REFLECTIONS ON THE WORD

AM I A HYPOCRITE ?

Someone I respect and admire greatly once said: "Be careful who you listen to because you might end up with their results." Looking back, I think we can all recall a time where someone tried to give us advice on a certain subject, and we knew this person did not follow their own advice, and we've thought to ourselves "Gee that person is a

hypocrite". Often, I found myself in that situation, especially at work, probably since I was the youngest one employed there. I always found myself torn to receive such advice. especially knowing the giver of said advice didn't follow it. I would ask myself: "Are they trying to help me or simply trying to impose their way of thinking? Do I listen to their advice or choose to ignore it because I know he/she doesn't follow it?" You see, we as people tend to hold ourselves accountable based on our intentions and others accountable based on their actions. So I guess the real question I should have asked my self is: "Do I listen to the message or do I listen to the messenger?"

Most of us are familiar with the line "Don't do what I do, do what I say." The beauty of today's gospel is when we heard Jesus say: "do whatever they teach you and follow it; but do not do as they do for they do not practice what they teach." To me, Jesus' message is clear: follow the message, not the messenger; for in this gospel, Jesus is giving us the freedom to hear the message without the external expectations imposed on us by the messenger, so that we do not conform to the messenger's will. We also heard: "As for you, do not be called 'Rabbi. 'You have but one teacher, and you are all brothers", and "The greatest among you must be your servant. Whoever exalts himself will be humbled; but whoever humbles himself will be exalted." I interpret these to mean that all Jesus wants for us is to remember that we should not seek the admiration of people, for we are all equals. He wants us to remember that when we do or say anything, we should first and foremost, do it for God's glory.

Writing this reflection has given me a lot of time to think about how I could put into action what Matthew's gospel is teaching. I can remember several times in my life where I would say: "I'm not a hypocrite". This reflection has taught me that I have been, albeit, unintentionally. Hypocrisy is defined as: the practice of claiming to have moral standards or beliefs to which one's own behavior does not conform. I have said that I put God first in my life but realistically I haven't. It's been easy to say that I put God first, but have I done so with my actions? There have been times where something comes up that distracts me from either prayer, or attending Mass. Every Sunday at Mass, do I take the time to really listen to the message? When I see someone in need, do I really take the time to help as best I can? Am I striving to conform my character to God's? It seems like such an impossible standard, but have I even tried? Hearing and reading this gospel made me realise that what I want more then anything is to stop being a hypocrite. I will strive to be intentional with my faith and place God at the forefront of my thoughts and my actions.



November 5th 2017 **Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time**



Saint Augustine's 340 Dominion Street Moncton, NB

PASTORAL MINISTRY TEAM

Priest-Moderator: Rev. Allison Carroll

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Claire Hachev Liturgy: Justice and Solidarity: Marilyn McCleary

REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE—HEURES DES MESSES

St. Augustine's: Friday—12:00 noon

Saturday—4:00 p.m.; Sunday 11:00 a.m.

St. Lawrence O'Toole: Sunday —9:00 a.m.; dimanche—9h00

Our Lady of Mercy: Saturday 7:00 p.m.



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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday 9:00 a.m. to 12:00, 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Faith Development-Children: Eileen Caissie

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St. Lawrence O'Toole Cemetery: Linda Evans 389-9300

Ray of Hope Needy Kitchen: 857-4224

St. Vincent de Paul Society: 857-2088

Meals served: Monday to Friday 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon Our Ladv of Mercv 11 St. Andrews Street Pointe-du-Chêne, NB

Katy Mahoney

Clothing Depot Hours: Monday, Wednesday and Friday 10:30 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.

Daily Readings

Monday Romans 11:29-36; Luke 14:12-14

Tuesday Romans 12:5-16; Luke 14:15-24

Wednesday Romans 13:8-10; Luke 14:25-33

Thursday Feast: Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; John 2:13-22

Friday Memorial: St. Leo the Great Romans 15:14-21; Luke 16:1-8

Saturday Memorial: St. Martin of Tours

Romans 16:3-9, 16, 22-27; Luke 16:9-15

Sunday Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary time

Wisdom 6:12-16; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18; Matthew 25:1-13

Saint Lawrence O'Toole's SOCK TREE is now up in the entrance of the church and we are looking for warm socks for all ages. Please help decorate and hang them on the tree. A basket will also be available for mittens and hats. All articles will be distributed to the needy.



The Catholic Women's League **MITTEN TREE** will be available at St. Augustine's until

November 26th for mitten decorating. The
mittens will then be distributed to local school
children. Thank you in advance for your
generosity.



HEARTFELT PRAYERS
AND CONGRATULATIONS
are extended to <u>RITA</u>
MELANSON on the occasion
of her 90th birthday Monday,
November 6th.

NOT AS IT SEEMS—Immaculate Heart of Mary Church will hold their annual Dinner Theatre Church Fundraiser on Saturday, November 25th with a repeat performance on Sunday, Nov 26th, with both at 6:00 p.m. It's a roast beef dinner with all the trimmins', coffee, tea and dessert for \$25.00. For tickets, contact Helen Vaughan at 386-2071.

