

The Transfiguration shows the glory of Jesus but also comes with the warning of Jesus, that he was 'destined to suffer' in Jerusalem, and that those who are his true followers must 'take up their cross and follow him'.

# ST. COLUMBAN

## PARISH

2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT (A)

MARCH 12, 2017

### PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Fr. Ernest Emeke Emeodi, Parochial Administrator

Rev. Fr. Claude Hallé, Guest Priest

Rev. Mr. Chris Chisholm, Deacon

### 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, March 11th

3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Confessions

5:30 p.m. Deceased Members of the Picard & McDougall Families by Frances Picard

## Sunday, March 12th **SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT**

7:30 a.m. Intentions of Parishioners

9:30 a.m. Ernie Filion by Elaine Lebrun

11:00 a.m. Shirley Elliott by Daphne Dube

## Monday, March 13th

7:30 a.m. No Mass

## Tuesday, March 14th

7:30 a.m. John Thompson by Cousin Elaine Lebrun

12:10 p.m. Isabel Parisien by Mary & Keith Grant

## Wednesday, March 15th

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

12:10 p.m. Annie Emberg by Jean McLennan

## Thursday, March 16th

7:30 a.m. Sylvia Etwell (23rd Anniversary of Death) by Daughter Kelly Poitras & Family

12:10 p.m. Helen Latulippe by Don & Pauline Primeau

## Friday, March 17th **ST. PATRICK (OM)**

7:30 a.m. Cheryl Tessier by Darlene Walsh

12:10 p.m. Jack Haworth by Marion Tobin

5:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross

## Saturday, March 18th **ST. CYRIL of JERUSALEM (OM)**

3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Confessions

5:30 p.m. Ernie Filion by Elaine & Don Smith

## Sunday, March 19th **THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT**

7:30 a.m. Intentions of Parishioners

9:30 a.m. Lorraine Barkley by Sylvia & Lionel Leblanc

11:00 a.m. Eileen Duplantis (2nd Anniversary of Death) by Daughter Brenda LaRocque

## Monday, March 20th **SAINT JOSEPH, PRINCIPAL PATRON**

7:30 a.m. No Mass **OF CANADA (S)**

## **TODAY'S READINGS – MARCH 12<sup>TH</sup>**

1st Reading: Genesis 12.1-4

2nd Reading: Timothy 1.8b-10

Gospel: Matthew 17.1-9

Jesus face shone like the sun.

## **COFFEE & CHAT SUNDAY**

Get to know your fellow parishioners, stop at the 4th Street entrance for coffee and cookies after all Masses this weekend.

## **ADDITIONAL MASSES AND STATIONS OF THE CROSS DURING LENT**

Beginning Tuesday March 07, There will be a 12:10 Mass Tuesday to Friday during Lent. Also, beginning Friday March 10, 2017 we will be having Stations of the Cross on Fridays at 5:30 p.m. during Lent.

## **CHICKEN DINNER FUNDRAISER FOR PATRONS OF ST. COLUMBAN FOUNDATION**

For the restoration of our historic St. Columban's Church, hosted by the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 297, 415 Second St., West, Cornwall 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., Sunday April 2. Tickets available after masses the weekend of March 18-19, March 25-26. 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.

## **MASS INTENTIONS**

The Church offers us a wonderful way of bringing 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. We have 12:10 Masses available through Lent for your Intentions.

## **50 YEARS OF SHARE LENT**

On Ash Wednesday, Development and Peace – Caritas Canada will launch its 50th annual Share Lent campaign, entitled Women at the Heart of Change. This year, the Share Lent collection will take place on April 2nd, which is Solidarity Sunday.

## **YOU STILL HAVE TIME TO JOIN ALPHA**

If you missed the meeting there is still time to join ALPHA. Based on hospitality, sharing and open conversation, ALPHA enables people to ask their questions, share ideas, build friendships and experience the love of God through the power of the Holy Spirit. For information please call 613-363-5331.

## **ST. JULIAN'S CHAPEL**

Anxious? Lonely? Depressed? Do you need peace? 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!

