14TH SUNDAY IN

ORDINARY TIME

5 JULY, 2015

My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.

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 except Tuesdays: 7:30 a.m.

Today's Readings: Ezekiel 2:2-5 Psalm 123:1-4 2 Cor 12:7-10 Mark 6:1-6 A prophet is not without honour, except in his hometown.

Next weekend: Amos 7:12-15 Psalm 85:9-14 Ephesians 1:3-14 Mark 6:7-13

ELECTION AND MISSION

The theme of election runs throughout the Bible in the Old and New Testament. In the Old Testament, God chose Israel and named this people as His own. In the New Testament Jesus is shown as the fulfillment of God's plan of salvation. Jesus is the elect One, the anointed One, the Christ, the long-awaited Messiah foretold by the prophets. Early Christians understood themselves to be God's holy and elect people because of the love of God shown to them in Christ. As faithful followers of Jesus, Christians are the new elect made up of people of every nation. Because they are chosen by God, Jesus' followers have a responsibility to live holy and fruitful lives. Followers of Jesus are called to show the world God's saving love in Christ.

Mark's story of the rejection of Jesus in His hometown highlights several themes consistent with today's focus on prophecy. Jesus' person and message are rejected by those closest to him. It is not Jesus' working or failing to work miracles that provokes such reactions. It is Jesus' teaching, the words He utters, that arouses such resistance: "They said, 'Where did this man get all this? What kind of wisdom has been given Him?' " Mark drives home the point that the power of God is at work in the words of Jesus. Like the prophets who came before Him, Jesus faithfully delivers God's word of power, regardless of the people's acceptance or rejection of that word.

PROPHECY

The prophet is one who is called by God to convey a message to God's people. Taken together, in conveying God's message, the Old Testament prophets accomplished three things. First, they formed a people in the hope of salvation and in the expectation of a new covenant written on their hearts. Second, they proclaimed a radical redemption of God's people from their unfaithfulness, a redemption that ultimately would include all peoples. Third, they helped reveal by the conduct of their own lives the undying love of God for God's people. In other words, prophets function as messengers for the Most High. God's message, conveyed by words or deeds, is delivered by Old Testament prophets under the guise of either criticizing or energizing the people.

In examining the notion of prophecy, it is important to note that we believe God's promise is hidden and is made clear only in the full revelation in Jesus Christ. We also believe that prophecy continued in the early Church. While public revelation (all that is necessary for salvation) ended with the death of the last apostle, private revelation continues today as does the role of prophetic voices in the Church and in the world (speaking the mind and heart of God into situations).

THE GOSPEL IN LIFE

Why is it hard at times to bring God's message to others? Do we trust enough in God's ability to work through our human weakness?

Excerpted from RCL Benziger Lectionary Resources



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CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

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First Saturday, July 4th 8:00 a.m. Rita Laplante by Gilbert Choquette 2:00 p.m. Wedding Sandra Menjivar & Joshua Deschamps 3:15 – 4:00 p.m. Confessions 6:15 – 6:45 p.m. Confessions 7:00 p.m. Deceased employees of S.L.C. by Jocelyn Sauve Sunday, July 5th 7:30 a.m. Intentions of the parishioners 9:30 a.m. Josip Kupina Sr. by Bill Brown 11:00 a.m. Greta Stone by the Lavictoire family Monday, July 6th 7:30 a.m. Laurette Bergeron by the Brand family Tuesday, July 7th No Mass Wednesday, July 8th 8:00 a.m. Eileen Mondoux by the family Thursday, July 9th 7:30 a.m. Sylvia Sullivan by Gerry & Lise Dicola Friday, July 10th 7:30 a.m. Eileen Duplantis by Doris Bourdeau Saturday, July 11th 2:30 – 4:30 p.m. Introduction of Devotion to Blessed Virgin Mary Undoer of Knots 3:15-4:00 p.m. Confessions 6:15-6:45 p.m. Confessions 7:00 p.m. Jacques Lebrun by Madeleine & Donat Lepage Sunday, July 12th 7:30 a.m. Intentions of the parishioners 9:30 a.m. Cyril Dumond by Viola and family 11:00 a.m. Adrien Fournier by George & Madeleine Clarke 12:30 p.m. Baptisms Monday, July 13th 7:30 a.m. Rita Poapst by Stella McDonald

CWL BURSARIES AWARDED

St. Columban's Catholic Women's League awarded bursaries to Grade 12 graduating students on June 24th. Proud recipients were *Joshua McDonald at Holy Trinity and Alexia Lapensee at St. Joseph's.* Congratulations and best wishes.

IN OUR PARISH

Collection 21 June 2015 – Thank You

\$3,439.45 - Sunday Env. \$110.00 – Papal Charities <u>\$ 465.74</u> – Loose \$123.10 - Candles \$3,905.19 - Total

BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, UNDOER OF KNOTS



St. Columban's Parish welcomes Mr. Edson Bosetti of the Apostolate of MARY UNDOER OF KNOTS

Mr. Bosetti will introduce this devotion SATURDAY, 11 JULY - 2:30 TO 4:30 P.M. We all find ourselves bound by various knots ... depression, family discord, unhappiness and feelings of loneliness...these are but a few of the many knots Our Lady can and will undo for you.