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church LUNCHEON AND CARD PARTY will be held <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>November 7th</u>. Enjoy some great cards, great friends and food! For information, call Anne at 872-4906.



All are invited to offer their best wishes to **Fr. Denis Belliveau**, on the occasion of his **25TH YEAR OF PRIESTHOOD** on <u>Sunday November 12th</u>, at the Patrice LeBlanc Room at 91, Murphy Street, (next to the Notre-Dame-de-la-Paix Church, from 2:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m.

	MASS INTENTIONS					
Sat	4	4:00 p.m.	St. A	Special Intention	Deirdre	
		7:00 p.m.	OLM	Late Jacques Lemay	Wife Maureen	
Sun	5	9:00 a.m.	St. L O'T	Late Donald Cliff	Giselle Bastarache	
		11:00 a.m.	St. A	Late Roger Bourque Jr.	Steve and Patsy Murray	
Fri	10	12:00 noon	St. A	Deceased Priests Worldwide	Margaret Giroux	
Sat	11	4:00 p.m.	St. A	Deceased CWL Members	St. Augustine's CWL	
		7:00 p.m.	OLM	Late Reg Leger	Wife Jean	
Sun	12	9:00 a.m.	St. L O'T	Deceased Members of Lowry Family	Family	
		11:00 a.m.	St. A	Anniversary Late Lucy Laviolette	Claude and Family	
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LAST WEEK'S OFFERINGS



Saint Augustine's: Envelopes: \$3,844.00 (187 env); Loose: \$623.00 Building Fund: \$50.00 (4 env.); Candles: \$135.00; World Mission Sunday: \$80.00 (3 env.); All Souls: \$420.00 (27 env); Donation: \$110.00; Pre-

Authorized Payments: \$1388.00 (38 env.).

Saint Lawrence O'Toole: Envelopes: **\$530.00** (34 env.); Loose: **\$74.60**; All Souls: **\$10.00**; Cemetery Upkeep: **\$20.00**; Pre-Authorized: **\$30.00** (2 env.).

Our Lady of Mercy: Envelopes: \$705.00 (36 env.); Loose: \$148.60; Candles: \$119.00; World Mission Sunday \$20.00; Pre-Authorized:\$20.00 (1 env.)



ARCHBISHOP VALERY VIENNEAU will be the speaker at the FALL CONFERENCE OF THE CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC RENEWAL being held at St. Jude's Church in Salisbury Friday, November 17th from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. and Saturday, November 18th from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Archbishop Vienneau will speak on the theme of Our Walk With Jesus: as our Lord and Savior; as our Good Shepherd; as the Way and the Truth; as the Resurrection and the Life; and as the Bread of Life. Mass at 6:30 p.m. Saturday followed by healing prayer. Registration \$20.00; Bag lunch at noon. For information call Mary 855-8330 or Roberta 386-5175.

DEEPEST SYMPATHY is extended to Geordie MacDonald and Family on the death of his wife Sheila Currie, whose funeral was celebrated at St. Augustine's on Friday. May she rest forever in the loving embrace of the Lord!



A PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND will take place October 15th to 24th, 2018. An INFORMATION SESSION will be held at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church on Sunday, November 19th at 2:00 p.m. For information and to reserve a place for the meeting, please call Travel Consultant, Liliana Trail at 386-8954 or Fr. Phil Mulligan at 386-6737.

From the Offices of Faith Development, Liturgy and Youth Faith Development

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The next **THEOLOGY ON TAP** for young adults 19-39 will take place this <u>Sunday</u>, <u>November 5th</u> at 3:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. It is facilitated by Karen LeBlanc and Claudette Derdaele from Immaculate Heart of Mary parish, and is entitled "And God Saw That It Was Good". We will meet in the parking lot of Immaculate Heart of Mary in Riverview and then proceed to the Mill Creek area for the session. Participants are asked to bring with them their own mug, and to dress for the weather (will need durable footwear such as boots).

PARISH CATECHETICAL COORDINATORS will meet Monday, November 6th at 6:00 p.m. at the Diocesan Offices on 45 York Street.

The **BOOKS FOR BREAKFAST** selection for young adults 19-39 will be *Little Bee*, by Chris Cleave. It is a dual narrative about a Nigerian asylumseeker and a British magazine editor. The novel examines the treatment of refugees by the asylum system, as well as issues of British colonialism, globalization, political violence and personal accountability. We will meet to discuss the book on <u>Saturday</u>, <u>November 25th</u> at 10:00 a.m., location TBA.



ADULT FAITH COMMISSION will meet <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>November 8th</u> at 6:30p.m. at the Diocesan Offices.



GOSPEL OF MARK: the Puzzling Story of Jesus

On December 3rd we begin a new liturgical year in the Church and for the following 12 months will hear the Good News of Jesus Christ told primarily through the eyes of the writer of Mark's Gospel.

