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Rev. Fr. Claude Hallé, Guest Priest  
Rev. Mr. Chris Chisholm, Deacon

*He is Risen*



# CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

# IN OUR PARISH

## Saturday, March 31st EASTER VIGIL

**Please Note: No Confessions**  
8:00 p.m. Mario Gaudioso by Janet Surgeson & Family

## Easter Sunday, April 01st RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

7:30 a.m. Annie MacDonald by Elizabeth & Jennie  
9:30 a.m. Intention of Parishioners  
11:00 a.m. Peter & Theresa D'Cruz

## Monday, April 02nd OFFICE CLOSED EASTER OCTAVE

7:30 a.m. **No Mass** **EASTER SEASON – WEEK 1**

## Tuesday, April 03rd EASTER OCTAVE

7:30 a.m. Rev. David Saunders by the Sanborn Family  
9:00 a.m. Bishop Macdonell School Easter Mass

## Wednesday, April 04th EASTER OCTAVE

7:30 a.m. Caroline J. Martin by Gwen Lefebvre  
9:00 a.m. St. Columban School Easter Mass

## Thursday, April 05th EASTER OCTAVE

7:00 p.m. Ruth Stidwill by the Family

## Friday, April 06th SACRED HEART of JESUS

### EASTER OCTAVE - FIRST FRIDAY

7:30 a.m. Marilyn Hamilton by a Parishioner  
8:00 a.m. Adoration

## Saturday, April 07th IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

### EASTER OCTAVE - FIRST SATURDAY

7:00 - 7:25 a.m. Confessions  
8:00 a.m. Peter & Theresa D'Cruz by the Estate  
3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Confessions  
5:30 p.m. Clara Montpetit by Kathy Montpetit

## Divine Mercy Sunday, April 08th 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

7:30 a.m. Robert & Douglas Lawn by Colin & Eleanor Pottie  
9:30 a.m. Intention of Parishioners  
11:00 a.m. Andre, Tina & Julie by Don & Pauline Primeau  
12:30 p.m. Baptisms

## Monday, April 09th THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD (S)

7:30 a.m. **No Mass** **EASTER SEASON – WEEK 2**

## **STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION**

*"Think of what is above, not of what is on earth."  
- Colossians 3:2*

On this day we thank God for His Son, Jesus, who died and rose for us. We celebrate and sing "Alleluia" Let's try to keep the joy of this Easter season in our hearts throughout the year! Pray daily and listen for how He is calling each of us to joyfully use our gifts to fulfill His salvation plan.

## **SCHOOL EASTER MASSES FOR CHILDREN**

Many parishioners mentioned that they enjoyed celebrating the 12:10 Mass with the children on Ash Wednesday. Parishioners are welcome to join the children at their School Easter Masses in the Church  
Bishop Macdonell Mass – 9 a.m. Tuesday April 03  
St. Columban Mass – 9 a.m. Wednesday April 04

## **EASTER MESSAGE TO THE BELOVED PEOPLE OF GOD 2018**

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ

After going through the Lenten observances and Holy Week, we rejoice at the Lord's resurrection. The joy of new life through our Lord's resurrection is then, for all of us to experience throughout the whole year. As we exchange greetings on this great feast we are aware that we journey together toward a future filled with confidence and trust in the Lord's company.

The time for fear and doubt is set aside; we rise with the Lord with renewed vigour and hope to pursue our desires in the light of the Word of God. We are the Resurrection people and for that we go through our ordinary daily life with certainty that will not be disappointed. God is faithful to His promises. Being aware of your faith in the Risen Lord, we are grateful for the blessings God has bestowed on us to see our many good works done for the advancement of God's Kingdom in our midst. Our many differences are all but little obstacles which we can overcome with love and sincerity for the common good to create a brighter future. We can do all things in Christ as He strengthens us. God has been generous in giving us his only begotten Son. He is no longer in the tomb he has risen, he is in our midst. We have to open our hearts and let him in so that he will dwell there forever.

May we continue to develop a deep appreciation of one another. When we accept one another with love as brothers and sisters of Jesus Christ we become more united with him. May the Risen Lord bless you always. Happy Easter to you and your loved ones!

REMAIN BLESSED.

REV. FR. ERNEST EMEKA EMEODI, PAROCHIAL ADMINISTRATOR

REV. FR. CLAUDE HALLE, GUEST PRIEST

REV. MR. CHRIS CHISHOLM, DEACON AND THE PARISH LEADERSHIP TEAM.

**PLEASE NOTE:** The Parish Office is closed on Easter Monday April 02nd.

## **CHICKEN DINNER FUNDRAISER**

Chicken Dinner Fundraiser for Patrons of St. Columban Foundation for the restoration of our historic St. Columban's Church at the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 297, 415 Second St., West, Cornwall. 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., Sunday April 15. Tickets available after masses the weekend of March 24-25, April 7-8. Tickets \$12 also available at St. Columban's parish office during office hours, from Foundation members, by calling Brian Lynch at 613-933-8353 and at the Legion. Everyone welcome.

