Advent season. In addition, Bishop Barron reflects on the five Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary. (\$5) Available at St. Monica's church hall in Middleton after Sunday Mass or call Mary Crooks 902-825-6495, and at St. Patrick's Church in Digby (contact Nancy Robinson 902-467-3700 or Pam 902-245-2115).

In the Hospital or Home Bound? If you know of someone (a family member or friend) who is in the hospital or at home and would like Holy Communion, the Sacrament of the Sick, or simply a visit, please contact the church office.

In Praise of Silence

by Fr. Ron Rolheiser o.m.i.

The great spiritual writer Meister Eckhart wrote: *"There is nothing in the world that resembles God as much as silence."*

In essence, Eckhart is saying this: Silence is a privileged entry into the realm of God and into eternal life. There is a huge silence inside each of us that beckons us into itself, and the recovery of our own silence can begin to teach us the language of heaven. What is meant by this?

Silence is a language that is infinitely deeper, more far-reaching, more understanding, more compassionate, and more eternal than any other language. In heaven, it seems, there will be no languages, no words. Silence will speak. We will wholly, intimately, and ecstatically hold each other in silence, in perfect understanding. Words, for all their value, are part of the reason why we can't do this already. They divide as much as they unite. There is a deeper connection available in silence. Lovers already know this, as do the Quakers whose liturgy tries to imitate the silence of heaven, and as do those who practice contemplative prayer. John of the Cross expresses this in a wonderfully cryptic line: *"Learn to understand more by not understanding than by understanding."*

Silence does speak louder than words, and more deeply. We experience this already now in different ways: When we are separated by distance or death from loved ones, we can still be with them in silence; when we are divided from other sincere persons through misunderstanding, silence can provide the place where we can still be together; when we stand helpless before another's suffering, silence can be the best way of expressing our empathy; and when we have sinned and have no words to restore things to their previous wholeness, in silence a deeper word can speak and let us know that, in the end, all will be well and every manner of being will be well.

"There is nothing in the world that resembles God as much as silence." It's the language of heaven and it is already deep inside of us, beckoning us, inviting us to deeper intimacy with everything.

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