

This Gospel is a way of explaining why there is good and evil in the world today. As Jesus explained in the parable, the weeds (or evil) are allowed to grow with the wheat (or good). Only at the harvest (the end time) would God separate the good from the evil just as the farmer will separate the wheat from the weeds in Jesus' parable.

ST. COLUMBAN

PARISH

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)

JULY 19, 2020

PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Fr. Ernest Emeka Emeodi, Parochial Administrator
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MASSES & SACRAMENTS

Saturday Vigil	5:30 PM
Sunday	7:30, 9:30 & 11:00 AM
Tuesday – Friday	7:30 AM
Confession	Saturdays, 3 – 4 PM (or by appointment)
Baptism	Please notify one month in advance
Marriages	Please notify 6 months in advance

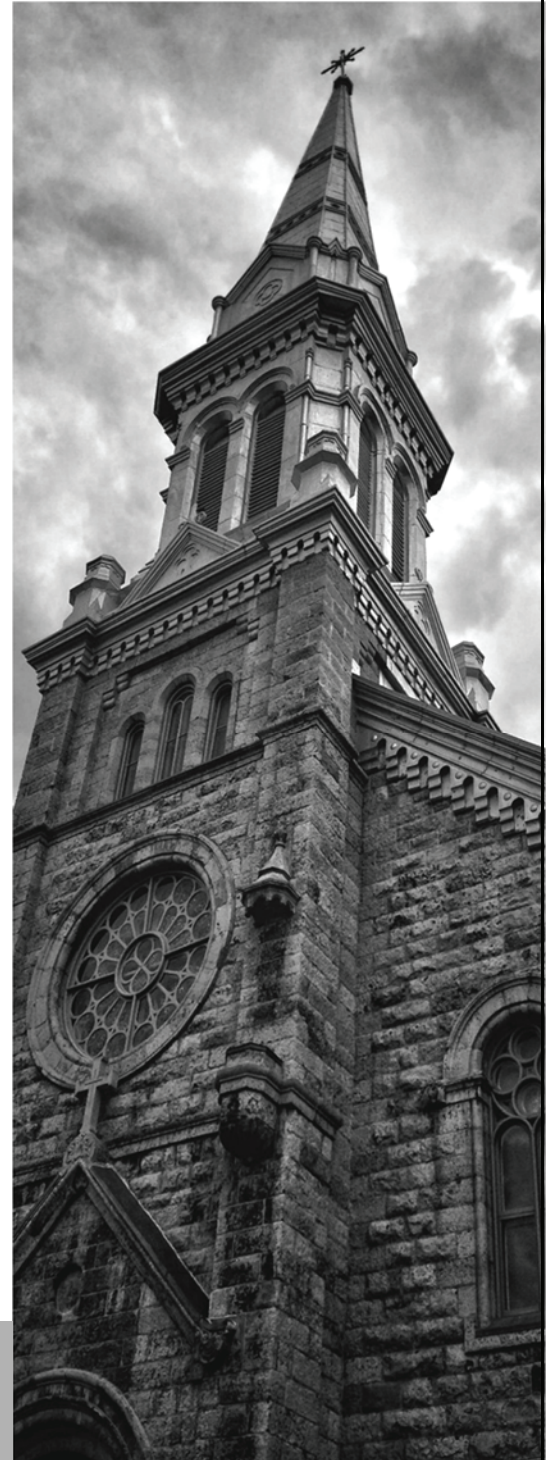
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CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

IN OUR PARISH

Saturday, July 18th OUR LADY'S SATURDAY (OM)

10:00 a.m. Wedding Rehearsal Vincent Pilon – Angela Joosten
5:30 p.m. John James Earle (5th Anniversary of Death) by Mom Joan Levy-Earle & Family

Sunday, July 19th SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30 a.m. Intentions of Parishioners
9:30 a.m. Julia Herjavec & Daughter Nada Basan by the Family
11:00 a.m. Helen Collins by William Haines

Monday, July 20th ST. APOLLINARIS (OM)

7:30 a.m. **No Mass** ORDINARY TIME – WEEK 16
1:00 p.m. Wedding Vincent Pilon & Angela Joosten

