

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Bulletin for 3rd November 2024



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Thirty First Sunday in Ordinary Time

• [Deuteronomy 6:2-6](#) • [Psalm 18](#) • [Hebrews 7:23-28](#) • [Mark 12:28-34](#) •

Higher-end cameras have a setting called “portrait mode,” which focuses only on the face of the individual you are trying to capture while blurring out everything in the background. In today’s Gospel, Jesus congratulates a scribe who has come to see God in this way. The scribe understands that *loving* God and his people is the most important thing he can do. Everything else is background—not erased, of course, but secondary when compared to the main picture!

You can probably recall times when you have lost your focus on the Lord. Maybe your gaze was fixed on a new pricey object you wanted to buy. Perhaps duties and deadlines pulled your vision away. Or maybe there have been times when you approached your spiritual life as routine and focused on secondary tasks and needs instead. Sometimes we aren’t even aware that it has happened until some challenge wakes us up to our predicament.

So how can we keep our focus on the Lord as this scribe did? How can we make sure that we are placing a priority on loving him? We can remember to dedicate even the ordinary parts of our days to the Lord. We can make a morning offering to him every day when we wake up and try lifting up some spontaneous prayers at different times during the day. We can invite the Lord into a stressful meeting, look for him in our fellow commuters, or pause to acknowledge the Holy Spirit at the kitchen sink.

Loving God with all our hearts doesn’t have to be an intense, all-day prayer marathon. Sometimes all it takes is a glance toward heaven to refocus our hearts on him. The more you do this, the more you’ll find your preoccupations and worries fading into the background—and Jesus, your loving Savior, filling your heart and your vision!

the Word among us, Oct 2024

“Jesus, draw my eyes to you more and more as I offer you this day and all that it brings!”

Solemnity of All Saints Day

On Friday, 1st November we celebrate the Solemnity of All Saints, remembering all the saints known and unknown to us who enjoy the glory of heaven. The roots of this solemnity are deep in our history. As early as the fourth century, a feast in honour of all the martyrs was celebrated in the East, and arrived in Rome by early 610. In this day’s Gospel we hear the Beatitudes, which are guidelines for true joy and the attainment of sanctity in our Christian lives. We hear how to live lives of holiness so that we may attain happiness in this life, but even more happiness in the next life as we strive to likewise be numbered among all the saints in heaven.

Mass Times

Sunday Mass

Our Lady of the Mountains Saturday 5:00 pm Rosary at 4:30 pm
Our Lady of the Mountains Sunday 9:00 am Rosary at 8:30 am
St. Christopher's Mt. Currie Sunday 11:30 am
St. Francis of Assisi, Pemberton Sunday 1:00 pm

Daily Mass

Our Lady of the Mountains Monday, Thursday, Friday at 6:00 pm
Tuesday, Wednesday, Saturday at 9:00 am
St. Christopher's Wednesday at 11:00 am
St. Francis of Assisi, Pemberton Friday at 11:00 am

Our Lady of the Mountains

Rosary before Mass on Saturdays and Sundays: for those who have left the Church

Bible Study Tuesdays 5:00-6:00 pm – all welcome

MASS LECTORS



Our Lady of the Mountains

Sat 9th Nov Alyssa

Sun 10th Nov Roberta

St. Francis of Assisi

Sun 10th Nov Liz

Katie

Sacrament of Reconciliation – 4:25-4:55pm Saturday, 8:25-8:55am Sunday or by appt

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CFC Christian Life Program - Last session on Saturday

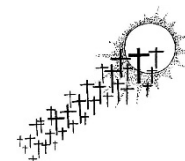
This Saturday, 2nd November is the last in the series of talks about our Christian Faith, after 5:00pm Mass. Meals will be served for all and all young and old adults welcome.

Second Collection for Healing and Reconciliation next week

Thank you again for your generosity in support of this most worthy cause to assist our Indigenous brothers and sisters in their healing. The fund seeks to support projects that are determined locally, in collaboration with First Nations, Métis and Inuit partners.

All Souls Day 2nd November - Honour the Faithful Departed

All Souls is unique on the liturgical calendar. Neither a solemnity nor a feast, this commemoration outranks other feasts and even takes the place of the Sundays in Ordinary Time, when it falls on Sunday. The belief that our prayers can be of assistance to the dead is a treasured tenet of our Catholic faith. We profess it every time we recite the Nicene Creed: "I look forward to the resurrection of the dead/and the life of the world to come."



The Book of the Names of the Dead

Through November a book of the Names of the Dead will be available in the church for people to include the names of their beloved deceased.



Clocks move back one hour to local standard time Sunday 3rd Nov. at 2 am

Discernment Retreat

Fri. 15th Nov. 7:00-9:00pm & Sat. 16th Nov. 9:30am-4:30pm

At the OLOM Discernment Retreat, we will gather as a community to discover where God is leading our parish. You are invited to join us on this journey of discovery. If you have any questions, contact Fr. Andrew.

Construction Update

View this week's drone footage :

<https://vimeo.com/1024568786>

Or connect via our Website, see above



Office Hours

Monday to Thursday 9:30am-3:00pm

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