

5TH SUNDAY

OF EASTER

3 MAY, 2015

Whoever abides in Me
and I in them bears much
fruit, because apart from
Me you can do nothing.

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 9:26-31

Psalms 22

1 John 3:18-24

John 15:4-5

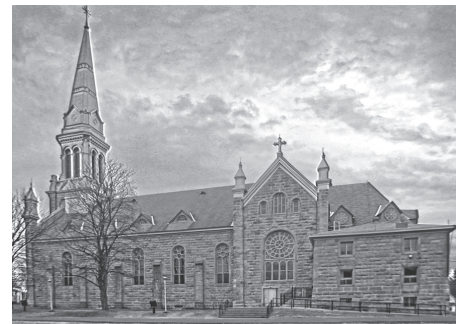
My Father is glorified
by this, that you bear
much fruit and
become My disciples.

Further Reflection from the Catechism:

CCC: 243, 725

CCCC: 47, 142

YOUCAT: 38, 117



OUR PARTICIPATION IN THE NEW EVANGELIZATION

This past weekend some in our parish participated in the New Evangelization Summit at Agora Catholic Centre, one of 21 remote sites for the Ottawa conference.



Event organizer Michael Dopp reminded us that the New Evangelization is first and foremost the re-evangelization of the Baptized – converting Catholics to Catholicism.

Dr. Scott Hahn spoke of how people listen more readily to witnesses than preachers – all Christians need to be effective witnesses – through friendship and joy we can hope to reach our family and friends.

Ken Yasinski addressed the call for everyone of us to become a saint – it's God's will. Sainthood is now, here, for all, and it multiplies.

JoEllen Gregus spoke of the parish-based Light of the World retreat, which is being employed in hundreds of parishes, and allows parishioners to fall in love with the Lord. She referred to small groups as the meat and potatoes with the retreat being the dessert. She said that God is not random, but very intentional and so should His disciples be.

Ralph Martin was clear that too many people try to make God in their own image – that's idolatry. Christian conversion has as its aim a complete and sincere adherence to Christ and His Gospel through faith. He spoke of Divine Mercy and the coming Year of Mercy – a powerful way that God is reaching out to the world today. Mercy requires a response.

Fr. Michael Gaitley spoke in greater depth about how for 30+ years we've been living in a time of Mercy. Reflecting upon the abundance of evil evident in the world, he reminded us of Romans 5:20 – where sin abounds, grace abounds all the more. Embrace the grace.

Fr. James Mallon shared on his parish experience of transformation, advocating the need to submit the church infrastructure (all buildings, schedules, etc) to the mission of the Church. Every building and resource is to serve the cause of the Kingdom; to do otherwise is idolatry. He spoke of the importance of process, rather than just programs. His parish goal is 70% mature disciples and 70% of ministry hours outward-focused.

Patrick Coffin elaborated on the phrase: "The Medium is the Message." The medium conditions the way the message is heard.

In his summation, Michael Dopp spoke on hope for the future of the world, cautioning us not to mistake optimism (which he called poison) for genuine Christian hope.

Our next steps include (details inside this bulletin):

1. Testimony Workshop at Blessed Sacrament – May 24th.
2. Forming Intentional Disciples 1 day conference in Potsdam – May 30th.

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Mon. to Thurs. 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Evenings by appointment

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By appointment
1 month in advance

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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 2nd

7:00 – 7:25 a.m. Confessions
 8:00 a.m. Mavis Menard by Peggy & Harold McRae
 3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Confessions
 6:15 – 6:45 p.m. Confessions
 7:00 p.m. Mary Wylie by Ron & Marilyn

Sunday, May 3rd - CROWNING OF MARY AFTER MASSES

7:30 a.m. Harry Toves by Rod Coughlan
 9:30 a.m. Intentions of the parishioners
 11:00 a.m. Eileen Duplantis by St. Columban's 11 a.m. Choir

Monday, May 4th

7:30 a.m. Jeannine Lauber by Joe Parisien & family

Wednesday, May 6th

7:30 a.m. Sheila McCool by Jean & Kay

Thursday, May 7th

7:30 a.m. In Thanksgiving to the Sacred Heart of Jesus
 by a parishioner

Friday, May 8th

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

Saturday, May 9th

3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Confessions
 6:15 – 6:45 p.m. Confessions
 7:00 p.m. Gertrude Poitras by daughter Noella Gauthier

Sunday, May 10th

7:30 a.m. Lawrence Campbell (1st Anniversary of death) by
 the family
 9:30 a.m. Intentions of the parishioners
 11:00 a.m. Annette Champagne by daughter Marie Ann Pilon
 & family

Monday, May 11th

7:30 a.m. Cyril Dumond by wife Viola & family

THE CHURCH SOUND SYSTEM

The Finance Council is aware that there is a problem with the sound system especially at the rear of the Church. New microphones were purchased which helped the situation for a short time but there is still a problem. A study is underway and the Finance Council will make a decision on rectifying this problem as soon as the information is available.

We appreciate your patience and support until we can take action to rectify this problem. In the meantime, please consider sitting closer to the front of the church as the sound is much clearer.