## **TODAY'S READINGS – APRIL 01<sup>ST</sup>**

1st Reading: Acts 10.34a, 37-43

2nd Reading: Colossians 3.1-4

Or 1 Corinthians 5.6b-8

Gospel: John 20.1-18 (long version)

Or John 20.1-9 (short version)

*According to the Scripture: Jesus must rise from the dead.*

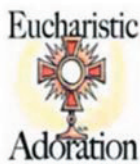
**INTERCESSORY PRAYER - Bring a Friend**

Thank you to all those attending our monthly evening of Intercessory Prayer. Our next evening will take place on **Thursday, April 5, 2018, 7pm** in the Church. Bring a friend and your specific prayer intentions as we will also continue to pray for our Parish and our Diocese. Followed by refreshments and Social time.

If anyone is interesting in sharing how God has worked in their life or if you would like more information, please call Janet Surgeson at [613-363-5331](tel:613-363-5331) or by email at [janetsurgeson@gmail.com](mailto:janetsurgeson@gmail.com)

**FIRST FRIDAY – 6 APRIL  
ADORATION**

After 7:30 a.m. Mass, the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed with a Time of Adoration, prayer, Scripture & meditation, closing with Benediction.



**FIRST SATURDAY – 7 APRIL**

Confessions 7 to 7:25 a.m.  
Rosary prayed at 7:30 a.m.  
Mass at 8 a.m.  
Come and pray.



**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY (APRIL 8<sup>TH</sup>)**

The day where Our Lord wishes to pour out His graces upon us if we are open and prepared to receive them, is fast approaching! "The soul that will have made a good confession and on that Sunday receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and the punishment due to them. On that day, all the divine floodgates through which grace flow are open. Let no soul fear to draw near Me even though its sins be as scarlet." (Diary 699) Do we really understand the immensity of Our Lord's mercy and His gift to us?! Next Sunday, let us come with open hearts to listen to the words of Mercy in the readings and homily, after just experiencing Holy Week. Let us not forget to venerate the blessed Image of Divine Mercy before we leave. Jesus tells us "I promise that the soul that will venerate this Image will not perish....(Diary 48).

**PLEASE NOTE - Blessed Sacrament parish** is hosting the 3 pm "Hour of Mercy" this year, so we will not have a service at St. Columban's. One of our young people will be sharing his testimony. Don't miss it!

**ST. COLUMBAN COLLECTION REPORT  
FOR MARCH 18, 2018**

Sunday Envelopes	3,626.50
Loose Collection	422.15
New Year's	20.00
Initial Offering	5.00
Development & Peace	1,708.00
Holy Land	5.00
Flowers	40.00
Parish Mission	182.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 6,008.65</b>

**WOMEN'S MORNING OF REFLECTION**

Please join us **Saturday, April 7th from 9:30 am - 12:00** at the Centre Charles-Emile Claude on Chevrier St., Cornwall, for mass, confession, breakfast, a talk and the rosary. Our guest speaker is Anne Vincelli. Her talk is entitled *The Amazing Legacy of the Religious Hospitallers of St. Joseph*. A free will offering of \$5.00 is appreciated. Contact Heidi Krol at 613-347-7561 ([michaelkrol@xplornet.com](mailto:michaelkrol@xplornet.com)) or Marilyn Light at 613-537-2021 ([Marilynn.light@gmail.com](mailto:Marilynn.light@gmail.com)) for any inquiries.

**MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST NEEDED**

Father Raymond Dumoulin is looking for persons who are interested in becoming Ministers of the Eucharist at St-Joseph's Villa. If you have 2 hours a week to give in service to the Lord, please call Cynthia MacLachlan at 613.933.6040 ext. 21211.

**ST. JULIAN'S CHAPEL**

Come to Simply Adore Jesus at St. Julian's Chapel - 24/7 Perpetual Adoration. Behind St. Peter's Parish (side entrance). You are always welcome!

**GET SET FOR KINDERGARTEN!**

Registration for the 2018-2019 school year is now underway at your local Catholic school. French Immersion is offered at many of our schools. In addition, we offer before and after school programs, and on-site daycare at some locations. Please call your local Catholic school for more information, or visit [www.cdsbeo.on.ca](http://www.cdsbeo.on.ca) for a complete list of schools and information on how to register your child.

**TUESDAY AFTERNOON SOCIAL GATHERING**

Tuesday's 1:00 – 4:00 pm. Parish Activity Centre. Parishioners are invited to participate in an afternoon of games and socializing with others on Tuesday afternoons. Always open to new activities and ideas. For more info call 613.932.7091.

**FAMILY BREAKFAST**

**St. Francis de Sales** K of C 11531 are having a 'Family Breakfast' on Sunday, 29th April 2018 from 8:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. \$7.00/person. *Everyone welcome.*

**ROAST BEEF DINNER**

**St. Francis de Sales - K of C #11531 ROAST BEEF DINNER** Thursday, 12th April 2018 from 4:30-6:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall \$10 per person

**PILGRIMAGE IN GREECE + CRUISE**

*The footsteps of Saint Paul with Father Marc Piché ( French Guides Only)* from **September 29th to October 12, 2018**. For more information, Please contact: Madeleine Lepage at 613-932-4136 or by e-mail: [madonat2010@hotmail.com](mailto:madonat2010@hotmail.com) or Father Marc at 613-931-1424

**COMMUNION IN PEW**

For those who are having mobility issues and need communion brought to the pew. Please notify Fr. Ernest or one of the Eucharistic Ministers before the start of Mass.

**CUSHIONS FOR PEWS**

Please note: Those who may need a little softness on the pew, cushions are available in the basket at the front and rear of the church. Please return cushion to basket at end of Mass.

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