Tuesday, July 21st ST. LAWRENCE OF BRINDISI (OM)

7:30 a.m. Souls in Purgatory by a Parishioner

Wednesday, July 22nd ST. MARY MAGDALENE (F)

7:30 a.m. Grace Emeodi by Greg McCullough

Thursday, July 23rd ST. BRIDGET (OM)

7:30 a.m. Mary Fabrizi by Frank & Lucille Ricci

Friday, July 24th ST. SHARBEL MAKHLUF (OM)

7:30 a.m. Grace Emeodi by Florence Gravelle

Saturday, July 25th SAINT JAMES (F)

5:30 p.m. Rick Lalonde by Wife Sue

Sunday, July 26th SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30 a.m. Intentions of Parishioners
9:30 a.m. Sheila Fitzpatrick by Yolande Robinson
11:00 a.m. Jake Lamoureux by Angus Kelly

Monday, July 27th

7:30 a.m. **No Mass** ORDINARY TIME – WEEK 17

IN APPRECIATION

Thank you to all those who have volunteered to help at all the masses. Sanitizing the pews is a strict requirement in order for us to continue having masses. If you can volunteer to help at any mass, please call the office 613-932-9616. More hands make light work.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

“The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a man who sowed good seed in his field...He who sows good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world, the good seed the children of the kingdom.” MATTHEW 13:24, 37-38

As children of God, we are all “good seeds”. We are blessed by God with the potential to accomplish much good in the world. We fulfill God’s plan when we spend time in prayer every day, use our skills to help others and share our financial gifts to help build God’s kingdom on earth. Through our example of gratitude and generosity we sow “good seeds” on earth and ultimately help each other get to Heaven!

TODAY’S READINGS – JULY 19TH, 2020

1st Reading: Wisdom 12.13, 16-19
2nd Reading: Romans 8.26-27
Gospel: Matthew 13.24-43
Let both of them grow together until the harvest.

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

The office will be closed Mondays for the months of July & August 2020.

THANK YOU

Fr. Ernest and the Pastoral team offer sincere gratitude to all parishioners who have continued to support our parish financially during this pandemic and also to all our parishioners who are unable to return to mass due to health reasons but who continue to send their weekly offering through E Transfers and mail. Please continue to pray for each other and our Church.

THANK YOU

Fr. Ernest and the Pastoral Council wish to thank Cathy Miron for her dedicated service as our Eucharistic Minister Coordinator. Thank you and God Bless!

WELCOME

Fr. Ernest and the Pastoral Council extend a warm welcome to Ruth Tyo-Larose who has graciously agreed to serve as the new Eucharistic Minister Coordinator.

MANDATORY MASKS

As of July 07, 2020 it is now mandatory that you wear a mask while in the public space of St. Columban Parish. All persons entering or remaining in these premises must wear a mask that securely covers the nose, mouth and chin as required by the Directive issued under the province’s Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act.

PLEASE NOTE

Confessions will be by appointment only. Please call the office (613.932.9616) and we will schedule a time for you.

SEPTEMBER CEMETERY SERVICE

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, we will not be holding the annual September service this year.

PLEA FOR VOLUNTEERS TO HELP

We all want our Church to prosper and to be here for our families and fellow parishioners. We are requesting parishioners of St. Columban’s Parish to step toward and volunteer to assist in the essential activities surrounding the Masses in our Church. Whether it be sanitizing people’s hands when they enter the Church, ushering people to the appropriate seats, welcoming and providing assistance, sanitizing of the church pews immediately after Mass, being a Eucharistic Minister or any of the other ministries, there is a great need for your help. Seriously consider your role in providing a safe and friendly environment for all of us to pray and receive the sacraments. Don’t let this pandemic limit our ability to worship God in our beautiful Church. To volunteer to help, please call the office at 613-932-9616 or present yourself before the next Mass you attend. The Church needs your help at the 5:30 pm mass on Saturday, or the 7:30 am, 9:30 am or 11:00 am Masses on Sunday, as well as the weekly 7:30 am Masses (excluding Mondays).

