ASCENSION OF

THE LORD

17 MAY, 2015

The gifts He gave were ... to equip the saints for the work of ministry.

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: Acts 1:1-11 Psalm 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 Eph 4:1-13 4:1-7, 11-13 Mark 16:15-20

You will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now. Further Reflection from the Catechism: CCC: 1293-1305 CCCC: 267-268 YOUCAT: 203-205

CELEBRATING THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION This coming Tuesday we will rejoice with second grade students and their families from St. Columban's School, Bishop Macdonell School and the parish program as they prayerfully receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. Baptism, Confirmation and First Communion are collectively known as Sacraments of Initiation; they help us to enter into the life of Christ and His Church. Sacraments are special moments of grace – encounters with God Himself – using outward signs to convey interior, otherwise largely unseen realities. God designed Sacraments to be celebrated within the context of the worshipping community.

PHOTOS & VIDEOS: IMPORTANT NOTE FOR ALL IN ATTENDANCE

Bishop Marcel, like Bishop Paul-Andre before him, has provided clear parameters for the Confirmation liturgy. In order to help maintain a prayerful atmosphere, the parish has assigned an official photographer experienced in liturgy to document Confirmation. Our photographer will ensure that each family can have access to quality photographs from Confirmation. Prior to the 7 p.m. start time, at a TABLE NEAR THE MAIN DOOR, FAMILIES ARE WELCOME TO ORDER A \$10. PHOTO PACKAGE consisting of an 8" x 10" posed photo of the entire group, customized with an inset of their child being anointed by Bishop Marcel with five 4" x 6" photos rounding out the package. This includes your child beng anointed and 4 photos from the liturgy. Samples from last year will be available for viewing. Immediately after the liturgy, those Confirmed will be invited forward for the official group photo; families & friends are asked to remain in the pews until the photographer has completed his duties. This minimizes distracting the children from looking at the camera & avoids other flashes interferring with the official photo. Then you will be invited forward by the photographer to take any posed photos you wish. There are to be no other photos or video TAKEN UNTIL THAT POINT AFTER THE LITURGY. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.





PASTORAL STAFF Rev. Fr. Jerome Pastores, Parochial Administrator Rev. Mr. Marcel Brunet, Deacon Rev. Fr. Claude Halle, Guest Priest

> OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR Mrs. Kelly Poitras

OFFICE HOURS Mon. toThurs. 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Evenings by appointment

> **BAPTISMS** By appointment 1 month in advance

MARRIAGES Please give 6 months notice

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 3:00 to 4:00 p.m. Saturday 6:15 to 6:45 p.m. Also by appointment

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CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

Saturday, May 16th

3:00 - 4:00 p.m. Confessions
6:15 - 6:45 p.m. Confessions
7:00 p.m. Deceased family members of Marion Tobin

Sunday, May 17th

7:30 a.m. LouAnna Macdougall by Alex MacDougall
9:30 a.m. Intentions of the Parishioners
11:00 a.m. Armand Lafrance (14th anniversary of death) by Diane & Gilles Lafrance

12:30 p.m. Baptisms

Monday, May 18th 7:30 a.m. Duncan & Irene McLennan by daughter Jean

Tuesday, May 19th 7:00 p.m. *Confirmation*

Wednesday, May 20th 7:30 a.m. Mavis Menard by Pauline & Andre Roy

Thursday, May 21st 7:30 a.m. In thanksgiving by a parishioner

Friday, May 22nd 7:30 a.m. Mae Lapierre & deceased family members by the estate

Saturday, May 23rd

3:00 - 4:00 p.m. Confessions
6:15 - 6:45 p.m. Confessions
7:00 p.m. Arthur (Buster) Poitras by son Raymond & family

Sunday, May 24th

7:30 a.m. Allan Tait by wife Norah Tait
9:30 a.m. Intentions of the parishioners
11:00 a.m. Jean Margaret MacDonald by Christine Langlois & family

Monday, May 25th 7:30 a.m. Cyril Ridal by Shannon Bellefeuille



COFFEE AND CHAT

AFTER ALL MASSES THIS WEEKEND. Please consider stopping at the 4th St. entrance to the Church and spend a little time with a fellow parishioner or visitor.

