

## DEATH AND RESURRECTION

**Hallowe'en. All Saints Day. All Souls Day. Remembrance Day.** November comes upon us, and we see the signs of death in nature: fallen leaves; wet and windy days; long and chilly nights. It is a time when we naturally ponder our own mortality, finitude, and vulnerability. Our faith takes death seriously. "Dead serious", you might say!! But it also tells us that death is not the final answer. "*Death, where is your victory? Where is your sting?*" For Christians, death is not the end, but the final transition: it is the movement from time into eternity.

Today, we celebrate not a "Mass for the dead", but a "**Mass of the Resurrection**". As is our custom, we invite the families and friends of those whose funerals took place here at St. Monica's over the past year to join us as we commemorate their loved ones, the departed members of our faith community. We light candles. We sing songs. We pray. We remember. We celebrate the Eucharist: Christ's promise of life triumphant over death: "I am the Resurrection and the Life. Those who believe in me, even if they die, will live forever." We believe that Jesus is faithful to his promise. That his Paschal Mystery – his own passion, death, and resurrection – is the pattern of our own lives as well.

In today's Gospel, we learn that Jesus came to seek out and save those who are lost, to bring salvation to all who are open to his gift of eternal life. As we remember our loved ones who have died, as we recall also those whose names are inscribed in our "loving memory" book – family members, mentors, friends, fellow parishioners – let us be grateful for the gift of life. Life here on earth, with its joys and struggles; life eternal, where we will enjoy the reward of our labours, resting in the arms of our loving Creator.

*"O Lord, support us all the day long, until the shadows lengthen, and the evening comes, and the busy world is hushed, and the fever of life is over, and our work is done. Then in your mercy, grant us a safe lodging, and a holy rest, and peace at last. Amen."*  
*Blessed John Henry Newman)*

## ADULT FAITH ENRICHMENT UPCOMING EVENTS

### Video Divina

Join Fr. Raymond for **Whale Rider**, the second film of this year's "Looking at Life through the Lens of the Sacraments" series, on **Friday, November 7 at 7 p.m.** in the parish rectory. Free admission and popcorn, and stimulating discussion to follow! All are welcome!

### Life, Death, Eternal Life: The Talk of a Lifetime

It can be difficult for many of us to approach the questions we all face at the end of life. Questions about the kind of medical, emotional, and spiritual accompaniment we want to receive, and about funeral arrangements and ceremonies that respect our unique identity and our faith in the Resurrection. Join **Mary Pallett and Fr. Raymond Lafontaine** on **Wednesday, November 19 from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.** in the parish hall for an opportunity to address these concerns and the importance of talking to our loved ones about them. Transportation is available upon request at registration. Please register by **November 17**. *Please refer to our website and the posters at the Church entrances for additional information. If registration is required, kindly use the appropriate sign-up sheets at the main church entrance or contact Anna at the office.*

## SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR MAINTENANCE THIS WEEKEND

### CATHOLIC BOOK & MEDIA FAIR

On the weekend of **November 15 - 16, 2014**, the Daughters of St. Paul – Pauline Books & Media will be here before and after all the Eucharistic Liturgies beginning Saturday Afternoon. You are encouraged to take advantage of this opportunity to find quality resources that will help your Faith journey. Please stop by the main church entrance to see their great selection of Catholic books, music CDs and DVD movies. For more information please visit [www.pauline.org](http://www.pauline.org).

**ATTENTION ALTAR BOYS / GIRLS  
PRACTICE ON SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8, FROM 1:00 TO 2:00 P.M.**

## MASS INTENTIONS OCT. 25 TO NOV.2, 2014

### Saturday, November 1: All Saints Day

4:00 ALL SAINTS DAY

### Sunday, November 2: All Souls Day

8:30 COMMEMORATION OF ALL FAITHFUL DEPARTED

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### Monday, November 3: St. Martin de Porres

8:00 Natalina Donati Ceccucci By Patrizia & Giovanni Patone  
Alba & Luigi Paliotti By Ida & Nazzareno Salvati

