

In today's Gospel, Jesus announces, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified." But this glorification will take place only after his suffering and Death on the Cross. Jesus uses the example of a grain of wheat that only produces fruit when it falls to the ground and dies. He promises that those who die to themselves by serving him will know the reward of eternal life.

# ST. COLUMBAN

## PARISH

**FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT (B)**

**MARCH 21, 2021**

### PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Fr. Ernest Emeka Emeodi, Parochial Administrator  
Rev. Mr. Guy Côté, Deacon

### MASSES & SACRAMENTS

Saturday Vigil	5:30 PM
Sunday	7:30, 9:30 & 11:00 AM
Tuesday – Friday	7:30 AM
Confession	By appointment only, Tuesday - Thursday
Baptism	Please notify one month in advance
Marriages	Please notify 6 months in advance

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# ST. COLUMBAN PARISH

## CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

### Saturday, March 20th

5:30 p.m. Rev. George Maloney by Allan & Rita Boyce

### Sunday, March 21st

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

NATIONAL COLLECTION FOR DEVELOPMENT & PEACE

7:30 a.m. Intention of Parishioners

9:30 a.m. Yvonne Goodwin by William Haines

11:00 a.m. Vaso & Brigitte Miskilin by Patricia & Bill Roddy

### Monday, March 22nd

7:30 a.m. **No Mass** LENT – WEEK 5

### Tuesday, March 23rd

ST. TURIBIUS OF MOGROVEJO (OM)

7:30 a.m. Julia Herjavec & Daughter Nada Basan by the Family

12:10 p.m. Florence Gravelle by Doreen Hebert

### Wednesday, March 24th

7:30 a.m. Grace Ann Robinson by John Andrew

12:10 p.m. Angus MacDonald by Elizabeth & Jenny

### Thursday, March 25th

THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD (S)

7:30 a.m. Dan Bobka by Angus Kelly

12:10 p.m. A Personal Intention by Teresa Khidir

### Friday, March 26th

7:30 a.m. Florence Gravelle by Frank & Lucille Ricci

12:10 p.m. A Special Intention for Mila by a Parishioner

### Saturday, March 27th

5:30 p.m. Maureen & Leonard Morin by Brian Morin

### Sunday, March 28th

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

WORLD DAY OF YOUTH

7:30 a.m. Intention of Parishioners

9:30 a.m. Joan Levy Earle by Rick & Bernadette McRae

11:00 a.m. Irene McLennan by Daughter Jean McLennan

### Monday, March 29th

7:30 a.m. **No Mass** HOLY WEEK

In Rank Order: (S) Solemnity, (F) Feast, (M) Memorial, (OM) Optional Memorial.

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## STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

*"I will be their God and they shall be my people."*

- JEREMIAH 31:33

*What does it mean to be God's people? It means we recognize that everything we have and everything we are belongs to God. We aren't "owners" of anything; we are merely "stewards" of the gifts God has given us. It means we are willing to use our gifts and our lives to care for our family, our neighbours and for people we don't know, just as God cares for each of us.*

## PLEASE NOTE

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

## TODAY'S READINGS – MARCH 21<sup>ST</sup>, 2021

1st Reading: Jeremiah 31.31-34

2nd Reading: Hebrews 5.7-9

Gospel: John 12.20-33

If a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it bears much fruit.

## IN OUR PARISH

### PLEASE NOTE

The Parish Office will be closed Easter Monday, April 05th, 2021.



### HOLY WEEK MASS SCHEDULE

Holy Thursday 7:00 p.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper

Adoration for one hour after Mass

Good Friday 3:00 p.m. Passion of the Lord

7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

Holy Saturday 8:00 p.m. EASTER VIGIL

Easter Sunday 7:30, 9:30 & 11:00 a.m. Resurrection of the Lord

Easter Monday No Mass

### DEACON GUY'S REFLECTION

Biblical scholars commonly divide the Gospel of John into two parts, 1- The Book of Signs & 2- The Book of Glory. This week we read from John 12, which is the last chapter in the Book of Signs. As you continue to read in John, chapter 13 begins with the washing of the Disciples' feet, moves to the Passion, Death & Resurrection of Christ.

In John, The Book of Signs builds our faith in Christ, and the Book of Glory defines our faith and our Hope in Christ. DG

Deacon Guy's website is [thedeaconguy.ca](http://thedeaconguy.ca)

### IN GRATITUDE

We wish to express our deep gratitude to you the parishioners, for your continued support of our church, for your time, talent and treasure we thank you and appreciate all you do to help keep our doors open during this pandemic.

### CONTACT TRACING FORM

When arriving at church, **everyone** needs to sign the Contact Tracing Form and include their phone number. The Contact Tracing form is strictly used **only** if the EOHU contacts us. This form will be shredded after two months as per the directive from the Diocese.

### ATTENDANCE RESTRICTIONS ELEVATED

Restrictions have been lifted enough that we are back to having thirty percent (30%) capacity in the church for masses. This change came into effect starting on Tuesday, February 16, 2021.

### LIVING WITH CHRIST MONTHLY MISSALS

Missals for March are available at the Church for purchase; the cost is \$3.25 each, and you can pick one up Tuesday – Friday before or after 7:30 a.m. Mass or at the weekend Masses.

### PATRONS OF ST. COLUMBAN FOUNDATION

During the present Covid-19 pandemic lockdown, you can donate to the Foundation to restore the church steeple and install a new cross by putting a donation in an envelope addressed to the Patrons of St. Columban Foundation and mail it to Patrons of St. Columban Foundation, 36 4<sup>th</sup> St., West, Cornwall, ON., K6J 2R6 or drop it off in the parish office mailbox at 36 4<sup>th</sup> St. West. Cheques should be made payable to the Patrons of St. Columban Foundation. Thank you for your continued support.

