MASS SCHEDULE
WEEK OF NOVEMBER 8th, 2026

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7TH, 2026
4 :30 P.M. Rogelio Cotiangco — The Family

SUNDAY NOV. 8TH, 2026-32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
9 :00 A.M. Milda Ackun — Andrew & Andrea
11 :00 A.M. Theresa Koessler — Helen Surette

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9th, 2026-DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10TH, 2026 –ST. LEO THE GREAT
7:00 P.M. R.T. Williams & Anton Williams — The Family

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 11TH, 2026-ST. MARTIN OF TOURS
9:15 A.M. Bernice & Gordon Moore — The Family

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12TH, 2026-ST. JOSAPHAT
9:00 A.M. All Parishioners

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13TH, 2026
9:00 A.M. All Parishioners

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14TH, 2026
4 :30 P.M. Paul McCusker — Denise & Family

SUNDAY NOV. 15TH, 2026-33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
9 :00 A.M. Mary Correa — The Burtles Family
11 :00 A.M. All Parishioners

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The **NOVEMBER** edition of our newsletter, St. Veronica's Voice, is now available on the St. Veronica's Parish website, so be sure to check it out and stay connected with all that's happening in our church family!
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32nd Sunday Year A – November 8, 2026

Be Wise! Be Ready!

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells the parable of ten bridesmaids waiting for the bridegroom. All ten have lamps, and all ten grow weary as they wait. But only five bring enough oil to keep their lamps burning when the bridegroom finally arrives. Their wisdom lies in being prepared: not simply for what they expect, but for what may take longer, or unfold differently than anticipated.

Jesus concludes with a simple but challenging invitation: "Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour." This is not a call to live in fear or constant anxiety about the future. Rather, it is an invitation to live with attentiveness, faith and wisdom, ready to recognize the Lord's presence and respond to his call.

Such wisdom is especially important as we seek to read the *signs of the times* around us. Our world is changing rapidly. We face challenges of social conflict and political division, economic uncertainty, environmental concerns, and the growing isolation of so many people. Our communities and our Church are also going through significant change. How are we to respond faithfully? What is God asking of us in this moment of history?

Christian wisdom requires more than information or cleverness. It calls us to be good stewards of our time, our talent, and our treasure. It invites us to listen carefully, discern what is happening in the light of the Gospel, and recognize where the Holy Spirit may be leading us. Like the wise bridesmaids, we must be prepared to act when the opportunity comes: to offer compassion, to work for justice, to welcome those on the margins, to bear witness to the hope we have in Christ.

The oil in our lamps cannot be borrowed at the last minute, because we couldn't be bothered to stay awake. Our readiness grows through daily prayer, attending Mass, the study of God's Word, and the practical choices through which we put our faith into action.

Psalm 63, which we pray today, expresses the desire of a wise and faithful heart: *"O God, you are my God, I seek you; my soul thirsts for you."* Above all competing priorities, ambitions and anxieties, may we seek God's wisdom and fulfil God's will in all things. Then, even amid uncertainty and change, our lamps will continue to shine, and we will be ready to welcome the Bridegroom - whenever he comes.

GOSPEL REFLECTION 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Imagery drawn from marriage was a tradional way to describe the relationship between God and his people. When asked why his disciples, unlike those of John the Baptist, did not fast, Jesus replied : *The wedding attendants cannot mourn as long as the bridegroom is with them, can they? (Matt 9:15)*. And, a few weeks back, on the 28th Sunday, we saw Jesus tell the parable of the guests invited to the marriage feast of a father's son.

The ten young women represent disciples of Jesus, as they await his coming. On the basis of what happens later on, fire are described as wise or sensible and five a s foolish. Their wisdom here consists in their taking prudent steps to do what they need to do in order to come face to face with their Lord.

However, the bridegroom is long in coming. All – both sensible ones who brought a sufficient supply of oil as well as those who did not – "became drowsy and slept". Thus it seems that being fully awake at every single moment in not the point, but rather the overall readiness when the time comes to respond.

The next St.Veronica's Seniors Club luncheon takes place on November 13/26 at the Sarto Desnoyers Community Center. The doors open at 12:00pm. Our meal is from EATZ and the cost is $20.00. The PHP is canned fruit. We will commemorate Remembrance Day by having Veteran Richard Gratton as our speaker. Please make your reservations before 12:00pm Monday November 9th.

Next weekend is ***St. Veronica's CWL Christmas Bazaar!!*** Join us on Saturday, November 14th, from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm and Sunday, November 15th, from 10:00 am 11:00 am. Come and get some baked goodies, a Christmas present or two from the Craft Corner, or pick up some winter evening viewing from our DVD table. Also don't forget your Raffle tickets! The Raffle will be held after the 11:00 am mass (at noon) on Sunday. All 100% of the proceeds from the Bazaar go to local and/or national charities.

Calling all Bakers!!! Please fill out the bake slip in your pew and drop it off in the box at the two exit doors. We need your baked goods to help make our St. Veronica's CWL Bazaar a success.

Crafters/Knitters/Quilters!!! If you have any donations for the Bazaar Craft table, please call Huguette at 514-428-9835 for arrangements when to either drop off or pick up. Thank you!

