Church of the Most Holy Redeemer

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31st Sunday in Ordinary Time November 4, 2018

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SUNDAY OFFERING
Sunday Oct. 21st Offering: \$4,024.00
Evangelization of Nations: \$135.00
October Capital Expenditures: \$3137.00
Your generosity is appreciated. Thank you!

REFLECTIONA pumpkin story: "What is it like to be a Christian

saint?" "It is like being a Halloween pumpkin. God picks you from the field, brings you in, and washes all the dirt off you. Then he cuts off the top and scoops out the yucky stuff. He removes the pulp of impurity and injustice and seeds of doubt, hate, and greed. Then He carves you a new smiling face and puts His light of holiness inside you to shine for the entire world to see." This is the Christian idea behind the carved pumpkins during the Halloween season. Halloween and All Saints' Day. All Saints Day is a universal Christian feast honoring all Christian saints – known and unknown. The feast is celebrated by the Catholic, Orthodox, Lutheran, and Anglican churches. "Halloween," celebrated in the United States, England, Ireland and France on the eve of the Day of All Saints, got its name from "All Hallows Eve" or the vigil of All Saints Day. The Celtic people, who lived in England, Scotland, Wales, Ireland and northern France before the Christian era, believed that their god of death (Samhain) would allow the souls of the dead to return to their homes for a festal visit on this day. People also believed that ghosts, witches, goblins and elves came to harm the people, particularly those who had inflicted harm on them in this life. The Druid priests built a

huge bonfire of sacred oak branches and offered animal and even human sacrifice to protect people from marauding evil spirits on the eve of Samhain feast. This belief led to the ritual practice of wandering about in the dark dressed in costumes indicating ghosts, witches, hobgoblins, fairies and demons. But some historians believe that the pumpkin-carving and trick-or-treating are recent customs, reminiscent of Irish harvest festivals, brought to the United States by Catholic immigrants from Ireland and England.

- Father Joseph

Weekday Masses & Intentions for Nov. 5 - Nov. 11

Mon: 9:00 Jack Chipman†, and Diane Sherry Tues: 9:00 Intentions of Parishioners

2:00 No intentions (Garden Home)

Wed: 9:00 Joan Hickey† and DFM

Thurs: 9:00 No intentions Fri: 9:00 Marie Driscoll†

10:30 No Intentions (501 Queen)

Sat: 4:00 Evelyn & Albon Murphy, Arlene Doucette, and Peggy Dowling† & Dennis Dowling

Sun. 9:00 No intentions

11:00 Intentions of the Parishioners

Gift Bearers

4:00pm: Kay & Billy Prosper 9:00am: Sister Sue & CCSA group 11:00am: Sister Sue & CCSA group

Altar Servers

4:00 Kim & Eric Ngo

9:00 Tiernan Dewar; Abby Peters; Cole Peters & Minh Chou

11:00 Hy Tran; Hannah MacLean; Natalie; Daisy Vu & Minh Khoi Tran

Parish Prayers: Place your prayer request in the Pray Box or contact, in confidence: Betty Doucette, at 628-1782 or Fr. Joseph: 628-9463.

Anyone who would like to receive Communion and/or a visit from either Fr. Joseph or a lay pastoral person, please contact the church office or Father Joseph directly at 902-628-9463.

Holy Redeemer Catechism Program: There will be <u>NO Catechism</u> Sun., Nov. 4 for grades 2-4. There will be sessions for grades 5-8 in the Parish Office and for the Grade 9 – Confirmation Group at 6:30 PM in the Hall.

SENIORS DINNER for Nov. will be on Tues., Nov. 6th; serving will begins 4:30 PM. The meal will be Roast Turkey with all the trimmings for \$13.00. <u>Tickets</u> will be available after the Masses this weekend.

PRACTICES FOR THE CHRISTMAS CHOIR for the Candlelight Carol Service will begin on Sun., Nov. 4th at 1:30 PM in the church. This year's Candlelight Service will be held on Sun., December 16th at 7:30 PM. Anyone who would like to sing in this choir are more than welcome to attend.

