

## THIRTY-SECOND AND THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: YEAR B

**November 7 and 14, 2021**

**POPE FRANCIS HAS ACCEPTED THE INVITATION** of the Bishops of Canada to visit the Church in Canada in the context of a pilgrimage of healing and reconciliation with our Indigenous sisters and brothers. The statement of the Holy Father was published on the Vatican News [website](#). While no date has been established for the visit, it will build on three years of constructive dialogue between the Canadian Bishops, the Holy See, and Indigenous Peoples who have generously shared their experiences and stories about the sufferings and challenges that continue to this day. The delegation of Indigenous Peoples and Bishops to the Vatican in December will allow the Pope to hear directly from Indigenous people on the historic and ongoing legacy of Residential Schools, and discuss with them their hopes for the visit in service of ongoing reconciliation.

**THE DIOCESAN COMMITTEE FOR SYNOD 2023** has prepared the information package for distribution throughout the Diocese. It is sent out to our Parishes, Catholic School Boards, Catholic social agencies, and other organizations. The link to the diocesan online Synod consultation questionnaire is here:

[https://www.surveymonkey.ca/r/Hamilton\\_Diocese\\_Synod](https://www.surveymonkey.ca/r/Hamilton_Diocese_Synod)

After a six-week consultation, the responses will be processed and a Diocesan report will be submitted to the Assembly of Catholic Bishops of Ontario. *"I'm going to share my voice. Will you share yours?"*

## CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S MASSES -2021

**CHRISTMAS EVE, DECEMBER 24, 2021**

4:00PM, 6:00 PM, 8:00PM and Midnight

**CHRISTMAS DAY, DECEMBER 25, 2021**

9:30 AM and 11:30 AM

New Years Eve, January 31, Mass at 5:00 PM

NEW Year's Day, January 1, 2022 Mass at 10:00 AM

The capacity for each of our Masses will be 300. Registration will be required.

Registration will begin on the First Sunday of Advent, November 28, 2021

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12 @ 3 PM** *"Prepare the Way"* - In prayerful preparation for the celebration of Jesus' birth, please join us for an afternoon of reflection, scripture and music led by Catholic singer-songwriter Nancy Bodsworth. Nancy will be joined by her band and will be performing music from her Christmas album *"The Greatest Gift."* Free-Will offerings will be graciously accepted – all proceeds will go to Catholic Family Services of Hamilton. For more information, please do to [www.nancybodsworth.com](http://www.nancybodsworth.com).

**ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE PARISH IS LOOKING FOR THE FOLLOWING COORDINATORS....**

Lectors, Eucharistic ministers, Altar servers, Screening, and the Hall. If you feel called to take up this leadership role kindly talk to Fr. Francis. May God bless your generosity.



**Tuesday, November 9, 2021**

**8:00am** † Ann Beda

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**Friday, November 12, 2021**

**8:00 am** (i) Carl Whyte

**Saturday, November 13, 2021**

5:00 pm (i) Andrea Backstrom  
† Eileen Sutton

**Sunday, November 14, 2021**

11:30 am (i) Alicia Kankowski  
† Giuseppe Cofoleto

**Tuesday, November 16, 2021**

8:00 am † Josef Jez

**Wednesday, November 17, 2021**

8:00 am † Eileen Sutton

**Friday, November 19, 2021**

8:00am (i) Marie & Jaroslav Grabec

**Saturday, November 20, 2021**

5:00 pm (i) Kim Grenier

**Sunday, November 21, 2021**

9:00 am † Orti Nello Fabello

11:30 am † Karel Komon

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AND BENEDICTION** will be every First Friday of the Month after the 8:00am Mass.

**CATHOLIC EDUCATION AWARDS....** On Tuesday, November 23, 2021, the Hamilton-Wentworth Catholic District School Board will honour Yvette Beach, Retired Principal, Morris Hucal, Superintendent of Education, Marnie Jadon, Media and Communications Manager, Kelly Lazure-Valconi, Employee Assistance Counsellor, Pastoral Services, for the Board's 2021 Awards for Distinguished Service to Catholic Education. To acknowledge and express appreciation to the award recipients, a Mass of Thanksgiving and Award Ceremony will be held on Tuesday, November 23, 2021 at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King. Current COVID-19 restrictions regarding attendance at Mass will be in place.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY** to St. Thomas the Apostle parish.

You can donate to the parish through the following ways...

1. Through regular envelopes
2. By making a cheque to the parish
3. Direct deposit program
4. Through our website...online giving. You will receive a tax receipt at the end of the year.

Kindly contact the parish office for more information.

**OUR PARISH IS IN NEED OF GROCERY GIFT CARDS** to help the poor. If you are able to help, kindly bring them to the office or bring them when you come to Sunday Mass. Thank you for your generosity.

**SUNDAY MISSALS FOR year 2021-22** are available either in the office or during weekend Masses. The cost per copy is \$5.00.

If you wish to be a lector or Eucharistic minister kindly talk to Fr. Francis.