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**SUNDAY** 

13 APRIL 2014

DURING LENT, THE CHURCH
WILL BE OPEN
FRIDAYS FROM
12 NOON TO 6 P.M.

FOR THOSE WHO WANT TO COME AND PRAY

# St. Columban Parish

36 Fourth St. West, Cornwall, ON K6J 2R6

Masses: Sat Vigil: 7 p.m., Sun: 7:30, 9:30, 11:00 a.m.

#### **EVANGELIZATION MADE EASY - Part 6**

#### **Today's Readings:**

Isaiah 50:4–7 Psalm 22:8–9, 17–24 Philippians 2:6–11 Matthew 27:11–54 Prayer, study and preparation are important, but we can do nothing without the Holy Spirit.

Further Reflection from the Catechism:

CCC: 516, 606, 1009 CCCC: 25-26

YOUCAT: 98, 155

#### The New Evangelization needs a new Pentecost

To evangelize effectively, we need to be empowered by the Holy Spirit, the principal agent of evangelization. We need to welcome the Holy Spirit in a new way and be open to all His gifts and charisms. (Pope Paul VI, Evangelii Nuntiandi 75)

#### **How We Are Empowered**

In **Baptism** you were called to share in Christ's prophetic office - to announce the Gospel and God's Kingdom. You received the virtues (faith, hope, love, and all the other virtues), the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit. In **Confirmation** you were sealed with the gifts of the Holy Spirit in order to spread and defend the faith. In the **Eucharist** you are strengthened in the grace of the Holy Spirit and sent forth in mission to the world.

#### The Need for Something More

If we have received the Holy Spirit, why do our lives look and feel exactly the same? The Apostles had the same problem, hiding in fear, going back to fishing. Jesus said to wait for "the promise of the Father about which you have heard Me speak; for John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit" (Acts 1:3-5). The "something more" is the "Baptism in the Holy Spirit", transforming the Apostles from confused and frightened men hiding for their lives into bold witnesses with 3000 converts on their first day. It is a stirring up of the life of the Holy Spirit that is already within us through the Sacraments, yet needing to be unleashed.

#### What are the effects?

Effects include a new awareness of the reality and presence of Jesus Christ in one's life, the presence of the spiritual gifts in the lives of Christians, and the Holy Spirit's action eliminating sin & bringing a person's life in order.

John Paul II tells us: 'The effusion of the Spirit makes present and reactivates our Baptism, unleashing the Holy Spirit. It is a call to permanent conversion, as on the day of the Pentecostal descent of the Spirit in Jerusalem. It is a new awareness of the Lordship of Jesus in our life, that Jesus Who is Lord, and only through the Spirit can He be loved, adored, proclaimed, witnessed and shared."

"Techniques of evangelization are good, but even the most advanced ones could not replace the gentle action of the Spirit. The most perfect preparation of the evangelizer has no effect without the Holy Spirit. Without the Holy Spirit the most convincing dialectic has no power over the heart of man" (Paul VI, Evangelii Nuntiandi 75)

Ask and You Will Receive - Ask with the confidence and simplicity of a child. "Ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks, receives; and the one who seeks, finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened. What father among you would hand his son a snake when he asks for a fish? Or hand him a scorpion when he asks for an egg? If you then, who are wicked, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him?" (Luke 11:9-13)

Excerpted from a teaching by Fr. Scott McCaig, CC.



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Please give 6 months notice

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#### BY 4 P.M. FRIDAY

(ONE WEEK PRIOR TO REQUIRED WEEKEND PUBLICATION)

#### **CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES**

#### Saturday, April 12th

2:30 - 4 p.m. Confessions

3:00 p.m. Wedding Jordan Arthur & Julia Esposito

6:15 - 6:45 p.m. Confessions

7:00 p.m. George & Carmel Belmore by the family

#### Sunday, April 13th

7:30 a.m. Intentions of the Parishioners

9:30 a.m. Suzan Smith by Mom, Steve, Lisa & Mike

11:00 a.m. Jean Lalonde by Keith & Mary Grant

#### Monday, April 14th

7:30 a.m. Angelina Besaw by Andre & Elizabeth Doyon

#### Tuesday, April 15th

7:30 a.m. Special Intention for Mavis Menard by the Harvey family

7:00 p.m. Chrism Mass at Nativity Co-Cathedral

#### Wednesday, April 16th

7:30 a.m. Ruth Crowder by Rejean Gagne

#### Thursday, April 17th Mass of the Lord's Supper

3 – 4 p.m. Confessions

7:00 p.m. Cathy Lemieux by her Aunt Marion Tobin

**Adoration until Midnight** 

#### Friday, April 18th Celebration of the Lord's Passion

1-2 p.m. Confession

3:00 p.m. Passion of the Lord Service

7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross (Joint Service with Holy Trinity)