LIGHTHOUSE CATHOLIC MEDIA AUDIO CD WEEKEND PRACTICAL AIDS FOR THE NEW EVANGELIZATION

During the coffee and chat time after Masses, parishioners will be staffing our kiosk with a selection of *inspiring talks from the very best Catholic presenters*. Take advantage of this opportunity to purchase a few to enhance your own spiritual growth and/or to share with someone you care about. Topics include testimonies, Church teaching, and much more. EACH CD IS STILL ONLY \$5.

IN OUR PARISH

Collection 03 May, 2015 - Thank You			
Sunday	\$ 3,976.70	Easter	\$ 27.00
Loose	495.70	Vocation Sunday	190.00
Total	\$ 4,472.40	Papal Charities	5.00
Candles	\$147.00	Good Friday/Holy Land	25.00
Books	120.30	Initial Offering	5.00

BIKE-A-THON PLUS – SATURDAY, MAY 23RD FUNDRAISER FOR CHILDREN'S TREATMENT CENTRE Anyone wishing to sponsor Fr. Jerome or other members of the St. Columban's Parish Teams, please use one of the forms on the Church registers. Make your cheque payable to the *Children's Treatment Centre* and put it in the envelope attached to the form. Thank you. Your support of the Children's Treatment Centre is greatly appreciated.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

The parish would like to honor in a special way couples celebrating Wedding Anniversaries this year (2015) in the multiples of 5 (i.e. 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, etc). If you are celebrating or know of other parishioners who are celebrating one of these anniversaries, please let us know by *calling the office (613-932-9616) <u>this week</u> (Monday to Thursday 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.)*

ST. COLUMBAN'S CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE NEWS MOTHER'S DAY ROSES

Thank you for your support. All donations are sent to the missions - 75% to Our Lady's Missionaries and 25% to Catholic Missions in Canada. Special thanks to all who made the roses and those who greeted parishioners at Church. ANNUAL MEMBERS BANQUET, TUESDAY, 9 JUNE Tickets (\$25.) are available at the office. Mass in the Church at 5:15 p.m. Dinner follows at Cornwall Golf & Country Club.

EMERGENCY IN NEPAL- DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE

Our thoughts and prayers are with the people of Nepal. The destructive 7.8 magnitude earthquake has caused over 10,000 deaths and thousands of injuries. The amount of destruction is overwhelming, and the priority needs are to provide tarps and tents, water, food, sanitation, and hygiene items to the victims. Development and Peace is working with other Caritas members to assist Caritas Nepal in providing humanitarian aid.

You can contribute to these much needed relief efforts by donating to Development and Peace. Your contribution to help the victims of the earthquake will be *matched by the Canadian Government until 25 May.* Use envelope provided & make cheque payable to St. Columban's Parish. Receipts issued at year end – be sure to include your name and address.

IN THE DIOCESE & AREA

PRO-LIFE - BABY BOTTLE FUNDRAISER

Pick up a baby bottle and during the months of May and June, drop loose change in the bottle - return the bottle on Father's Day. Funds collected will be forwarded to Pro-Life Cornwall to help in the education of all people about the positive work of the prolife movement. Receipts issued for donations of \$10. or more, accompanied with name and address.

SHALOM FUNDRAISING SALE: 9 TO 5 P.M., 15-16-17 MAY At Shalom, 170 St-Paul St., Alexandria – Dishes, kitchenware, furniture, bed & bath linens, Christmas & religious articles, etc.

PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE

with Father Bernard Cameron. Includes 5 day side trip to Ireland. Leaves Montreal 16 October; return flight 1 November. For more info contact Ann Germain-MacMillan at 613-534-8366.

