20TH SUNDAY IN

ORDINARY TIME

17 AUGUST 2014

"May God be gracious to us and bless us and make His face shine upon us that Your way may be known upon earth ... among all nations."

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. Weekdays: 7:30 a.m.

Today's Readings: Isaiah 56:1, 6–7 Psalm 67:2–3, 5, 6, 8 Rom 11:13–15, 29–32 Matthew 15:21–28 "I [Paul] am an Apostle to the Gentiles ... [for] the reconciliation of the world." Further Reflection from the Catechism: CCC: 1500, 1509, 1521 CCCC: 314–316 YOUCAT: 242–243

CHRISTIAN UNITY – A POWERFUL WITNESS CHRISTIAN DISUNITY – AN ANTI-WITNESS

Based on a presentation by Fr. Mark Goring, C.C.

1.) Visible unity among Christians must be a dream for every Christian. Every believer in Christ should long for the day that we are one again. Pope John Paul II said that it's a sin not to work towards unity.

2.) The work of bringing Christians together again will be a work of God. With more than 30,000 denominations, the church has become divided and there is so much confusion and division that it is impossible for man to fix.

3.) There is a growing expectation that the Lord Himself will raise up prophets to speak boldly and with the anointing of the Spirit, declaring that the disunity in the church must end and that we must humble ourselves and work for unity. It's a scandal and an embarassment. Fr. Mark believes that Bishop Tony Palmer (an Anglican friend of Pope Francis) is a man that God has raised up for this purpose.

4.) The Body of Christ, theologically, is one; we are brothers and sisters in Christ regardless of denomination. The walls that divide us do not reach to heaven, but those walls must come down because they hinder the proclamation of the Gospel. We should be able to speak about our differences in a respectful and intelligent way.

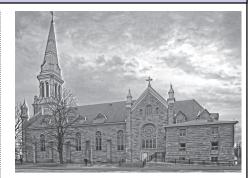
5.) In order for unity to happen, there must be a humbling. We have to get over our anger, hurts and insecurities. We need to forgive and rise above that, extending love to our brothers and sisters even if they don't reciprocate that love.

6.) Jesus' dying prayer was Father, may they be one so that the world may believe. In other words, the world will not believe until we are one. If people could honestly say: "Look at how they love one another," the works of evangelization, justice and mercy would move forward so much further.

7.) The glue/power/key for all of this is in our shared experience of the glory of God. When more of us experience that, the path to unity is clear. Then the other things can be sorted out with greater ease and simplicity. Let's get onboard with what the Lord wants to do. Imagine what could happen, if the church in our generation, could become one again!

During a Week of Prayer for Christian Unity service, Pope Francis said that Christian unity will not appear suddenly as a miracle but will be given to the followers of Christ step by step as they walk together and work together.

Inside this bulletin is a notice for the FIRE & FUSION CONFERENCE, which is a direct response to Pope Francis' and Bishop Palmer's efforts to build genuine Christian unity. Pope Francis sent a video message to Evangelical leaders via Palmer. Subsequently internationally known representatives of the Evangelical community met with Pope Francis at the Vatican. On July 20, Bishop Palmer was killed in a motorcycle crash, but the movement continues. PLEASE PRAYERFULLY CONSIDER ATTENDING ONE OR MORE DAYS OF THE CONFERENCE.



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CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

Saturday, August 16th

3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Confessions
6:15 – 6:45 p.m. Confessions
7:00 p.m. Hubert Lalonde by wife Alice, daughters Charlene, Judy, Wendy, Debbie & Brenda
Sunday, August 17th

7:30 a.m. Intentions of the parishioners 9:30 a.m. Barbara Parisien by Isabel Parisien and family 11:00 a.m.Michael Burgess (1st Anniversary of death) by Leona Arcand Monday, August 18th

7:30 a.m. Frank Campbell by the family

<u>Tuesday, August 19th</u> 7:30 a.m. Marcel Bray by Maria & family

<u>Wednesday, August 20th</u> 7:30 a.m. Rita Antoine by Murielle Mayer

<u>Thursday, August 21st</u>

7:30 a.m. Tom Parisien (2nd Anniversary of death) by Joe Parisien & family

Friday, August 22nd

7:30 a.m. Judy MacGillivray (2nd Anniversary of death) by husband Rob MacGillivray

