

'Today' is the Day: Scott Hahn Reflects on the 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Malachi 3:19-20; Psalm 98:5-9; 2 Thessalonians 3:7-12; Luke 21:5-19



It is the age between our Lord's first coming and His last. We live in the new world begun by His life, death, Resurrection and Ascension, by the sending of His Spirit upon the Church. But we await the day when He will come again in glory.

"Lo, the day is coming," Malachi warns in today's First Reading. The prophets taught Israel to look for the Day of the Lord, when He would gather the nations for judgment (see Zephaniah 3:8; Isaiah 3:9; 2 Peter 3:7).

Jesus anticipates this day in today's Gospel. He cautions us not to be deceived by those claiming "the time has come." Such deception is the background also for today's Epistle (see 2 Thessalonians 2:1-3).

The signs Jesus gives His Apostles seem to already have come to pass in the New Testament. In Acts, the Epistles and Revelation, we read of famines and earthquakes, the Temple's desolation. We read of persecutions—believers imprisoned and put to death, testifying to their faith with wisdom in the Spirit.

These "signs" then, show us the pattern for the Church's life—both in the New Testament and today.

We too live in a world of nations and kingdoms at war. And we should take the Apostles as our "models," as today's Epistle counsels. Like them we must persevere in the face of unbelieving relatives and friends, and forces and authorities hostile to God.

As we do in today's Psalm, we should sing His praises, joyfully proclaim His coming as Lord and King. The Day of the Lord is always a day that has already come and a day still yet to come. It is the "today" of our Liturgy.

The Apostles prayed maranatha—"O Lord come!" (see 1 Corinthians 16:22; Revelation 22:20). In the Eucharist He answers, coming again as the Lord of hosts and the Sun of Justice with its healing rays. It is a mighty sign and a pledge of that Day to come.

ANNOUNCED MASSES
November 12th – November 20th, 2016

Sat. Nov. 12th 4:30 p.m.	Saint Josaphat Fructouso and Zenona Lanzaderas – RIP – by Emma, Tommy and family
Sun. Nov. 13th 9:00 a.m.	33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Austin Moran – RIP – by the family
11:00 a.m.	Elvira Durinzi – RIP – by the family
Mon. Nov. 14th	NO MASS
Tues. Nov. 15th 7:00 p.m.	Saint Albert the Great Eileen and Kathleen Leekam – Best Intentions – by their sisters
Wed. Nov. 16th 9:00 a.m.	Saint Margaret of Scotland Maureen Roper – Best Intentions – by Leah
Thurs. Nov. 17th 9:00 a.m.	Saint Elizabeth of Hungary Pope Benedict XVI – Blessings – by Leah
Fri. Nov. 18th 9:00 a.m.	Dedication of the Basilicas of Saints Peter and Paul For Saints Ann and Joachim and Mother Mary – by Angela Ferraro
Sat. Nov. 19th 4:30 p.m.	Weekday Maria E.S. Melo – RIP – by Connie
Sun. Nov. 20th 9:00 a.m.	Christ the King Maria Melo Ponte – RIP – by Maria E.S. Ponte
11:00 a.m.	Bruna Alesi – RIP – by her parents

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed
through the mercy of God rest in peace.*

Collection:

November 6, 2016 - **\$2,397.45**

First Saturday Collection - **\$185.00**

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SUNDAY MISSALS

The 2016-2017 Sunday Missals will be available starting next week, November 20th, after every Mass. The cost is \$6.00 each. There is a collection plate beside the Missals for the people to put their money in.



THE LADIES' AUXILIARY NEWS

The Ladies' Auxiliary would like to thank our parishioners for a very successful calendar drive. We had ordered 200 and sold them all! This is the first time we have sold so many. The money we raised will pay for the school needs of our sponsored child and some food for her family. This money will also allow us to send her presents at Christmas, Easter and her birthday. We would also like to thank Bishop Dowd for his inspiring words about the calendars at every Mass and Carolyn Hebert for organizing everything.

MEETING - There will be a meeting on Wednesday, **November 16th at 7 P.M.** to discuss our latest fund raising project. We are planning another cookbook to celebrate the 100th anniversary of Our Lady's Apparitions at Fatima. Please join us to launch this project. All ladies of the parish are welcome.

HOLY HOUR



Every Friday, following the 9am mass, the Blessed Sacrament is exposed for one hour of Holy Adoration, Rosary, silent prayer, and Chaplet of Divine Mercy, concluding with Divine Praises and Benediction. Come and spend some time with the Lord.

THE FOOD BANK "OASIS"



Please remember to bring non-perishable food and leave them in the bins at the doors of the church...Thank you.

THE SACRED HEART SCHOOL OF MONTREAL



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 of course, the popular Sacred Heart Café!

Tickets for raffle prizes will be sold on site. Saturday, December 3 from 10 am to 4:30

pm. Info: www.sacredheart.qc.ca or call 514-937-2845 x 113.

LOYOLA HIGH SCHOOL – 47th ANNUAL MOTHERS' GUILD WINE AND CHEESE FUNDRAISER



Loyola High School's social event of the year is just a few weeks away! Please come join us. You will have the opportunity to purchase wonderful gifts for family and friends. Win fabulous gifts at the balloon pop. Test your good fortune at our Wheel of Fortune, or at our fantastic raffle and silent auction tables. We look forward to seeing you at this early

Christmas gathering. You can purchase tickets on-line at: <http://www.loyola.ca>. Adults only / Admission \$25. All proceeds will benefit the Loyola High School Bursary Fund. We look forward to seeing you on Sunday, November 27th 2016, from 2:00pm - 5:00pm.