#### Saturday, April 19th Easter Vigil

2:30 - 4:00 p.m. Confessions

6:15 - 6:45 p.m. Confessions

8:00 p.m. Daphne Martell by husband Barice & family

#### Sunday, April 20th Resurrection of The Lord

7:30 a.m. Intentions of the Parishioners

9:30 a.m. Archie MacMillan (20th Anniversary of death) by

daughter Isobella MacMillan

11:00 a.m. Paul Trepanier by Rod & Rita White

#### Monday, April 21st

8:00 a.m. Barbara Parisien by Joe Parisien & family

DIVINE MERCY NOVENA – STARTS ON GOOD FRIDAY Prayer Service – 3 p.m. Divine Mercy Sunday

#### CATHOLIC ENGAGED ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

Kayla Maillet & Adam Altieri; Jessica Seguin & David Depatie, Megan Sorbie & Joel Herrington, Amanda St. Louis & Cory Leduc attended this course April 4<sup>th</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup>. Please keep them in your prayers as they prepare for Marriage this year.

#### REMINDER - ADOPT-A-CANDIDATE.

Thank you to the parishioners who are praying for our children as they prepare for their Sacraments. A reminder that the third card is now due. Please drop it in the collection basket before April 25th. This card will be given to the children when they receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.

IN OUR PARISH				
Collection - 30 March - Thank You				
Sunday		\$4,427.05	Dev. & Peace	\$ 20.00
Loose		333.52	Book Store	84.20
Total		\$4,760.57	Candles	163.50

PLEASE NOTE – TUESDAY, 15 APRIL
No 12:10 Mass here on Tuesday of Holy Week.
YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND THE CHRISM MASS
7 P.M. AT NATIVITY COCATHEDRAL

HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL  $17^{TH}$  - Only Mass Is at 7 p.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 18TH
IS A DAY OF FASTING AND ABSTINENCE FROM MEAT.

# GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 18TH PONTIFICAL COLLECTION FOR THE HOLY LAND

We realize as a Church that Jesus is the Bread of Life: "Whoever eats this bread will live forever". (John 6.51). By sharing in the upkeep of the Holy Land & the mission of the Custody, we give witness to commit our life to help others; the lives of our brothers and sisters in the Holy Land. It is the assurance of a true friendship for LIFE.. By giving to the Holy Land we strengthen our bond of friendship with our fellow Christians who live in the land of Jesus. We support the Christians who live & eat there, are struggling & live in hope. This word of the Gospel is an affirmation of the One who loved to the end. Our donation is a step forward towards the awareness of others & an invitation to change our relationship with the Living.

#### RETURN PURPLE CROSSES PALM SUNDAY

Thank you for supporting others in prayer during Lent.

No crosses are worn through Holy Week
as we thank Jesus for the cross He carried for us.

#### COFFEE AND CHAT - EASTER SUNDAY

Next Sunday morning plan to stop at the Fourth Street entrance for a coffee. This is an opportunity to wish your fellow parishioners a blessed Easter.

# We would like to honor in a special way Couples Celebrating Anniversaries This Year

in the multiples of 5, (i.e. 5,10,15, 20, 25 yrs, etc.)

If you are celebrating or know of other parishioners who are celebrating one of these anniversaries, please let us know by calling the Rectory (613-932-9616) during office hours.

# DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE "ONE HUMAN FAMILY, FOOD FOR ALL"

Thank you to all who gave so generously to Development and Peace last Sunday. As one global human family, we are helping to build God's reign of justice & peace based on human dignity, where everyone has a place at the table.

"Whoever is generous will be blessed because he shares his food with the poor." Proverbs 22:9

#### In The Parish

#### CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE - BURSARIES

St. Columban's CWL will give a bursary to a worthy grade 12 graduate of St. Joseph's and Holy Trinity High Schools. Any students, parents or grandparents who would like to nominate a student to receive one of these bursaries should call the rectory during office hours 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Monday to Thurs. Student should be an active member of St. Columban's parish

ANNUAL CWL DIOCESAN CONVENTION - MAY 25<sup>TH</sup> will be held at the Royal Canadian Legion hosted by St.Peter's CWL. Deadline to purchase Banquet tickets (\$25.) is Apr. 26th Payment by cash or cheque made payable to "St.Columban's CWL". Payment can be made at the rectory office during office hours. On the registration form, please indicate if you require transportation. All CWL members are welcome.

