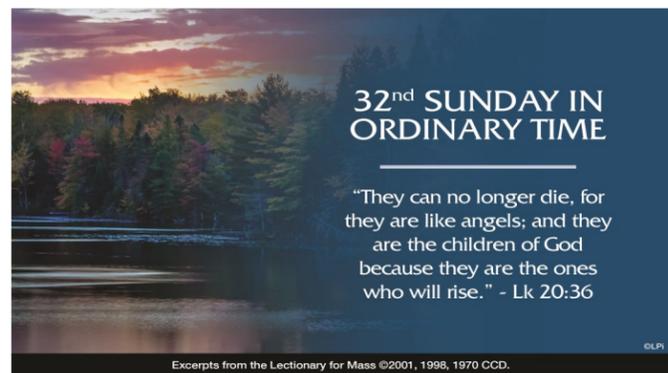


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Sunday, November 10th, 2019



Sat. Nov 9	9-10am	Confessions
	4 -4:45pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Confession Confirmation
	5:00pm	✠ Stephen Bozik (Veronica & John Douglas)
Sun. Nov 10	9:30am	✠ Marty Marin (Mike & Anne Young)
		✠ Martin Smith (Jim & Mary Smith)
	11:00am	Missa Pro Populo
Mon. Nov 11	9:30am	Mass cancelled
	7-8pm	Holy Hour & Confessions Cancelled
Tues. Nov 12	9:30am	Mass cancelled
Wed. Nov 13	9:30am	Mass Cancelled
Thurs. Nov 14	9:30am	Mass Cancelled
Fri. Nov 15	9:30am	✠ Cody Duggan (Racz Family)
Sat. Nov 16	9-10am	Confessions
	4 -4:45pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Confessions
	5:00pm	✠ Martin Nenadovich (Rosemary & Steve Lastovic)
Sun. Nov 17	9:30am	Missa Pro Populo
	11:00am	✠ Souls in Purgatory (Gerard & Delores Kennedy)

Reconciliation from 9-9:20am before all weekday Masses.

Offertory November 3rd & 4th, 2019

71 Envelopes	\$2,230.00
Loose Collection	\$ 84.50
Total Offertory	\$2,314.50
All Souls	\$ 90.00
Maintenance	\$ 307.00

Confirmation 2019: This weekend on Saturday, November 9th, during the 5pm Mass, our students received the Sacrament of Confirmation administered by His Excellency Most Reverend Gerard Bergie, Bishop of St. Catharines. Please remember them and their families in your prayers.

A reminder- Our website domain name has changed to the following: www.stannfenwick.com

Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Some Saducees, those who deny that there is a resurrection, came forward and put this question to Jesus ..." In this Sunday's Gospel, the Saducees avoid their real question. Is there a resurrection from the dead or not? Rather than ask this question point blank, the Saducees try to prove their point through a roundabout, unrealistic scenario. Jesus cuts straight to the question behind the question, citing Scripture passages relating to the resurrection. The Saducees are trying to trick Jesus. While we may not intend to stump God, our doubts and questions may have more in common with the Saducees than we care to admit. Doubts are part and parcel of life in a fallen world. Still, there are different



ways we can word our doubts to ourselves, God, and others. When we're struggling, truly struggling, about some article of faith, do we admit it? Or do we cloak it with other, obtuse questions to hide the nature of our concern?

Have you considered leaving the Church over the hypocrisy of some of her members and leaders? Perhaps the real question is: "How can a place blessed by God and instituted by Christ have this evil in it? Can I reconcile with the concept that an institution has an admixture of good and bad? What do I expect from others, from myself? What responsibility do I have to try and remedy evil in an institution I'm part of?" Perhaps you've wondered about the nature of romantic love, and if God is love, does He really care so much about the details of this particular scenario? Perhaps the real question is: "Can my mind wrap around the concept of a God whose law seems — on the surface, in this situation — to make people unhappy? What is the relationship between the moral law and human flourishing?" These aren't easy questions, but they are more honest ones. This week, don't be afraid of your deeper questions! Bring them to God, to someone you trust, and to yourself.



Lighting of the Advent Wreath: The First Sunday of Advent will be on the weekend of **November 30th/December 1st.** Families or individuals are asked to volunteer to light the candles during each of the weekend Masses of Advent. The sign up sheet is at the back of the

church. You may choose a Mass during any of those weekends. The four candles of the Advent Wreath represent the period of waiting during the four weeks of Advent, which themselves symbolize four centuries of waiting between the prophet Malachi and the birth of Christ. There are three purple candles and one rose candle. The purple candles represent the royalty and majesty of Jesus Christ as King of Kings. Purple also represents prayer, pertinence, and preparation. The rose candle (Candle of Joy) is lit on the third Sunday of Advent, also called Gaudete Sunday. Advent is a time for preparing the Way for Christ, as we await Christmas and the Birth of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Saviour.

Please support the Deo Gratias Collection of November 16/17, 2019. All revenue will go to our Clergy Aid Society. We are grateful to God, and to our retired clergy in the Diocese of St. Catharines who, from the time of their ordination, have cared for us and our spiritual needs. In thanksgiving to God for them and their years of faithful service, your generous support of the Deo Gratias collection will enable us to care for those who have dedicated their lives to caring for us. The revenue from this collection does not go into an endowment fund but goes directly to the Clergy Aid Society which provides an income for our retired clergy. **Envelopes are in your offertory boxes or you may use a plain envelope. If donating by cheque, please make it payable to "St. Ann Parish."** Thank you.