The CWL "Praise The Lord In Song": Many thanks to all who came out to support and enjoy the successful concert last Sun. A special thanks goes out to all the performers and those who worked so diligently to bring the concert to you. Our gift basket winner was Helen Leslie & the Afghan was won by Jean O'Brien.

Old Time Rock 'n Roll Fall Dance with Dino and Friends 8-11PM, Saturday, November 10 at the Jack Blanchard Family Centre. Admission \$10.00.

CWL Notice: Our regular monthly meeting will be held on Mon., Nov. 5th at 7:00 in the Hall. Our guest speaker will be Pat Wiedemer, executive director of the PEI Right to Life Assoc. All are invited to attend. St. Vincent de Paul: We are looking for gently used and cleaned winter clothing for all ages to fill our clothing room. Items can be dropped off on Tues. or Thurs. afternoons at the Hall. If these times are not convenient for you, you can leave items at the office.

AROUND THE DIOCESE

DEVELOPMENT and PEACE CARITAS CANADA are

joining forces with Pope Francis and Caritas Internationalis by inviting Canadians to share the journey with those people living the tragedy of forced migration. HOPE is the drive to share the journey of life. This weekend all parishioners will be invited to sign an Action Card addressed to the Prime Minister, in solidarity with those forced to flee their homes. It is important to address the root causes of forced migration. Please make time to read the pamphlet "Share the Journey". For more info see devp.org/backgrounder.

GENERAL RETREAT: with Fr. Danny Wilson at Our Lady of Hope Retreat centre on the weekend of January 18-20, 2019. Theme to be announced. **Book early to avoid disappointment.** The cost per person is \$137.50 (HST included). Call the Centre to reserve your spot – 902-621-2385 / 902-388-1952.

Theology on Tap: as we remember the 100th anniversary of the World War I armistice, Dr. Mark McGowan, Professor of History, University of Toronto will speak on "The Roman Catholic Church and the Great War: Ideas of Peace, Patriotism, and the Paschal Mystery." Presented by the SDU Institute of Christianity and Culture. Join us on Wed., Nov. 7th 2018, 7 pm, at the Pourhouse, 189 Great George Street. We look forward to seeing you!

PEI Right to Life Assoc. will be holding the annual peaceful LIFE CHAIN this Sun., Nov. 4 from 2-4 pm,

peaceful **LIFE CHAIN this** Sun., Nov. 4 from 2-4 pm, meeting at the UPEI Chaplaincy Center, rain or shine. Please take the time to come and witness to the value of all human life.

Collection Counters Needed: If interested please contact the church office at 902-894-7385 or email rpdunn@eastlink.ca There will be a rotating schedule prepared once we have enough counters.

Application Forms available for the 2019-20 Catholic Women's Leadership Foundation Program. The Certificate program, facilitated by the Providence School of Transformational Leadership and Spirituality at Saint Paul University (Ottawa) runs May 2019 to June 2020, with both face to face and online courses. Info at www.cwlfcanada.ca. Application deadline is Nov. 9, 2018. Next Sunday, Nov. 11 Our two regular Masses will be held at 9:00 and 11:00 as usual. In Remembrance we will stand for one minute of silence prior to the start of the 11:00 Mass. At sun down all bells including Holy Redeemer Parish's bell will be rung in acknowagment of the 100 years since the WWI armistice.

JACK BLANCHARD FAMILY CENTRE (HR Parish Centre):

For your Banquets, Meetings, Receptions, Wedding Receptions, Funeral Receptions, Birthday Parties, and Workshops. Catering/Bar Service available. Call Jennifer at (902)330-8862 or email jencheverie@hotmail.com

Mass Readings for November 11, 2018

1st Reading: 1 Kings 17.10-16 2nd Reading: Hebrews 9.24-28 Gospel: Mark 12.38-44

Coming together, believing in one another.