### POPE FRANCIS MARCH INTENTIONS

**Intention for evangelization - Sacrament of reconciliation**

Let us pray that we may experience the sacrament of reconciliation with renewed depth, to taste the infinite mercy of God.

## IN OUR PARISH AND DIOCESE

### PLEASE JOIN US

Every Friday during Lent, we will be doing the Stations of the Cross. Join Fr. Ernest at 5:30 p.m. in the Church. Please note you will need to sign in for this and volunteers will be required to sanitize pews after.

### VOLUNTEERS

In order for St. Columban's to remain open during this Pandemic we need volunteers to sanitize pews after every mass or service held in the church. This does not take long and gloves are provided. Will you be the hands of Christ?

### CONTACT TRACING FORM

When arriving at church **everyone** needs to sign the Contact Tracing Form and include your phone number.

### KNEELERS

When leaving the church you must leave the kneeler in the **down position** for the volunteers who are sanitizing the pews.

### HOLY WEEK AND EASTER CEREMONIES ADAPTED TO THE COVID RESTRICTIONS

#### Palm Sunday

Please note that palms will be handed out (no choosing your own) as you enter the church by a volunteer wearing a mask and gloves. The liturgies of Palm Sunday will begin with the blessings of palms from the altar and the proclamation of the Gospel, but without the procession of palms through the church. The liturgy will then proceed in the usual way.

#### Chrism Mass (March 30, 2021)

Celebrated at the Basilica of Notre Dame in Ottawa with representation by invitation only from priests, deacons, religious and laity from throughout the diocese. The blessing of Holy Oils will then be given to the deans to be distributed within their deaneries.

#### Holy Thursday (7:00 p.m.)

The washing of feet will be omitted. At the end of the Holy Mass, the Blessed Sacrament will be reposed in the tabernacle. There will be no procession to a special place of reposition. There will be one hour of adoration immediately following the mass.

#### Good Friday (3:00 p.m.)

The adoration of the Cross by kissing it shall be limited solely to the Priest. We will venerate the cross as an assembly (staying at one's seat) rather than individually. The Stations of the Cross will be at 7:00 p.m. and will not be a joint service as in previous years.

#### Easter Vigil (8:00 p.m.)

There will be no lighting of the Easter candle outside. The tapers will be handed out by volunteers as you enter. There is no procession and the tapers will be lit row by row like we do communion. The tapers will be discarded at the end of mass in the baskets provided at the exit doors.

### ST. COLUMBAN COLLECTION REPORT FOR MARCH 07, 2021

Sunday Envelopes	3,698.00
Loose Collection	266.90
Total	\$ 3,964.90

### SAINT OF THE WEEK

#### ST. TURIBIUS OF MOGROVEJO – March 23<sup>rd</sup>

Born in Spain and educated for the law, he became so brilliant a scholar that he was made professor of law at the University of Salamanca. Eventually, he became chief judge of the Inquisition at Granada. He succeeded too well. But he was not sharp enough a lawyer to prevent a surprising sequence of events. When the archdiocese of Lima in Peru required a new leader, Turibius was chosen to fill the post: He was the one person with the strength of character and holiness of spirit to heal the infected scandals area.

Over the fierce objections of Turibius, he was ordained priest and bishop and was sent to Peru, where he found colonialism at its worst. The Spanish conquerors were guilty of every sort of oppression of the native population. Abuses among the clergy were also flagrant, and he devoted his energies and suffering to this area first.

He began the long and arduous visitation of an immense archdiocese, studying the language, staying two or three days in each place, often with neither bed nor food. Turibius confessed every morning to his chaplain and celebrated Mass with intense fervour.

Though very poor, his people were sensitive, dreading to accept public charity from others. Turibius solved the problem by helping them anonymously. Together with Rose of Lima, Turibius is the first known saint of the New World, serving the Lord in Peru, South America, for 26 years. He is the Patron Saint of Latin American Bishops and native people's rights.

Reflection: The Lord indeed writes straight with crooked lines. Against his will, and from the unlikely springboard of an Inquisition tribunal, this man became the Christ-like shepherd of a poor and oppressed people. God gave him the gift of loving others as they needed it. Franciscan media

### Ask the Deacon guy...

**Question: Why does the priest or deacon kiss the book after proclaiming the Gospel?**

**Answer:** After the Gospel reading, he kisses the Gospel that he just proclaimed. This kiss is a sign of gratitude and reverence for the Word of God in the Gospel. As he is kissing the Book of the Gospel, he silently prays, "Through the words of the Gospel may our sins be wiped away." This prayer reminds the priest that our salvation and forgiveness of sins come from the Gospel message.

At the end of the Gospel, the priest or deacon says, "The Gospel of the Lord." As one community, we respond "Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ" as a sign of thanksgiving and acceptance of God's Word that we have received in our ears and in our hearts.

In many churches on the ambo's front side, there is a place for the scriptures to be enthroned. However, in all cases, after the Gospel is proclaimed, the book holding Christ's Word should be treated with dignity and not just placed aside. **\*\*\* Respectfully, we remain standing until the Book of the Gospels is enthroned. \*\*\***

The Book of the Gospels should be visible during the Liturgy of the Eucharist because, having been fed by the Word of God proclaimed, we approach the table of the Lord to be fed by the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ.



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