<u>Saturday, August 23rd</u> 3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Confessions 6:15 – 6:45 p.m. Confessions 7:00 p.m. Barbara Parisien by husband Joe Parisien and family

Sunday, August 24th

7:30 a.m. Intentions of the parishioners
9:30 a.m. Deacon Ken & Joyce Lalonde in thanksgiving by the Surgeson family
11:00 a.m. Blanche Pilon by Rita Martel

Monday, August 25th

7:30 a.m. Eleanor Morris by June Kerr

CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our Church bulletin. The advertising will begin in November 2014 and supports our bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 1 800 268-2637.

POPE FRANCIS - AUGUST PRAYER INTENTIONS

That refugees, forced by violence to abandon their homes, may find a generous welcome and the protection of their rights. That Christians in Oceania may joyfully announce the faith to all the people of that region.

IN OUR PARISH

Collection – 3 August – Thank You			
Sunday	\$3,730.10	Votive Candles	\$189.00
Loose	538.18	Book Store	\$ 80.35
Total	\$4,268.28		

WELCOME BACK ARAMICO GOSPEL CHOIR At the 7 p.m. and 7:30 a.m. Masses this weekend, we will have a guest music ministry from Montreal. The members of Aramico Gospel Choir have been friends with Fr. Jerome since they met 8 years ago at St. Patrick of the Island Parish in Pincourt.



Please welcome: Michelle Lao (Lead Vocal) Michelle Allana (Vocals) Jowen Soguillon (Lead guitar/Vocal) Mikaela Lorraine Lao-Aquino (Drums/percussion) Anthony Muje (Bass guitar/Vocal) Other members include: Joy Mesina, Eduardo Franco Nabor and Remelyn Remegio

DO YOU LIKE TO SING? DO YOU PLAY FLUTE, GUITAR, KEYBOARD OR ANOTHER INSTRUMENT? Here at St. Columban's, we would like to grow our *LITURGICAL MUSIC PROGRAMME. Please consider prayerfully if this ministry might be for you.* For more information, call

Bill at 613-932-7316 or Fr. Jerome 613-932-9616

BAPTISMS – SUNDAY, 10 AUGUST We pray for Eliza Kupina, Morgan Cook, Dawn Ricard, Montana Campbell, Cloe Brunette and Adedeji Ogundipe who, last weekend, became **CHILDREN OF GOD THROUGH BAPTISM** and for their parents and godparents.



May these children choose the Lord Jesus to be their constant companion throughout their lives.

ST. COLUMBAN'S ANNUAL CEMETERY SERVICE 3 P.M., SUNDAY, 14 SEPTEMBER In case of inclement weather, the service will be held in our Church.

CHRISTIAN UNITY WILL GROW STEP BY STEP, SAYS POPE FRANCIS

27 January 2014

Christian unity will not appear suddenly as a miracle

but will be given to the followers of Christ step by step as they walk together and work together, Pope Francis has said. "To journey together is already to be making unity," the Pope said during an ecumenical prayer service marking the end of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. Pope Francis presided over the service at the Basilica of St Paul Outside the Walls with Orthodox, Eastern Orthodox, Anglican, Lutheran, Methodist and other Christian representatives present and reading some of the prayers. The service began with Pope Francis, Orthodox Metropolitan Gennadios of Italy and the Most Rev David Moxon, the Archbishop of Canterbury's representative in Rome, bowing in prayer before the tomb of St Paul on the feast of his conversion.

"We have prayed at the tomb of Paul and said to one another, 'Let's pray that he will help us on this path, this path of unity and love," the Pope said later in his homily. "Unity will not come about as a miracle at the very end," he said. "Rather unity comes about in journeying." "If we do not walk together, if we do not pray for one another, if we do not collaborate in the many ways that we can in this world for the people of God," the Pope said, "then unity will not come about." Dialogue and collaboration are essential, he said, but unity will not be the result of human effort, "but rather of the Holy Spirit, who sees our good will".

