

Please Join us at the Parish Center

Every Second Monday – Nov 20th

7:15 p.m.

Learn Our Faith - Education & Discussion

Nov 20th Topic – Sacramentals



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Sunday Masses: 11:00 AM & 5:00 PM

Weekday Masses:

Monday: No Mass

Tuesday: 8:00 am

Wednesday: 7:00 pm - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament,
Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help, & Benediction
(6:00 – 6:45 pm)

Thursday: 8:00 am

Friday: 7:00 pm - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Novena
to Our Lady of Perpetual Help, & Benediction (6:00 – 6:45 pm)

Saturday: 8:00 am

Confessions:

Sunday: Only before 5 pm Mass

Tuesday, Thursday, & Saturday: Before 8:00 am Mass.

Wednesday & Friday evenings: Until 6:50 pm

Also by appointment with Father Carlos

Devotions:

Sunday: **before the 11 am Mass**

Chaplet at 10:15 am, Rosary at 10:30 am

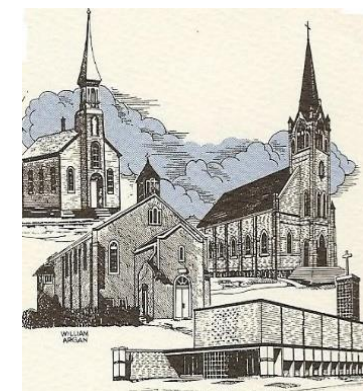
before the 5:00 pm Mass, Rosary at 4:30 pm

Before weekday morning Masses 7:15 am Divine Mercy Chaplet
and Rosary

1st Fridays of the month: All Night Vigil in honour of the Sacred
Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Mass at
7:00 pm. Confessions before and after, and Adoration until
Mass at 8:00 am on Saturday morning.

Baptism: Arrange with the pastor. Please notify six weeks
before for proper preparation

Marriage: Arrange with the pastor one year in advance



November 12, 2023

Parish Office Hours:

To be Determined

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Windows to Your Soul

Jesus told his disciples this parable: "The kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish and five were wise." Matthew 25:1-2

Our five senses can be said to be a window to our souls. With our senses we perceive the world around us, take it into our minds and heart, and engage it according to the decisions we make. Several of the Church Fathers say that the five wise virgins in today's parable represent those who use their five senses in accord with God's will, whereas the five foolish virgins are those who indulge their five senses in a life of sin.

Interestingly, Saint John of the Cross teaches that the highest form of communication with God takes place when our five senses are silenced and all that we have learned through them is darkened so that God can communicate to us in a direct and spiritual way. But until we reach that level of spiritual perfection, accomplished by various purifications of our soul, we must rely upon our senses as a source of knowledge, especially our knowledge of God.

With our eyes we are called to perceive the beauty of God's presence within creation, especially in other people. With our ears we hear the Word of God proclaimed that then resonates within us, inspiring the gift of faith. Our senses of smell, taste and touch will also teach us in various ways, leading us either to the delights of the Kingdom of God, or to the indulgences of the fallen world.

If the five wise virgins represent the holy use of the five senses, then we must see the connection between them and the oil for their lamps. Many Church Fathers see the oil as a symbol of good works, or charity. Charity is necessary for the attainment of Heaven, for the meeting of the Bridegroom when He shows up at an unexpected time. The person who engages in charity is one who uses the natural gifts given by God for His glory. Their five senses are constantly seeking ways to glorify God and to accomplish His holy will.

The five senses can also easily lead us to the selfish pursuit of fleshly pleasures. When this happens, the oil of charity runs dry within us and we are unprepared for the moment of our death, when the Bridegroom returns.

Think about yourself being those wise or foolish virgins by considering how you use your five senses. What do you look at regularly with your eyes? Do you seek out the presence of God in our world? Do you see Him in the poor, the vulnerable, the lonely, and the needy? Or do you look at the many evils all around you and become infatuated with them, allowing yourself to be drawn into their practices?

With your ears, do you listen attentively to the Word of God? Or do you find yourself drawn to the world of gossip, detraction and other sinful words that are spoken? Do you indulge your senses of touch, smell and taste, choosing an excess of pleasure, becoming inordinately attached? Or do you strive for temperance and self-control, denying yourself unhealthy and sinful pleasures?

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St. Josaphat



Josaphat is one of those figures in history caught in a web of controversy where even good people find it hard to keep their heads. He was caught in a battle between Catholic and Orthodox, Latin and Byzantine, and found himself criticized and opposed on every side: by the Orthodox for being Catholic and by the Latins for being Byzantine. He held firmly to Catholic unity against the Orthodox and just as firmly to Byzantine rights against the Latins. At that period of history, it was a no-win situation, and he is the great martyr to the cause of unity.

St. Josaphat was born in Lithuania about 1580 into a Catholic family and early promoted Catholic unity in a country divided between Orthodox and Catholic. He entered the Byzantine monastery of Holy Trinity in Vilna in 1604 and was elected Catholic archbishop of Polotsk in 1614. While clinging firmly to unity with Rome, he firmly opposed those Latins who saw unity only in Latin terms and would suppress Byzantine traditions in the name of Catholic unity. He firmly opposed the Latinization of his people and made enemies and severe critics among the Latin clergy of Poland.

Politically, the Catholic and Orthodox clergy were rivals in Lithuania, and the archbishopric of Polotsk was one of the contested sees. An Orthodox archbishop of Polotsk was appointed, and Josaphat was accused of taking office invalidly. Many of his Byzantine Catholics were won over to allegiance to Orthodoxy. Even the king of Poland wavered in his support of Josaphat, especially when Polish bishops accused him of betraying his faith by not Latinizing his diocese.

One of the hotbeds of trouble in Josaphat's diocese was Witebsk, and in November of 1623 he went there to bring about peace in his flock, preaching in the churches and trying to reconcile differences. On November 12, a mob broke into the house where he was staying, shouting hatred and violence. When he confronted them, he was struck in the head with a halberd and shot. His mangled body was dragged out and thrown into the river. He was canonized by Pope Pius IX in 1867.

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COLLECTION FOR: Nov 5th, 2023

<i>Sunday Offering</i>	\$1402.26	<i>Sunday Loose</i>	\$491.05
<i>Mass Intentions</i>	\$130.00	<i>Parking</i>	\$200.00
<i>Missalettes</i>	\$28.50	<i>Religious Class Fees</i>	\$20.00
<i>Our Lady of Perpetual Help</i>	\$5.00	<i>Building Fund</i>	\$70.00
Total Collection	\$2,346.81		

Sun	Nov 12	11:00 AM	Rest of Members Paul & Beatrice Leclaire	Leclaire Family
Tues	Nov 13	8:00 AM	Int of Rain Steranka	Steranka Family
Wed	Nov 14	7:00 PM	Our Lady of Perpetual Help	Devotees
Thurs	Nov 15	8:00 AM	+Marc & Deceased Leclaire Family Members	Leclaire Family
Fri	Nov 16	7:00 PM	In thanksgiving for Shaun Thaddeus, Mona Libeth	Albuera & Schultz family
Sat	Nov 17	8:00 AM	+ Josephine Jesathanan	Maureen Selvamohan
Sun	Nov 18	11:00 AM	Rest of Souls in Purgatory	Entwistle Family