



A Curious Mind...

We don't know many details about Zacchaeus except that he was short, a chief tax collector, and wealthy. We can surmise that he appropriated a certain percentage of the taxes he collected for himself (since it was common practice). Perhaps also that he was somewhat stingy, a tightwad. Was he a strict disciplinarian?

We only know that Zacchaeus was curious. Intrigued by Jesus, he climbed up a tree for a better view. As he passed below him, Jesus looked up and said: *Zacchaeus, hurry and come down; for I must stay at your house today.* The passage does not say Jesus would dine or spend time with him, but just stay with him.

The look that Jesus gave Zacchaeus transformed him. Immediately he became free from the clutches of wealth, which until that time had been his obsession. He was open to salvation. We understand that the curiosity that made him climb a tree was not a passing fancy but his quest for meaning. The look that Jesus gave him was his invitation to encounter the Lord.

Recognize the *Zacchaeus* in us. We can change our lives, break our chains, and begin a new existence. We can enhance our opportunities, go beyond mere curiosity and embark on our own quest for meaning. What if I had been the person whom Jesus addressed that day and was told to: *hurry down, for I must stay at your house?* What would I have done? It's a good chance that I would not have climbed a tree like Zacchaeus, but I can expand my perspective, become informed, and use my iPhone and available technology to explore my curiosity about God.

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR OCTOBER 30, 2016

Please pray for:

Lea Guilbeault & Ferruccio Berardo
Carmela Galardo
Prete & Faraggi Family
Rita & Antonio Zinno
Catherine Khouzam
Pasqualina Ciarlillo
Sam, Jennie, & Jeannine Dominick
Bruce Robinson
Takia Slavka Risteovski
Emilio & Livia Salvatore

Requested by:

Family
Family
Faraggi Family
Family
Family
Family
Mary Robinson
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Gino Kivcha & Family
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COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY: Holy Family will be celebrating **Father John Walsh's 50th anniversary of priesthood!**
The **Knights of Columbus** will be hosting a breakfast with all proceeds going to Holy Family after mass.
We look forward to welcoming you to this great fundraiser and social gathering for our parish.

Volunteers needed for the Childcare Centre. Even if you can only help once or twice throughout the year, it would be appreciated. This service enables parents and parishioners to fully enjoy Father Baxter's wonderful liturgies. If you can help, please speak to Maria Kelly.

Jingle bell fair, November 3rd from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., sponsored by the Auxiliary of St. Mary's Hospital, in the Auditorium, 3830 Lacombe Ave. Over 20 raffles, jewelry, crafts, purses and more!

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Feel free to provide your comments / suggestions / or add to Joe Piazza at jpiazza@live.ca
If you wish to add you email address to Holy Family's address list, please send it to jpiazza@live.ca

The Pillars Trust Fund Board of Directors has incorporated into its bylaws a "Declaration of Principles on the service of Charity as a Catholic organization" as approved by the Archdiocese of Montreal. Pillars Trust, through its Board and Membership, **adopted the declaration as a sign of its desire to be faithfully Catholic in its identity and in its actions.** Since 1972 the Pillars Trust Fund has been fulfilling its Mission to provide: leadership, support and financial assistance to its traditional beneficiaries. We can only do this with your continued financial support! Please be generous. Donate to us today at www.pillarstrust.org.

"Got an idea for a project...maybe Pillars Trust can help support it!" Following an assessment, the Pillars Trust will provide 'seed money' for any new initiatives coming from parishes or the community. Contact us at ptf@catholiccentre.ca. "As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord" (Joshua 24:15)

Did you know that the **Pillars Trust Fund sends out four information "Newsletters" a year?** These letters inform (you) our supporters and interested members of our English-speaking Catholic community about the many services and activities funded by Pillars Trust through your annual support. To ensure that you receive these "Newsletters" by email, kindly ensure that all of your vital mailing information is up to date with Pillars Trust. You can do this by sending an email to ptf@catholiccentre.ca, including your name, home address, postal code and phone number.

For those wishing to have a mass said for loved one or a friend, please see Sharon Murphy after mass.

Last Sunday's collection was \$1510. Thank you!

Dracula decided he need a dog. Which breed did he choose?

A bloodhound.

What would you get if you crossed a vampire and a teacher?

Lots of blood tests!

