3RD SUNDAY

OF EASTER (C)

10 APRIL, 2016

Jesus asks: "Do you love Me?" If so, "Feed My Sheep."

St. Columban Parish

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

Masses: Sat Vigil: 5:30 p.m., **Sun:** 7:30, 9:30, 11:00 a.m.

Weekdays except Mondays: 7:30 a.m.

Preserving our Diocesan Heritage

The "Fencibles" officially took possession of the former "Bishop's House" at the end of March, and will work to bring the property back to life. Originally built for Bishop Alexander Macdonell, this house is part of the Ruin of St. Raphael's Roman Catholic Church National Historic Site of Can-



ada (1996) and was designated under the Ontario Heritage Act in 2011. It is considered to be in the top one percent – in terms of historical significance – of the province's heritage properties (Ontario Heritage Trust). St. Raphael's is known as the cradle of Catholicism in Ontario.

The house has seen many uses over the past 200 years including a boarding school, drug and alcohol rehbilitation centre, monastery, and centre for youth ministry.

The house will be reopened as an arts and culture centre with studios, exhibit space, a catering kitchen, and a tea room overlooking the grounds. The former refectory with high ceilings will be reused for receptions and concerts. The Bishop's House will recognize the public service of Canadian pioneers associated with this National Historic Site, including Alexander Macdonell, Ontario's first bishop, and John Sandfield Macdonald, Ontario's first premier.

The College garden, with its stunning stone wall, laid out in 1826, is of particular heritage interest, and will be restored and opened to the public.

The building had been boarded up by the Diocese and was scheduled to be demolished until community members stepped forward and asked what it would take to obtain ownership of the historic property to preserve it for future generations.

Glengarry Fencibles Trust is a locally based volunteer organization and a registered charity, incorporated by the Ontario Historical Society in 2010 to own, preserve, and rehabilitate this historic property. Volunteers have been working for the conservation and sustainable reuse of this house since 2004.

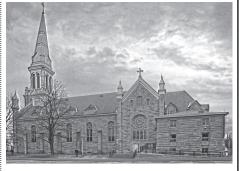
The renovation work for this two million dollar conservation project will be done in phases. The first phase will address immediate threats to the physical integrity of the building and preserve its architectural features.



1975 College of Iona Provincial Plaque enveiling

Immediate priorities are the roof, windows, and installation of an air exchanger system. Having reached their \$100,000 goal, including a \$20,000 grant from the McLean Foundation, they now qualify for a Parks Canada matching cost sharing program.

www.bishopshouse.ca



PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Fr. Ernest Emeka Emeodi Parochial Administrator Rev. Mr. Chris Chisholm, Deacon

OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR

Mrs. Kelly Poitras

OFFICE HOURS

Mon. to Thurs. 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Evenings by appointment

BAPTISMS

By appointment 1 month in advance

MARRIAGES

Please give 6 months notice

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 3:00 to 4:00 p.m. Also by appointment

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(ONE WEEK PRIOR TO REQUIRED WEEKEND PUBLICATION)

CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

Saturday, April 09th

3-4 p.m. Confessions

5:30 p.m. Guiseppe (Joe) Mazzella by the Di Nardo family

Sunday, April 10th

7:30 a.m. Intentions of parishioners

9:30 a.m. In Thanksgiving by a parishioner

11:00 a.m. Clemence Blanchard by Germaine Desrosiers

and family

Tuesday, April 12th

7:30 a.m. Vinton Papps by wiife Carol & family

Wednesday, April 13th

7:30 a.m. Pat Keefe by Isobel Mclellan

Thursday, April 14th

7:30 a.m. Jack Welch by Helen Kennedy & family

Friday, April 15th

7:30 a.m. Shirley Gosselin by Jean & Anne Welch

Saturday, April 16th

3 - 4 p.m. Confessions

5:30 p.m. Leo & Bea Massia by Raymond & Kelly Poitras

Sunday, April 17th

7:30 a.m. Intentions of the parishioners

9:30 a.m. Brendan Mullin by John & Janice Meyer

11:00 a.m. Shirley Gosselin by Isobel McLennan

COMMUNION STATIONS ARE LOCATED CENTRE FRONT & HALF-WAY DOWN CENTRE AISLE

Please exit pews from the Centre aisle and return by the Side aisles. Thank you.