C.W.L. Spring Garage and Bake Sale
will be held in St. Columban's School, 323 Augustus Street.

8 A.M. TO NOON – SATURDAY, 3 MAY
If you have articles you wish to donate, please drop them off

If you have articles you wish to donate, please drop them off at the school between 3 & 5 p.m. on Friday, 2 May.

#### IN THE DIOCESE

BISHOP MARCEL WANTS TO MEET
ALL TEENS AND YOUNG ADULTS IN THE DIOCESE
All teens and young adults in our Diocese are asked to come.
(300 Montreal Road). There will be group activities, witness talks, sharing with Bishop Marcel, prayer and a great meal.

5 TO 8 P.M., SUNDAY, 13 APRIL

#### LOOKING FOR A SPIRITUAL MAKE-OVER?

Experience a "New Life" weekend, May 1-3, here in Cornwall at the Agora Center. It doesn't matter where you are in your journey. A great friendly team is looking forward to welcoming you. Sleep at home in your own bed. \$60. donation is requested. Offer more or less as you are able... seriously. Registration forms available from info@sasecornwall.ca or by calling 613-360-8371.

FAMILY BREAKFAST - 8:30 A.M. TO 12, SUN., 27 APR. hosted by St. Francis de Sales K of C 11531 in Parish Hall

St. Martin of Tours Parish, Glen Robertson

EXPO-SALE - Noon to 4 P.M., SATURDAY, 26 APRIL
In the parish hall. (Book your table now).

Call Gisele or Lucie at 613-525-1223 or 613-874-2057

SHALOM HOUSE – GARAGE AND BAKE SALE MAY 16, 17 AND 18.

If you wish to donate goods for the sale, call 613-525-1704

BENEFIT CONCERT FOR PRO-LIFE 7 P.M., SAT. 26 APRIL St. Theresa's Church – Donation \$10. Piano & Guitar Music.

CATHOLIC YOUTH CONFERENCE – TORONTO 4–6 JULY
Over 2000 young people (Grades 8 to 12) will gather to celebrate
& grow their faith. Diocese will take a group of 44 youth,
accompanied by adult chaperones & Bishop Marcel Damphousse.
For info. & registration contact Sr. Francine at info@acgoes2to.ca

# WITHIN US, A SEED OF RESURRECTION, A GLIMPSE OF ETERNITY

Vatican City, (VIS) -

"I believe in the resurrection of the flesh". "It is a truth that is neither simple nor self-evident, as living immersed in this world, it is not easy to understand what will happen in the future. But the



Gospel enlightens us". This vigil, for the "glorious kingdom, which we anxiously await" is "the source and the reason for our hope; a hope which, if cultivated and preserved, becomes a "light to illuminate our personal and communal story".

Pope Francis emphasised that "we must always remember we are disciples of He Who came, Who comes to us every day and Who will come to us again at the end", and reiterated that if we were able to keep this fact present in our minds, we would be less overwhelmed by daily life, less imprisoned by the ephemeral and more willing to walk the path of salvation with a merciful heart".

Pope Francis recalled that the resurrection that will follow the last day of the end of the world will be an encounter with the Risen Christ for whom we prepare in this life with the Eucharist. "We, who in this life are nourished by His Body and His Blood will be resurrected like Him, with Him and by Him. Just as Jesus rose again with His own body, but did not return to an earthly life, we too will rise again with our bodies that will be transformed into glorious bodies".

"In a certain sense, through our Baptism we already participate in a new life ... and, awaiting the final day, we hold within ourselves the seed of our resurrection, a glimpse of the full resurrection that we will inherit. For this reason, each of our bodies has the resonance of eternity, and must therefore be respected; and above all the life of those who suffer must be respected and loved, so that they feel the closeness of the Kingdom of God, of that condition of eternal life towards which we are headed".

NATIONAL CATHOLIC MISSION-VISION TV, CABLE CHANNEL 64 6 P.M. AND REPEATED AT 10 P.M., APRIL 14<sup>TH</sup> AND 15TH

#### BE A MAN

MEN'S CONFERENCE "DIVINE MERCY"- SUNDAY, 3 MAY
In Ottawa with Archbishop Terrence Prendergast,
Dr. Brian Thalcher and Dr. Robert Stackpole.
at the Sanhor Santo Cristo Parish, 110 Kenaston St., Gloucester
A GROUP IS GOING FROM ALEXANDRIA/CORNWALL DIOCESE. IF
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