St. Francis de Sales K of C Council 11531 is hosting a SPAGHETTI DINNER 5:30 TO 7 P.M., SAT., 23 MAY In the Parish Hall. Ceasar salad, spaghetti & meat sauce, garlic bread, dessert, tea, coffee, juice. Adults \$10; children \$5. Proceeds to St. Francis de Sales CWL to aid in their work.

TESTIMONY WORKSHOP - 2 TO 4 P.M., SUN. 24 MAY At Blessed Sacrament Parish Hall. LEARN TO TELL YOUR STORY, the account of how Jesus has touched your life. This interactive session will help you prepare a brief testimony you can use when friends & family ask you the "reason for your hope" or how you can be so peaceful in times of difficulty.

MONTHLY PRAISE & WORSHIP NIGHT 6:30-7:30 P.M., THURSDAY, 28 MAY

Come and sing your hearts out to our Lord or just listen to the music and offer it up. It's a casual prayerful hour with Jesus. At St. Peter's Church - Everyone is welcome.

CATHOLIC YOUTH CONFERENCE (YOUTH IN GRADES 8 TO 12) STEUBENVILLE-TORONTO + 7 TO 9 AUGUST Advance registration required.

\$325. includes 2 nights in hotel, 6 meals & access to events. For more info contact Sister Francine at 613-933-1138 ext. 28

WORLD COMMUNICATION DAY

The family is not a subject of debate or a terrain for ideological skirmishes. Rather, it is an environment in which we learn to communicate in an experience of closeness, a setting where communication takes place, a "communicating community". The family is a community which provides help, which celebrates life & is fruitful. At times the media can tend to present the family as a kind of abstract model which has to be accepted or rejected,

defended or attacked, rather than as a living reality. Families should be seen as a resource rather than as a problem for society. Families at their best actively communicate by their witness the beauty & the richness of the relationship between man & woman, & between parents & children. We are not fighting to defend the past. Rather, with patience & trust, we are working

to build a better future for the world in which we live.

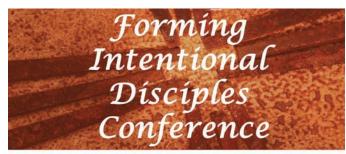
MASS OF THANKSGIVING, 7 P.M., THURS., 21 MAY FOR THE DIOCESE'S 125TH ANNIVERSARY Bishop Marcel invites you to join him at Nativity Co-Cathedral for a Mass of Thanksgiving. There will be a number of interesting special guests including Bishop Eugène P. LaRocque, Bishop Paul-André Durocher & His Excellency Luigi Bonazzi. Pope's Representative in Canada. A public reception, as well as an exhibition for the year of Consecrated life will follow Mass at the Agora Catholic Centre. The Co-Cathedral seats more than 600 people – help us fill it as we thank God for all the blessings He has bestowed upon us.



The Year for Consecrated Life began on 21 November. According to Vatican statistics, there are nearly one million people living religious, consecrated lives within the

Church. It's important that we pray for those who live religious lives, and that we meditate and listen so that we too may hear if the Holy Spirit is calling us to join them.

FINAL WEEKEND TO REGISTER FOR



Joín us on May 30, 2015 for an all day workshop

Keith Strohm of the Siena Institute

This practical conference and workshop will help you understand the meaning of the New Evangelization and the urgent need for our parishes to become houses of discipleship. The workshop focuses on the need to awaken our personal faith so that we will become more capable of putting our gifts and talents to use.



Potsdam Student Union Multi-Purpose Room \$40 U.S. www.rcdony.org/fid - lunch provided.

FREE BUS sponsored by the Diocese leaves the OLD Walmart Parking Lot at 8 AM, returning after conference at 5 PM. Call to reserve a seat on the bus leaving name and contact info: Don at 613-932-8952

Passport or acceptable Customs ID needed to board the bus.





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