IN OUR **PARISH**

**LENT: A TIME TO GIVE UP AND A TIME TO GIVE**

Instead of giving up chocolate or other indulgences why not consider giving to your parish. In serving your Church and fellow parishioners it will truly help to deepen your faith and draw you closer to God in service to him and your Parish community. Through your gifts of time and talent you will truly be the hands and feet of Jesus Christ here in St. Columban's Parish. Please consider becoming a part of this Parish family. Here are a few suggestions of Ministries needing you: Adult Alter Servers, Choir Members, Readers, Sacristan, Ushers.

**ST. PATRICK'S DAY TEA & BAKE SALE**

St. Columban's Catholic Women's League  
St. Patrick's Day Tea & Bake Sale  
Friday March 17, 2017 - 1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.  
Parish Activity Centre, Admission \$7.00  
Basket draw, Bake sale, Candy table

**DIOCESAN DAY OF CONFESSIONS WEDNESDAY MARCH 22**

The Gift of God's Mercy. Come and experience the healing mercy of God in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. No matter how long it has been, or how much or how little you have to confess, Jesus is waiting for you. St. Columban Parish – 1 p.m. to 8 p.m.

**St. Vincent de Paul Lenten Food Drive**

We again are providing our Lenten Calendar. As a recent scripture reading noted... "if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted your light will rise in the darkness, and your darkest hour will shine like noon." Your participation in our 'drive' offers a means to live these words and has the benefit of providing for the needy in our area through the coming year. Each week a specific food product is highlighted as one of our 'staples', though any and all food donated will be collected and is needed. As info, our 2016 Annual Report is provided on the reverse side of the calendar.

**St. Columban Collection Report for February 26, 2017**

Sunday Envelopes	3,637.50
Loose Collection	395.48
Initial Offering	5.00
Flowers	200.00
Italian Supper	443.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 4,680.98</b>

IN OUR **DIOCESE**

**THE EUTHANASIA DECEPTION**

In what should send chills down your spine, researchers from the University of Calgary recently wrote in the Canadian Medical Association Journal, "Medical assistance in dying could reduce annual health care spending across Canada by between \$34.7 million and \$138.8 million." On March 28th at 7 pm and on April 4th at 2 pm at the Agora Catholic Centre, the Diocese and Pro-Life Cornwall will present the excellent documentary "The Euthanasia Deception". Following the one hour documentary, there will be a short presentation about what you need to know to protect you and your family (including information on Powers of Attorney and Living Wills) as well as what you can do to influence the law going forward. Please mark your calendar.

**OUR LADY OF MEDJUGORJE'S MARCH 2, 2017 MONTHLY MESSAGE ON THE DAY FOR NONBELIEVERS THROUGH MIRJANA**

"Dear children, with motherly love I am coming to help you to have more love and that means more faith. I am coming to help you to live with love the words of my Son, so that the world would be different. Therefore, apostles of my love, I am gathering you around myself. Look at me with the heart, speak to me as to a mother about your pains, sufferings and your joys. Ask me to pray to my Son for you. My Son is merciful and just. My motherly heart would desire that you, apostles of my love, speak of my Son and of me to all those around you with your life; so that the world would be different; that simplicity and purity would return; that faith and hope would return. Thank You."

**PRO-LIFE SPAGHETTI SUPPER**

Pro Life Cornwall Pro-Vie invites everyone to the Annual Spaghetti Supper on Sunday March 12, 2017 at the Agora Centre. Meals served from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. The menu consists of regular and gluten free spaghetti, regular and vegetarian spaghetti sauce, caesar and tossed salads, and homemade desserts. Cost is \$8.00 per adult. Children under 12 are free. Come and join us for this family friendly meal. Anyone wishing to donate a dessert or volunteer please contact Joan at 613-931-2087 for further information. Take-out orders available.

**BOOK CLUB / DISCUSSION**

**Language of the Heart – How to Read the Bible (by Noel Cooper)**

Come join us for 7 weeks – Thursday, March 2 to Thursday, April 20, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. (not on Thursday of Holy Week). Books available on loan. Bring your bible. "The essential purpose of Scripture study is to enable believers to seek strength and meaning in Scriptures." Cost is \$35.00. Location is at Maison Shalom House, 170 St. Paul Street, Alexandria, ON. Information and Registration: Sr. Sue Burns, csc Phone: 613-525-1704 or E-mail: maisonshalomhouse@bellnet.ca

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