IN OUR PARISH AND DIOCESE

PLEASE NOTE

On First Friday of the Month, August 7th, there will be no Adoration, and Confessions are by appointment only until further notice.

PLEASE NOTE: Access the Diocesan Website for further updates concerning Masses, and COVID-19, using address: <https://eng.alexandria-cornwall.ca>

POPE FRANCIS JULY INTENTIONS

Our Families

We pray that today's families may be accompanied with love, respect and guidance.

I would like to remind all parishioners that when entering the church through the main front doors you must stop and allow the ushers to spray your hands with hand sanitizer and then they will direct you to the seating in the MAIN body of the church. If you are handicapped or have mobility issues you will enter and exit at the east side door. everyone else must exit by the west side door.

We will fill the main body of the church pews first and only when they are filled will people be seated in the side pews. This allows the volunteers to sanitize the pews in an orderly and quick way.

To all those who have volunteered to help the ushers and sanitize the pews, thank you and God bless you.

CARING IN THE MIDST OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

July 15, 2020
Today, the members of the Executive Committee of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCCB) released a Message entitled They Still Bring Forth Fruit in Old Age: A Lesson on Caring in the midst of the COVID-19 Pandemic. This timely Message serves as an occasion for the Bishops of Canada to acknowledge the most serious difficulties faced by many vulnerable persons across the country during the pandemic, with particular concerns raised for the elderly in our communities.

SANCTUARY LAMP INTENTION

The sanctuary lamp is a special lamp which is kept close to the tabernacle. The sanctuary lamp remains burning to indicate and honour the presence of Christ.



The living flame of the sanctuary lamp signifies the Eucharistic presence of our Lord Jesus Christ. Sponsorship of the Sanctuary Lamp is available for a week long period of time. Stipend is \$20.00 per week and the intention will be listed in the bulletin.

CATHOLIC INFORMATION CENTRE

We are happy to announce that the Store is **now open** effective June 15th from **Monday to Friday, 10 – 4 pm. Closed Saturdays.** We have in place all the guidelines required by the Health Dept., so we hope that you will feel safe to come in and shop or visit. We are looking forward to seeing everyone again! Reminder: We are located at 146 Chevrier Ave. Tel: 613-933-5099.

ST. COLUMBAN COLLECTION REPORT FOR JULY 05, 2020

Sunday Envelopes	3,810.00
Loose Collection	218.60
Total	\$ 4,028.60

POWER of PRAYER

The parish currently has openings for your Mass Intention. Do you have something to be thankful for, does someone you know need prayers, are you praying for a special need. By having a mass said it allows our parish community to offer their prayers along with you for your intention, we don't have to be alone in prayer. We welcome all those who would like to have a mass or a number of masses said for their intentions.

A PRAYER FOR CANADA IN THE TIME OF COVID-19

O God,

We gather together separated by life-saving distancing, but united more than ever in spirit;

We know we are in a war against COVID - 19 together, and the more together we are, the better and stronger we will emerge;

We know the challenges are enormous, yet so are the opportunities;

That whether we are in isolation with loved ones, or alone, we will have abundance of time;

We commit to using that time to the max, to help those in greater need in whatever way we can;

We know we all have an opportunity, and time, to be lifesavers and life-enhancers;

We give thanks for those who are on the front line taking care of those who are not well;

We give thanks for the researchers who are working at breakneck speed to find cure and vaccine;

We give thanks for our leaders, federal, provincial and local, for their dedication to all of us;

We give thanks for the providers of our daily needs who go to work in spite of the risk;

We give thanks for those who have ramped up their ability to produce life-saving supplies.

We pray for the well-being of all our lifesavers;

For those who are not well, that they recover fully;

For those enduring difficulty that they may overcome their challenges.

We pray that a cure and vaccine will soon be available,

And that we all – family, friends, all Canadians, the entire world may be healed in body and spirit.

We ask you, O God, to bless our leaders, our front line caregivers, our lifesavers and life enhancers.

We ask you, O God, to bless Canada, to bless the world, to bless everyone.

Amen.



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for Us
"Let us work for the good of all, and
especially for the family of the faith" (Galatians 6:10)



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