COFFEE AND CHAT - NEXT SUNDAY, 17 APRIL

Father Ernest and the Parish Leaders invite you to take time for a coffee after Masses next weekend and spend a few minutes in conversation with your fellow parishioners.

DEACON CHRIS CHISHOLM AND HIS WIFE PAULINE

will be in attendance at the 11 a.m. Mass.

Plan to stop for coffee to meet and welcome them to the parish.

IN OUR PARISH

COLLECTION 25/27 MARCH, 2016 - THANK YOU

\$3,767.00 Sunday Env. \$ 10.00 Flowers 669.26 Loose \$ 82.90 Candles \$4,436.26 Total \$ 93.45 Books

\$ 10.00 Initial Offering \$ 160.00 Dev. & Peace

\$3,313.00 Easter \$ 160.00 Dev. & Peace \$ 68.45 Sale of Palms \$2,121.65 Good Friday/Holy Land \$ 22.00 New Years \$ 10.00 Vocation Sunday \$ 5.00 Papal Charities \$ 5.00 Needs of Cdn Church

5.00 Propagation of the Faith Total: \$10,342.71

MASS INTENTIONS

The Church offers us a wonderful way to bring our intentions before the community so that we are not alone in our prayer. We can entrust a Mass intention for an individual, a group of individuals (for example, deceased family members) or a special prayer intention (for example, peace in the world). We welcome all those who would like to have a Mass or a number of Masses said for their intentions. For more info., see Kelly at the parish office 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Mondays to Thurdays.

Adopt a Candidate (Sacramental Prep)

Thank you to all who have shown their love and prayers for our children who are preparing for the Sacraments of Initiation & First Reconciliation.

Your note of congratulations and prayers for special grace is due on May 1st.

PARENT MEETING CONFIRMATION/FIRST COMMUNION

in Parish Activity Center (Room 201, Agape Bldg. 2nd Floor)

THURSDAY, 14 APRIL AT 7 P.M.

CHICKEN DINNER FUNDRAISER

FOR THE PATRONS OF ST. COLUMBAN FOUNDATION 4:30 TO 6:30 P.M., THIS SUNDAY, 10 APRIL

Hosted by Royal Canadian Legion Branch 297, 415 2nd St. W.

Tickets (\$12.)

COME AND ALSO INVITE FAMILY AND FRIENDS

TO ENJOY A GREAT CHICKEN DINNER AND HELP RAISE FUNDS FOR RESTORATION OF OUR HISTORIC ST. COLUMBAN'S CHURCH.

BE A BLESSING AS YOU ARE BLESSED

There are a variery of ways the Lord can work through you to ensure that the ministry to which each parishioner is called may continue for years to come.

Your generous regular Sunday and special giving is vital to ensuring that our parish community has the needed resources to provide vibrant liturgies, ongoing adult faith formation, outreach to the neighbourhood and to maintain this beautiful and historic place of worship - St. Columban's - the "mother Church" of the Catholic parishes of our city.

There are other ways to help revitalize the parish - "In memoriam" donations on the death of a loved one, through the work of the Parish Foundation, and by remembering the Parish in your Will are but some of the ways.

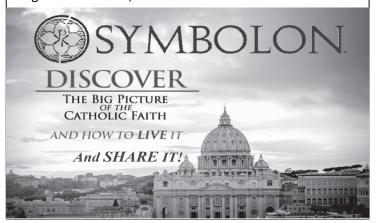
And, for those who are able, your parish community needs a bit of your time and talent. Please take this to prayer, asking the Lord: "What would You have me do?" Then please speak to any of our clergy or parish leaders.

IN OUR PARISH

NEXT STEPS AS INTENTIONAL DISCIPLES ATTEND OUR

COME & SEE NIGHT 7:15 PM THIS THURSDAY

Augustine Institute professionally produced a top-notch video-based series with the best Catholic presenters. We meet weekly IN THE CHURCH (90 minutes on average). Registration is free; handouts available at a nominal cost.