### Tuesday, November 4: St. Charles Borromeo

8:00 Luigi, Antonio & Sanda Onesi By Settimia Onesi  
Domenico, Carlina, Antonio & Rosa Paoli By Pietrina Paoli

### Wednesday, November 5: Weekday Mass

8:00 Antonio Bei By wife Gabriella Bei  
Assunto & Nazzareno Santache By Maria Teresa Palucci

### Thursday, November 6: Weekday Mass

8:00 Umberta Fontana By Dina, Luigi & Lorne  
Shirley Gillies By her Niece & Nephews

### Friday, November 7: Weekday Mass

8:00 Alessandro Palladini By wife Franca Palladini & Family  
Franco Spurio By Wife & Children

### Saturday, November 8: Our Lady's Saturday

4:00 **In Loving Memory:** Wilfred Martin & Nick Cordopati, Mike Kilbertus,  
Deceased members Charles McDonald Family, Ignazio Ciampini,  
Aniello D'Addio, Danny Dupont, Alessandro Palladini, Lucille Wong

### Sunday, November 9: Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

8:30 Antonietta & Francesca La Posta By Concetta La Posta  
Thomas & Ruthmarie Stimpson By Dennis & Linda Stimpson  
11:00 Antonio & Flavio Ricci By the Family  
Vincenzo Giangaspero By Michele Giangaspero

### Your Generosity...

Thank you for your on-going support of our parish...Collection for the weekend of October 25/26, 2014 totalled \$2,729.00

### IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL PARISHIONERS

Because of the construction going on in the church during the week, **the church will be opened only during the hours of 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. until further notice (please do not linger in the church past this hour).** The 8:00 a.m. week-day Mass will continue to be celebrated as usual.

### FAITH & JUSTICE BAZAAR

Thank you to all who helped with the Faith & Justice Bazaar: pricers, set-up & clean-up crews, sellers, bakers; those who brought items and those who bought! We made \$4,657.00 for our twin parish in Zamoran, El Salvador (Sharon Di Fruscia with Maria and Sandra Lanni will be visiting them soon). **Raffle Winners:** Bath Basket (Robin Thornton), \$50 Certificates to Gryphon d'Or (Joan Davison & Lisa Brimo), Fruit Cake (Angela Onesi). **Silent Auction:** Earrings (Carmel Kilkenny), Fruit Bowl (Debbie Resurreccion), Liquor (Adeline Holland), and Afghan (Linda Wylie).

### "IN LOVING MEMORY" & ALL SOULS ENVELOPES

You are invited to record the names of your deceased family members & friends in our "Loving Memory" books. These books are placed on the altar & your deceased loved ones will be prayed for at all masses in November. Also, at the church entrance are "All Souls" envelopes for your donation and to mark the names of your deceased loved ones.

## ST. MONICA'S PARISH YOUTH GROUP

For Grades 7-10 (Secondary 1-4)

**Friday, November 7, at 7:30 p.m.**  
**in the Church Hall**

Youth Alpha - Why Did Jesus Die?

**FOOD – FUN – FAITH &  
FELLOWSHIP**

Come and bring a friend!

For more information, contact

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### PARISH VITALITY

**Not registered for the  
conference? Don't worry!**  
**There's plenty of room at  
the cathedral November 13.**

The November 13-15 Parish Vitality Conference is just two weeks away. Registration is still open, but there are only a few places left. While not everyone can attend the conference, there is plenty of room at Mary Queen of the World Cathedral for any parishioner who wants to hear the authors of **Rebuilt** give the keynote address on November 13 at 7 p.m. Attend the keynote and gain insight into what fellow parishioners—those who have registered for the conference—will be talking about after this event. The keynote is free and is open to the public. For Cathy Giulietti of St. John Brébeuf Parish, the conference will be a stepping-stone to help launch the New Evangelization in our community. You can find out why by visiting [parishvitality.com](http://parishvitality.com) and clicking on *View from the Pew* under WHY. Travel information related to the two conference sites can also be found by clicking on *Getting There* under WHERE. Brochures and registration forms are still available from your parish; for up-to-date information and online registration, go to: [parishvitality.com](http://parishvitality.com).