Join Dr. Andrew Wilson on <u>Saturday, November 25th</u> at Holy Family Church Hall from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. as he delves into such questions as: Who is Mark's Jesus? As the earliest Gospel, does Mark get us closest to the Jesus of history? Cost of the session is \$12.00. Dr. Wilson is a frequent and popular presenter for the Office of Faith Development. He is associate professor of Religious Studies at Mount Allison University. Pre-registration is necessary by November 22nd, and may be done by contacting Ellen. Lunch will be provided.



St. Augustine's Faith Development families will gather in the church basement:

Level 1 -3	9:15 a.m.	Session #5 Session #6	Sunday, November 12th Sunday, November 26th
Level 4-6	12:15 p.m.	Session #5 Session #6	Sunday, November 12th Sunday, November 26th
Level 4-6	6:30 p.m.	Session #5 Session #6	Tuesday, November 14th Tuesday, November 28th

La **SESSION DE FAMILLE** à St. Lawrence O'Toole pour les familles francophone est cédulé au soussol de l'église <u>dimanche</u>, <u>le 5 novembre</u> à 10h00.

English **FAMILY SESSIONS AT ST. LAWRENCE O'TOOLE** will be held on <u>November 12th and 26th</u> at 10:00a.m.

HOSPICE GREATER MONCTON



is looking for volunteers who would like to work with clients with a life-threatening illness and their families in their homes or at the hospital to offer support and rolief

Hospice Volunteers support and relief in a trying time. We are offering a 9 module training for new volunteers starting on November 15, 2017. Volunteering can be done in your community, Greater Moncton area or rural surrounding areas. Please contact Debbie Landry-Jaillet, Community Coordinator at (506)383-2404 or volunteer@hospicegm.ca to register or for more information.



ST. LAWRENCE O'TOOLE will once again be taking part in the Bazaar at St. Augustine's Church Saturday, November 18th. The theme this year is CHRISTMAS! Our participation is a fund raiser for our church. Donations of home baking, preserves, knitting and Christmas gift items would be appreciated. There will also be a draw on a Memory Box. All items can be dropped off at St. Lawrence O'Toole rectory on Friday, November 17th between 3:00p.m. and 7:00p.m.



QUEEN OF ALL SAINTS PARISH

<u>Tuesdays</u>

1:30 p.m.—St. Augustine's: Adoration and Rosary

Thursdays

7:00 p.m.—St. Lawrence O'Toole: Adoration, Silence, Prayers for Vocations

Sunday November 5th

Saint Lawrence O'Toole: Session de Famille

Tuesday November 7th

7:00 p.m. St. Augustine's Church Basement: **CWL Regular meeting**

Tuesday, November 7th

10:00 a.m.—St. Lawrence O'Toole Church: St. Lawrence O'Toole Local Pastoral Council

Sunday November 12th

9:15a.m.— St. Augustine's: Faith Development

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Sunday November 12th

10:00a.m. Saint Lawrence O'Toole: Family Session

Monday November 13th

1:00p.m.—4:00p.m.—St. Augustine's **Senior Adults Group**, Fr. Peter McKee Room

Monday November 13th

6:30p.m.—St. Augustine's Church: Confirmation Gathering

Tuesday November 14th

6:30 p.m.— St. Augustine's: **Faith Development**

Saturday, November 18th

8:30 a.m.—St. Augustine's: **CWL Christmas Bazaar**



QUEEN OF ALL SAINTS SENIORS GROUP

extends an invitation to Seniors and Retirees for an afternoon of socializing, board games or cards on Monday, November 13th from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. The elevator will be available for this gathering which is held in the Fr. Peter McKee room in St. Augustine's Church basement. For information, contact Debbie at 384-8431.

ST. AUGUSTINE'S CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE will meet in St. Augustine's basement on Tuesday, November 7th at 7:00 p.m.



St. Augustine's Catholic Women's League is reminding members that it is time once again to pay our annual membership dues. You may pay at the monthly meeting or simply put the \$25.00 in an envelope clearly marked **CWL DUES**. Don't forget to include your name!

The **St. Vincent de Paul Society** wants to thank all the Parishioners who supported the Fall Fundraiser. Once again it was very successful. Your continuing support allows us to help the needy of our community.

Special thanks is in order for the many dedicated volunteers who worked tirelessly to make this such a worthwhile event.

> Jim Fenwick Director



St. Augustine's Church

Saturday, November 18th 9:00 a.m.—2:30 p.m.

CAFÉ FRICOT sponsored by The Ray of Hope Kitchen \$8.00

MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

In the Church, the reform of Vatican II has refined and reinvigorated a long-standing Catholic tradition: November is a month-long celebration of the communion of saints, of remembrance and prayer for those gone before us, and of heightened anticipation of Christ's second coming.

During the month of November, St. Augustine's, and St. Lawrence O'Toole will each have their **BOOK OF THE DEAD** on display. On the pages provided, parishioners are encouraged to write the names of loved ones who have died, if they have not already done so.

The names of loved ones previously written in the Book of the Dead remain listed from year to year and continue to be in our thoughts and prayers.

On <u>Monday, November 20th</u> at 7:00 p.m., we will gather at St. Augustine's Church to pray for our loved ones who have died in the past twelve months. Everyone is invited to attend this liturgy and the reception that will be held in the church basement following the mass.