Come and learn more – all are welcome.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR 1 - 2:30 p.m., Sunday, 26 July

Parish farewell to Father Jerome who is returning to the Philippines to meet with his Bishop. All parishioners are invited to attend (in the Rectory) Also an opportunity to meet & welcome Fr. Ernest.

HAPPY **45TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY** Deacon Marcel and Heather celebrating 4 July

REST IN THE PEACE AND LOVE OF THE LORD Therese Bouvier, Emile Brunet and all who have died.

IN THE PARISH, DIOCESE & AREA

THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

Throughout this year the diocese will be sending out, by email, a weekly bit of our diocesan history to mark our 125th anniversary. If you would like to receive *This Week in History* and be part of our mailing list please visit the diocesan website and join our list today! (top middle

of the home page): www.alexandria-cornwall.ca

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Starting *September 16th* and continuing every second Wednesday for 24 sessions there will be a study of the **Gospel of Matthew** with Jeff Cavins. The cost is \$50. It will be held in St. Columban Parish Activity Ctr on the second floor of the Agape Centre from 7:00 - 9:00 pm. To register contact Marilynn 613-537-2021 marilynn.light@gmail.com or Heidi 613-347-7561 michaelkrol@xplornet.com

141st Annual Pilgrimage To

STE-ANNE DE BEAUPRE & CAP-DE-LA-MADELEINE from the Dioceses of Alexandria-Cornwall, Ottawa, Gatineau, Pembroke, Mont-Laurier and Kingston *Join our celebrant,* Bishop Marcel Damphousse.
SATURDAY & SUNDAY, AUGUST 8TH AND 9TH (Organized by Ste-Anne-de-Beaupre Shrine)

> For more information contact Mike Budge at 613-224-8110 www.ste-anne-de-beaupre.com

WOMEN'S SILENT RETREAT

4, 5, 6 SEPTEMBER at Shalom House in Alexandria. Please register early (by 16 August) as there is a limited number of spaces.
The cost is \$185. with a deposit of \$100. due upon registration. For more information call Heidi 613-347-7561 or Marilynn 613-537-2021.

MASS OF THANKSGIVING - DVD

The Diocese has created a DVD of the Mass of Thanksgiving. If you would like to relive the memories or see it for the first time then you will want to purchase your very own copy. DVDs are \$10. and can be <u>ORDERED UNTIL JULY 14TH.</u> Contact Marie at 613-933-1138, ext. 22 or email her at diocese@alexandria-cornwall.ca

THEOLOGY ON TAP

This monthly encounter is for young adults and their friends (married or single), where fun, friends and faith mix in a very relaxed and inspiring atmosphere. A variety of speakers share aspects of Theology of the Body (the "St. Joh Paul II's integrated vision of the human person). The July encounter will take place 8 P.M., FRL, 17 JULY AT ALEXANDRIA PIZZA RESTAURANT.

For more info contact fguilmette@alexandria-cornwall.ca

WORLD YOUTH DAY 2016, CRACOW, POLAND

In July 2016, 2 million young adults (ages 18-35) will participate in an amazing pilgrimage to Cracow, the city of Mercy, the city of John Paul II. At the moment, we have a 2 week package in Europe (Prague, Lotz, Auchwitz, Cracow) for approximately \$2,300. Non-refundable \$500. deposit is required for **REGISTRATION BY 12 JULY.** Contact Sister Francine, FMA: fquilmette@alexandria-cornwall.ca or 613-933-1138

PILGRIMAGE TO CALVARY

Calvary is one of our Diocese's hidden treasures. Located in Green Valley, behind the parish of Ste-Marie-de-l'Assomption, Calvary is a unique outdoor Way of the Cross that is open year round. Each summer, monthly outdoor Masses are celebrated in the midst of this remarkable site. **ON WEDNESDAY, JULY 15TH**, the Diocese will host a special evening pilgrimage. In addition to a visit to Calvary, we will enjoy a wonderful summer supper at Shalom House. Following the meal, we will go to Calvary where we will pray the Stations of the Cross and celebrate Mass with Bishop Marcel Damphousse. <u>Tickets are just \$10 a person & includes</u> transportation & meal.

TICKETS CAN BE PURCHASED UNTIL JULY 7^{TH} at the Catholic Information Centre (146 Chevrier) Buy your ticket today – Only 48 spots on the bus

PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE AND IRELAND accompanied by Father Bernard Cameron OCTOBER 16TH TO NOVEMBER 1ST, 2015 Single - \$3,655. + taxes - Double \$3,155. + taxes Deposit upon registration \$500. Balance due by 10 July 2015. For more information call Ann Germain-MacMillan 613-534-8366.





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