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MASS INTENTIONS FOR NOVEMBER 19, 2017

Please Pray for:

Lea Guilbeault & Ferruccio Berardo
Liberato & Domenica Ranallo Di Ioia
Margaret Walsh
Archilao Di Fruscia
Concetta Starnino
Aldo Sbrissa
Giacomo Faraggi
Patricia Nower
Emilio & Livia Salvatore
Takia & Slaovka Risteovski
Francesco Toterà
Ida Settino Toterà
Anna Piperni Borelli

Requested by:

Family
Daughter & Family
Friends of Holy Family
Wanda Di Fruscia
Wanda Di Fruscia
Family
Faraggi Family
Sister
Gino & Kivca Salvatore
Gino & Kivca Salvatore
Kozina Family
Toterà Family
Rita & Olga

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Christmas Bake Sale and the 20/20 draw will take place December 3rd. Bakers are needed. Bake your family favorites and spread good cheer. If you have any questions please contact Linda Glashan before or after mass at the back of the church.

Note of gratitude

Frank Quinn has received all your emails and he has heard of all your calls to his daughter, Jo-Ann. They are both deeply touched and extremely grateful.
At 97 years of age, Frank is presently hospitalized for a non-life threatening infection. He is expected to return to La Residence Soleil of Ste-Julie soon where he will welcome visitors and telephone calls. As soon as her father is back in his 2.5 room apartment, Jo-Ann intends to answer all your thoughtful emails.
A great big THANK YOU to Father Baxter for remembering Frank during Holy Family's Remembrance Day liturgy. Jo-Ann will give us more news once Frank is released from hospital.

The Sacred Heart Christmas Fair - Saturday, Dec. 9th

Get an Early Start to Your Christmas Shopping: We have an exciting line up of exhibitors, artisans & artists, as well as hand-made Christmas cards, and the ever popular Sacred Heart Café! Tickets for raffle prizes will be sold on site. Saturday, December 9 from 10 am to 5:00 pm. Free parking. 3635 Atwater Avenue, Montreal. Info: www.sacredheart.qc.ca or call 514-937-2845

Don't forget to visit our Parish website at <http://www.holyfamilyparishmtl.com>. You can find Sunday's Liturgy PowerPoint slides and the bulletin. Thank you to all those involved in keeping the website up to date!

- Office Hours: Tuesdays 10 am to 4 pm (Please call before coming)
- If you wish to add you email address to Holy Family's address list, please send it to jpiazza@live.ca
- For those wishing to have a mass said for loved one or a friend, please see Sharon Murphy after mass.

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Last Sunday's Collection was \$1550. Thank you!

A frog goes to a fortune teller to find out if he will ever be lucky in love. The fortune teller reads his palm and tells the frog, "I have good news and I have bad news. Which would you like to hear first?" The frog asks for the good news first. The fortune teller says, "You are going to meet the most beautiful girl, who is going to be very interested in you and will want to know all about you. She will want you to give her your heart."
"That's great!" says the frog. "But what's the bad news?" "Well, you're going to meet her in Biology class."

How much do you remember?

Do you remember what you ate for supper last February 7th? I don't even remember what I ate a week ago. The fact that I am healthy assures me that I eat carefully every day. Do you remember the priest's sermon two weeks ago? We may have some difficulties with our memory and sometimes feel shy discussing this topic. Though to be fair, our memory is still quite good.



That's life. We don't always remember every detail of our interesting lives. Our minds recollect, perhaps at a later moment, what we have filed away. These recollections can be quite vivid.

Let us access a particular memory of God's Word. It can make quite an impression today and surprise us in the future. In the Gospel today, we have a master who leaves on a trip. He represents Christ. The time away is limited and the master always returns. Don't forget that.

The master gives out talents. A talent is worth at least ten years work, a hefty sum. Imagine ten talents. The talents are worth more than a salary; they are gifts that God gives us throughout our lives as Christians. I remember a time when my Aunt Alexa said she was afraid to appear before the Eternal Father. She asked: "What am I going to say? I have no talent. I was never a pianist, a renowned artist, or even very wise." I responded: "Don't worry about that, God will only ask you one question. What have you done for your brothers and sisters throughout your life?" Then she said to me: "I'm OK. I'll know what to say."

The master distributes talents to his servants and expects them to use and improve them. God expects us to be involved in this service and bring our talents to fruition by prioritizing peace, kindness, responsibility, while living as God's daughters and sons.

"What do I like to do? What am I good at?" Good questions. Go ahead, list your talents, and don't be modest. You will be surprised to realize how important you are in God's eyes.

Following the example of St. Ignatius of Loyola, we may say this prayer: *Take, O Lord, and receive my entire liberty, my memory, my understanding and my whole will. All that I am and all that I possess You have given me. I surrender it all to You to be disposed of according to your will.*

Yvon Cousineau, c.s.c.

Translated by Honore Kerwin Borrelli