Pope Francis, celebrating his first Christian unity week as Pope, said that "two great popes, Blessed John XXIII and Blessed John Paul II", felt the urgency of Jesus's prayer that His disciples be one. They dedicated so much of their energy and teaching to ecumenism that the search for Christian unity has become "an essential dimension" of papal ministry, he said. "We can say also that the journey of ecumenism has allowed us to come to a deeper understanding of the ministry of the successor of Peter, and we must be confident that it will continue to do so in the future," he said.

In his apostolic exhortation, Evangelii Gaudium (The Joy of the Gospel), Pope Francis wrote: "It is my duty, as the Bishop of Rome, to be open to suggestions which can help make the exercise of my ministry more faithful to the meaning which Jesus Christ wished to give it and to the present needs of evangelization." He noted how Blessed John Paul, in his 1995 encyclical on ecumenism, Ut Unum Sint (That All May be One), "asked for help in finding 'a way of exercising the primacy which, while in no way renouncing what is essential to its mission, is nonetheless open to a new situation'." Pope Francis said: "We have made little progress in this regard."

Pope Francis told the thousands of people who filled the Basilica of St Paul for the evening prayer service that it is unacceptable to consider "divisions in the Church as something natural, inevitable", because "divisions wound Christ's body [and] they impair the witness which we are called to give to Him before the world." "We have all been damaged by these divisions," the Pope said, and all share an obligation "to persevere with humility and trust" in the search for unity.

IN THE DIOCESE

ANNUAL CEMETERY SERVICES OUR LADY OF THE ANGELS, MOOSE CREEK 2 P.M., SUNDAY, 24 AUGUST In case of inclement weather, service will be in the Church

NATIVITY CEMETERY – 1 P.M, SUN., 21 SEPTEMBER In case of inclement weather, service will be in the Church

Notre DAME CEMETERY – 2 P.M., SUN., 21 SEPTEMBER In case of inclement weather, service will be held at St. Peter's Church.

BILINGUAL OUTDOOR MASS AT CALVARY Calvary is an outdoor Way of the Cross located behind Ste-Marie de l'Assomption Church in Green Valley. MASSES 7 P.M., 6 SEPTEMBER

ST. JULIAN'S CHAPEL (24 HOUR ADORATION) (located at St. Peter's Church) Please prayerfully consider spending an hour a week in front of the Blessed Sacrament. To volunteer or for more information call Florence at 613-932-8936.

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The Catholic Information Centre at 146 Chevrier Ave. will be closed Saturdays during August. Open Mon. to Fri. at regular hours. For information, call 613-933-5099.

OTHER

FIRE AND FUSION CONFERENCE

"The Glory Is The Glue" Co-sponsored by Lift Jesus Higher Catholic Community. Speakers: Ottawa Archbishop Christian Reisbeck; John Arnott & Bruno Ierullo, Catch the Fire; Matteo Calisi, United in Christ: 28 – 31 AUGUST – DELTA OTTAWA CITY CENTRE HOTEL Registration required. For more Information & Registration call Lift Jesus Higher 613-366-4295 or www.fireandfusion.info

60[™] ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE TO MONT SAINT-GREGOIRE birthplace of Saint Andre. Buses leave St. Joseph's Oratory on SUN., 31 AUGUST at 9 a.m. Mass at 11 a.m. at Parish Church, Prayer at the memorial to St. Andre at 2:30 p.m., Luncheon. For info & reservations call Denis at 514-733-8211 x 2792 or pelerinage@osj.qc.ca

C.C.S.O. BREAD OF LIFE DAY OF RENEWAL "STEP INTO THE RIVER OF GRACE"

St. Thomas Aquinas High School, 124 Dorval Dr., Oakville
Speakers: Fr. Peter Coughlin, Vernon Robertson, Jim Ruta, Bishop Daniel Miehm, Miriam Wright.
Tickets \$30. incl. hot lunch, dessert & beverage.
Contact 905-634-5433 or info@thebreadoflife.ca
8:30 A.M. TO 5:45 P.M., SATURDAY, 20 SEPTEMBER

