

The great commandment.
Matthew 22: 34-40

The definition of hope

In March 2008 Christopher Gregory died suddenly from a ruptured aneurism. He was 19 years old.

His parents were devastated. In the awful, bewildering hours following their son's death, they were asked to consider donating his organs. But Chris had already answered that question: just the week before he had innocently mentioned that he wished to be a donor. Their decision to donate simply affirmed their son's generosity.

Three months later, they received a letter: "I cannot possibly imagine the grief caused by your loss," it read. "Certainly, there are no words anyone can say or write to extinguish that pain. Nevertheless, you have shared with me the grandest gift I will ever receive - the gift of life."

Chris' parents eventually met the writer whose life was saved by their son's lungs. They would go on to meet the four other people who were given second chances by Christopher's gift. Chris' mom and dad have since become advocates for the Donor Network of Arizona.

Chris' father, Eric, writes in **America** Magazine [June 12, 2017]: "The experience of losing Christopher, but knowing his death meant life for five others, changed me in ways I never thought possible. I learned that it's possible to see God in all things, even tragedy. The more I learned about the science of organ transplantation, the more confident I have become in the existence of God. I learned that the butterfly effect is real, that something as seemingly inconsequential as checking a box while applying for a driver's license can have a tremendous effect years later and miles away . . . Most of all, in the face of division and distrust in the world today, I learned that how we treat one another matters. If the heart of a 19-year-old white boy beating inside the chest of a 65-year-old black man does not give us hope, then I do not know what hope is."

To love with our whole heart and soul and mind enables us to move beyond our fears and hurts in order to comfort, to forgive, to welcome back. Jesus reveals the mystery of the God of Supreme and Omnipotent Power loving his creation so completely and so selflessly - and all that God seeks in return is that such love be shared by his people throughout his creation. The generosity of heart of people like Chris and those who make possible the gift of organ donations is centered in the love of the "great commandment" of Jesus' Gospel: to love with the same selfless compassion, care and completeness of God who created us.

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Sacred Heart Parish

A Stewardship Parish in Love with Christ



Parish Information

Parish Administrator: Monsignor Jim Robertson

Office Hours: Mon, Wed, 9:00 am to 1:00 pm

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Weekend Masses: Saturday 4:30 pm, Sunday 11:00 am

Reconciliation: Wednesday after Mass, or by request

Mass During the Week: Tues at 7:00 pm Wed, Thurs, Fri at 10:00 am
First Fridays - 2:00 pm at the Lohnes Complex

Holy Hour of Adoration: Third Sunday of the Month at 2 p.m.

Marriages: Six months' notice is required. A year's notice is recommended.

Baptisms: Please call the Parish Office to schedule preparation session.

October 29, 2017

30th Sunday of Ordinary Time

RECEIVED WITH THANKS (October 21 & 22)

Regular Collection	1151.05
Building Fund	30.00
Votive Candles	45.00
Sunday Missal Sales	20.00
In Memoria	450.00
Mass Stipends	60.00
Baptism Certificate	10.00
World Mission Sunday	357.00

MASS INTENTIONS

Oct 30	No Mass
Oct 31	Roy Reid
Nov 1	Joseph & Margaret Jennex
Nov 2	All Souls Day
Nov 3	James Park
Nov 4	Maureen Connolly
Nov 5	Parish Community

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Readers	Eucharistic Ministers
November 4	
Dennis Bruce Lynette Taylor	Joan Penney Eileen Moore Gerard Brake
November 5	
Anna House Sherry Lynn Brake	Wayne Dicks Barbara Neville Amelia Dicks
Communion to the Sick – Joan Penney	

ALL SOULS DAY

There will be a special mass on Thursday, November 2nd at 7pm to commemorate the Feast of the Faithful Departed – All Souls Day. Envelopes are available in the church for you to list the names of the faithful departed you wish to have prayed for during this month. Completed envelopes can be placed in the basket in front of the altar for the mass on November 2nd.

FALL FUNDRAISING IS IN THE AIR!**FALL VARIETY CONCERT**

The date is set in stone!

Friday, November 3th at 7:30pm
Sacred Heart Elementary Auditorium.

Admission is \$5 at the door.

This year's line-up includes:
 Allen's Road, Joe Lynch, Veronica Payne,
 Mike Griffin, Bill Brake and
 The Griffins & Friends

THANK YOU - To everyone who supported the Craft Sale and Cabbage Roll Supper.

BINGO BINGO BINGO BINGO

Please remember our parish merchandise Bingo will take place this Sunday, October 29th at 2pm

COMMEMORATION OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed, more commonly referred to as All Souls Day, is observed annually on November 2. This is a day set aside for honoring the dead and praying for the souls of the faithful departed; it is not a holy day of obligation.

MASS STIPENDS / INTENTIONS

We currently have very few mass intentions on our books. This is a good time to schedule masses for our departed family members and friends. As well, there is always a need to have masses for those who are sick. Pick call the parish office to schedule masses.

BIBLE STUDY The group will meet in the Church archive room on **Monday, October 30 at 7pm**. We welcome newcomers to join us in 'breaking open the Word'

RECITATION OF THE ROSARY Our Ladies Group will be reciting the rosary **each Tuesday in October at 6:30pm**. All are encouraged to participate.

PARISH COUNCIL The next meeting takes place on **November 6th at 7pm**

HUMOUR: THANK YOU HONEY

A married couple was in a terrible accident where the woman's face was severely burned. The doctor told the husband that they couldn't graft any skin from her body because she was too skinny. So, the husband offered to donate some of his own skin.

However, the only skin on his body that the doctor felt was suitable would have to come from his bottom. The husband and wife agreed that they would tell no one about where the skin came from, and requested that the doctor also honour their secret. After all, this was a very delicate matter.

After the surgery was completed, everyone was astounded at the woman's new beauty. She looked more beautiful than she ever had before! All her friends and relatives just went on and on about her youthful beauty!

One day, she was alone with her husband, and she was overcome with emotion at his sacrifice. She said, 'Dear, I just want to thank you for everything you did for me. There is no way I could ever repay you.'

'My darling,' he replied, 'I get all the thanks I need every time I see your mother kiss you on the cheek.'

Love YOUR
 neighbor
 as yourself.
 MATTHEW 22:39

4YOUTH

November 1st is the Feast of All Saints, which honours every saint, known and unknown. While we have information about many saints and have specific feast days to celebrate them, there are many unknown saints, who may have been forgotten or never honoured specifically. On All Saints Day, we celebrate these holy people and ask for their prayers and intercessions. The Gospel reading on All Saints Day is the Sermon on the Mount, from the Gospel of Matthew, in which Jesus gives us the Beatitudes to teach us what we must be like in order to inherit the Kingdom of God.

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE

Catholic Church in Canada Celebrates 50 Year of Solidarity with Global South
 October 20th, 2017 marked the 50th Anniversary of the foundation of Development and Peace – Caritas Canada. Inspired by the Second Vatican Council, the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops founded Development and Peace in 1967 as a link between Canadian Catholics and the most marginalized, at-risk, and oppressed of our sisters and brothers in the Global South. For the past 5 decades, because of your support, Development and Peace has been able to sow meaningful and sustainable social, environmental, political, and economic justice around the world! On behalf of the millions of people worldwide whose lives have been enhanced by our programs, **THANK YOU for your solidarity!**

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SCHOLARSHIPS

Available to students who graduated Grade XII with Honours in June 2017 and are attending a Post-Secondary institution in September. **Application deadline: October 31, 2017.** Information at www.kofcnl.org.