Catholic Women's League

The Annual Bazaar will take place Nov. 16th., 9am-1pm. Items for the various venues are needed.....

Christmas Gift Baskets— Donations of new items with a theme (or not) which volunteers can use to make gift baskets. Please bring to the church (**unwrapped**) no later than November 13th. If you would like to wrap your basket, please be sure that only **NEW ITEMS are included. If you have empty baskets you don't use, donations would be welcome.**

Silent Auction & Penny Sale—Drop off any time during office hours or after Masses. Put on tables in church hall. **NEW ITEMS ONLY PLEASE.**

Gift Table—Small items (**NEW**) which can be sold separately. Mugs, frames, teacher gifts, etc. Do not have to be wrapped.

Bake Table & Produce —Drop off items on Friday, November 15th or early Saturday morning.

LUNCH WILL SERVED FROM 10:30-1- Home Made soups, Sausage on a Bun with Sauerkraut & Onions.

PIEROGIES FOR SALE: Don't miss out! They go fast!! \$7/dozen or 3 for \$20.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THE DAY OF THE BAZAAR. A SIGN UP SHEET HAS BEEN PLACED AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH. Set up for the event will be on Wed. Nov. 13th at 9am. Any assistance on this day would be welcome! The CWL thanks everyone for their support!

NEW THIS YEAR.....On Thursday, Nov. 14th, from 3-5pm, we invite the parents, children and staff of St. Ann School to attend the bazaar for children's games and an opportunity to do some early Christmas shopping. Pierogies will also be available to purchase. This is a parish and community event and we hope many will respond to the invitation.

CWL Membership fees are now due. Envelopes are in your offertory boxes dated Nov. 3rd or you may use a plain envelope. FEES ARE \$25.



"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God!" (Matthew 5.9)

Today we try to remember. We remember the victims of war and all those who have died to help bring freedom and to help make the world a better place to live in. **Prayer.....**O God, our ruler and guide, In whose hands are the destinies of this and every nation, We give you thanks for the freedoms we enjoy in this land, and for those who laid down their lives to defend them. We pray that we and all people, gratefully remembering their courage and their sacrifice, may have the grace to live in a spirit of justice, of generosity, and of peace, Through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen...

.....At the going down of the sun and in the morning, we will remember them.....

Young Adults, ages 19-39, are invited to attend the next monthly **FEED YOUR FAITH FRIDAY** being held on **November 29, 2019** at the Catholic Centre, 3400 Merriville Highway, Thorold beginning at 6:00 pm. Join us for supper, faithful discussions, and prayer. For more information, call Terri at 905-684-0154,#209 or check out the Diocesan Facebook page.

Parish Calendar

Nov 9th.....	Confirmation 5pm
Nov 11th.....	Holy Hour Cancelled
Nov 11th-14th....	Weekday Masses cancelled
Nov 14th.....	Bingo cancelled
Nov 14th.....	3-5pm—CWL Bazaar open house for St. Ann School community
Nov 16th.....	CWL Bazaar 9am-1pm
Nov 17th....	Special Collection— Deo Gratias
Nov 24th....	Christ the King
Nov 23/24....	2020 Offertory boxes available to pick up

First Sunday of Advent.....December 1st.
Youth Ministry Wednesday evenings 6:30-8:30pm. All Youth in Grades 5-12 are invited to attend.
Bingo every Thursday 7pm in the parish hall. All are welcome!

St. Joseph 2020 Missals— If you would like one for your personal use, they will be available to purchase **this weekend-** \$3 each. If you are a lector or musician, please take one at no cost.



On Saturday, November 23rd, join Branches Catholic Ministries at the Scotiabank Convention Centre in Niagara Falls, Ontario as it hosts **Regenerated 2019** with an urgent theme, "You are Called". Keynote speakers will address the responsibility each of us has to discern this and how urgently we must heed the call! **Regenerated Youth** will run concurrently for ages 12 to 18. If you are interested in purchasing tickets or for more info about these conferences visit: branchesoftheword.org or call Branches at 905-685-7000

Reasons to Attend

- To grow in your understanding of relevant topics to our Catholic faith
- To challenge your own doubts and misgivings about Church teaching
- To experience the excitement of your faith in a dynamic setting
- To be regenerated and allow God to speak to your heart
- To "Get Connected" with your Catholic family

We come to be educated. We come to be regenerated.

Kindergarten Open House and Online Registration 2019:

November is Kindergarten Registration month across Niagara Catholic. Open House at St. Ann School will be **Wed., November 20th, 2019 from 9am-6pm. 905-892-3942.** Online registration is available throughout the school year and through the board website or by visiting the school.



Cathedral Appeal: It has now been six months since we launched our Cathedral Appeal, and as of October 31, 2019, our appeal has raised \$532,442.19 in cash donations and \$132,009.35 in pledges. This brings our total raised to **\$664,451.54** or 55% of our \$1,200,000 goal. We continue to thank God for the generosity of so many. Could this be the time that you too play a part in this historic event and undertaking in our diocese? Visit us on the web at www.saintcd.com/appeal or pick up a brochure and pledge form in your church today. May God bless you! **Our own parish to date has donated \$5350.** Donations can be made at any time through to next year.