CWL HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION BURSARIESSt. Columban's Catholic Women's League will present a \$150. bursary at St. Joseph's & Holy Trinity's *Grade 12 graduations*. Parishioners are invited to nominate eligible candidates by calling Jane Anderson at 613-933-1062. Thank you.

CWL SPRING GARAGE SALE - SAT. 7 MAY

While doing your spring cleaning, please set aside any useful but unneeded/unwanted items and donate them for the Sale. Items may be dropped off at St. Columban's School on Friday, May 6 between 3 and 5 p.m..

Catholic Women's League

CWL DIOCESAN SPRING RETREAT, THURSDAY APRIL 28

at Shalom House. Adoration 6 p.m. Retreat at 7 p.m.

IN THE DIOCESE

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•Receive Holy Communion

•Recite a Profession of Faith

Pray for the Intentions of the Pope

For more information, check the Diocesan Website.

JOB OPENING FOR PASTORAL MINISTER/ADMIN. ASST.

at St. Andrew's Parish. Interested applicants may pick up a job description at the parish office (613-932-9226) or email your interest to pastoralminister@cogeco.net.

Resumes must be received at the office by 27 April at Noon. Only applicants chosen for an interview will be notified.

IN THE DIOCESE



TIME IS RUNNING OUT – 15/16 APR. AT AGORA CTR. New presenters & style of music this year to provide inspiration, encouragement, training, practical wisdom & resources on how Catholics can effectively evangelize. Clergy & laity will benefit. Order your ticket (\$50.) today at www.newevangelization.ca.

St. Peter's Parish Catholic Women's League

Spring Tea - 1 to 3 p.m., Wednesday, 13 April

\$6/person - all are welcome

St. Andrews Parish Catholic Women's League
Social Bridge/Euchre Party & Lunch
12 Noon, Thurs. 14 Apr. Tickets \$10. call Helen 932-9517

St. Francis de Sales Knights of Columbus

ROAST BEEF DINNER 5 P.M., THURSDAY, 14 APRIL

Adults \$10.. children \$5.

St. Martin of Tours, Glen Robertson Parish Hall Expo Sale, Sat, April 16^{th} , 9am - 4pm.

Bake Sale. Rent a table. Take a chance on several prizes. For more info or to rent a table, contact Gisèle (613-525-1223).

LIFE MATTERS CONFERENCE

ON EUTHANASIA, PHYSICIAN ASSISTED SUICIDE & ABORTION 9 A.M. TO 4 P.M., SATURDAY, 23 APRIL – AGORA CENTRE Adults \$10. Students free – incl. lunch & refreshments.

PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED BY 20 APR.- Call 613-931-2087 or email db19914@hotmail.com or cruzin66cc@hotmail.com

SALESIAN YOUTH LEADERSHIP CAMP FOR GR. 9–12 TEENS Youthful, dynamic, funny, hands-on learning week-end with a Catholic perspective of leadership. 29–30 APRIL-MAY 1ST. Limited space. Program co-lead by ACtiv8 & Salesian Sisters of St. John Bosco. Contact fquilmette@alexandria-cornwall.ca

THEOLOGY ON TAP - 8 P.M. FRIDAY, 6 MAY TALKING FAITH OUTSIDE A CHURCH ENVIRONMENT

A monthly encounter for young adults & their friends married or single where fun, friends & faith mix in a relaxed & inspiring atmosphere. This month we meet at the Best Western in Cornwall. Guest speaker Andrew Bennett, Ambassador for Religious Freedom within the federal government.

STILL SPACES FOR STEUBENVILLE-TORONTO

Canada's largest Catholic Youth Conference. Now in its third year, the conference will take place July 22-24 on campus at UOIT in Oshawa, Ont. Register online at www.steubenvilletoronto.com for teens entering Gr. 9 next September. For more info. contact Sr. Francine, FMA at fguilmette@alexandria-cornwall.ca.

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