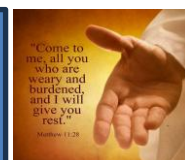




ST. ANDREW CATHOLIC CHURCH, WELLAND

31TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, NOV 1ST 2026



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Sunday readings
First Reading: Rev 7.2-4, 9-14
Second reading: 1 Jn 3.1-3
Gospel: Matthew 5.1-12a
 "Come to me, all you that are weary and heavy-burdened"

Office Hours
Friday Only
 10:00am to 2:00pm
 (Please call before visiting the office).

DONATIONS
 Kindly send a cheque, payable to St. Andrew Catholic Church, Welland
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1st Sunday
St. Andrew:
The Fisherman Called by Jesus

Scripture: Matthew 4:18-20; John 1:35-40
 St. Andrew was a fisherman from Bethsaida, a town in Galilee, and the brother of Simon Peter. Fishing was not merely a hobby for Andrew; it was his livelihood. His life would have involved hard work, long hours, fishing nets, boats, and the uncertainties of the sea. The Gospel of John tells us that Andrew was initially a disciple of John the Baptist. When John pointed to Jesus and declared Him the Lamb of God, Andrew followed Jesus and spent time with Him. Recognizing Jesus as the Messiah, Andrew immediately went to find his brother Simon and brought him to the Lord. In Matthew's Gospel, Jesus calls Andrew and Peter while they are fishing in the Sea of Galilee: "Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men." They immediately leave their nets and follow Him. Andrew's ordinary life as a fisherman becomes the beginning of an extraordinary mission. Andrew is traditionally known in the Eastern Church as the Protokletos, meaning "the First-Called," because of his early response to Jesus.

Spiritual reflection
 Jesus still calls people in the middle of their ordinary lives. We do not need to be famous, powerful, or highly educated to serve Him. Like Andrew, we need a heart ready to listen, trust, and follow. **Am I ready to leave behind anything that prevents me from following Jesus wholeheartedly?** **TO BE CONTINUED**

Annual Deo Gratias Collection
 The retirement years can be difficult for senior priests. No longer assigned to parishes, or supported by the communities they served with such dedication, these men rely on minimal CPP benefits, Old Age Security, and their monthly income from the Clergy Aid Society of St. Catharines. Next week, we will again take up the annual collection, Deo Gratias, to support our priests' retirement. Thank you in advance for your prayerful generosity.

Monday, November 2 is All Souls Day. The Catechism of the Catholic Church states, "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. We pray these souls to heaven. "Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace"

Mass intentions for the Week of Oct 31st to Nov 8th

SATURDAY October 31st – 5.00pm

Deceased of Sdao & Corona family by Maria G Sdao & family
 Maria Mazzei by Vince Bellantino & family
 Blessings for Fr. Robert Bulbrook by Janis Garel-Martel

31st SUNDAY in Ordinary Time Nov 1st – 9am

Deceased of Rozic & Lastovic Families by R&S Lastovic
 Garry Doucette by Connie & George Poll
 Wanda Austine by Margaret Blue

11am Mass : For all your intentions

SUNDAY LATE EVENING MASS – 8:15pm

For all Souls in Purgatory



MONDAY Nov 2nd – 9:30am and 7pm

For all Souls in Purgatory

TUESDAY Nov 3rd – 5pm - Mass & Adoration

Deceased members of the Valčićak & Nenadovich families by Rosemary & Steve Lastovic

WEDNESDAY Nov 4th – 9:30am

Greg Taylor by David Fox

THURSDAY Nov 5th – 5pm – Mass & Adoration

Honouring St. Lawrence by G.Pang

FRIDAY Nov 6th – 9:30 am

Jaga & Ivan Lastovic by Rosemary & Steve Lastovic

Please join us to pray the Rosary 25 min before all weekday Masses

SATURDAY November 7th – 5.00pm

Joseph Bellantino by family

Joseph Violi by Sara Violi

Maria, Tony, & Connie Mazzei by Carmelo Mazzei & family

Tomaso & Gimi Di Gioia by Teresa Di Gioia

32st SUNDAY in Ordinary Time Nov 8th – 9am

Conrad & Jean-Luc Lemelin by wife & mother

Patricia Young Semenuk by Margaret Blue

Thomas & Martin Pereira by Serena Britto

11am Mass : For all your intentions

SUNDAY LATE EVENING MASS – 8:15pm

Honouring St. Hilary by G.Pang

Blessed are the poor, for your Reward is great in Heaven Mt 5:1-12

Weekday Evening Confessions are available Tuesday to Friday from 8:00-9:00pm

Last Week's Collection (ET included)

Sunday Offerings - \$ 1629.25
 Repair & Renovations - \$ 340.00
 Mission Sunday - \$ 100.00

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