*Thanking you,
 The Members of the Parish Finance Council.*

IN OUR PARISH

COLLECTION 19 APRIL, 2015 - THANK YOU

Sunday	\$4,387.05	Easter	\$ 85.00
Loose	614.28	Vocation Sunday	30.00
Total	\$5,001.33	Dev. & Peace	10.00
Candles	\$ 166.65	Good Friday/Holy Land	70.00
Books	33.25	Initial Offering	5.00

INCOME COMPARATIVE STATEMENT FOR 30 MARCH 2015

Income	YTD This Yr.	YTD Last Yr.	Difference
Sunday Collection	\$61,022.	\$66,262.	-\$5,240.
Other Income	\$10,361.	\$10,365.	-\$ 4.
Total Income	\$71,383.	\$76,627.	\$5,244. Less Rev.
Total Expenses	\$78,420.	\$73,608.	\$4,812. More Exp.

AFTER THE FINAL BLESSING AT MASS THIS WEEKEND,
 we will participate in a traditional

CROWNING OF
Mary, Mother of All

This devotion began in Italy in the 18th century and by the 19th century was widespread throughout the Catholic world. All are encouraged to remain in the Church for this short ceremony.



CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK
BEGINS THIS SUNDAY, 3 MAY

The Catholic schools in our parish will engage in a series of events to celebrate the ongoing gift of publicly funded Catholic education. Discover what celebrations are happening in your children's school and if possible, attend.

At all the masses this weekend,
A SPECIAL COLLECTION WILL BE TAKEN FOR
THE PATRONS OF ST. COLUMBAN FOUNDATION
 at the same time as the regular collection.

Parishioners with church envelopes can use the special envelope in their box of envelopes. If you do not have a box of envelopes, you may use the envelope found in your pew. Parishioners can also pledge to donate on a weekly or monthly basis by using the pledge form found in the pamphlet at the church entrances.

Cheques should be made payable to the
Patrons of St. Columban Foundation.

Income tax receipts
 will be issued by the Foundation.
*Please help preserve our
 historic St. Columban's Church.*

In Our Parish

**ST. COLUMBAN'S CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE NEWS
MONTHLY MEETING – 7 P.M., TUES., 5 MAY**
in the Parish Activity Centre (upstairs Agape Bldg.).
New Members are always welcome.

DIOCESAN CONVENTION – SUNDAY, 31 MAY
will be held at St. Finnan's Parish

MASS AT ST. COLUMBAN'S AT 5 P.M., TUESDAY, 9 JUNE
followed by **MEMBERSHIP DINNER**
at Cornwall Golf & Country Club
Tickets are \$25. & can be purchased at this month's meeting.

BURSARIES FOR GRADE 12 GRADS
Young people graduating from Grade 12 are invited to apply for a bursary. Parents & grandparents may also submit names. *Students should be active in their faith & be continuing their education at a post-secondary institution.* To apply, please contact Jane Anderson at 613-933-1062

In The Diocese

SHALOM FUNDRAISING SALE – 9 TO 5 – 15-16-17 MAY
At Shalom House, 170 St-Paul St., Alexandria
Dishes, kitchenware, furniture, knick knacks, linens for bed & bath, Christmas & religious articles, etc. If you have items which you would like to donate for our sale, please call Sister Alice Laurin at 613-525-1704.

CONTINUE THE JOURNEY

TESTIMONY WORKSHOP – 2 TO 4 P.M., SUN. 24 MAY
At Blessed Sacrament Church
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 and family ask you the "reason for your hope" or how you can be so peaceful in times of difficulty. Listen to sample testimonies, hear tips to make yours personal, powerful and focused on what Jesus has done for you. No pressure to present it, only opportunities to practice if you wish to do so. Come prepared with ideas of what you might include and we'll help you refine it.

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.

BINGO – PARISH FUNDRAISERS

St. Therese – 7 p.m., Thursday, May 14th and 28th
Precious Blood – 7 p.m., Wednesday, May 6th and 20th

STEUBENVILLE TORONTO - 7-9 AUGUST

Mega and inspiring Catholic Youth Conference (for youth in grades 8 to 12). Registration \$325. (2 nights in hotel, 6 meals & access to events). For info. go to the Steubenville Toronto 2015 page under Youth Ministry on the Diocese's website: www.alexandria-cornwall.ca or contact Sr. Francine at fguilmette@alexandria-cornwall.ca

In the Diocese & Area

**MASS OF THANKSGIVING, 7 P.M., THURS., 21 MAY
FOR THE DIOCESE'S 125TH ANNIVERSARY**
at Nativity Co-Cathedral
With Bishop Marcel Damphousse, Archbishop Paul-Andre Durocher, Bishop Emeritus Eugene LaRocque, Archbishop Brendan O'Brien, Bishop Luc Bouchard and Archbishop Luigi Bonazzi, Papal Nuncio.
Church seats more than 600 people; help us fill it as we thank God for all the blessings he has bestowed upon us.
Reception follows at Agora Catholic Centre.

MEMORIAL MASS FOR RETIRED PRINCIPAL RUTH VAUGHN
to celebrate her life (spiritual life & gifts to Catholic education).
11 A.M. , THURSDAY, 7 MAY
at St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church.

MARCH FOR LIFE – 14 MAY
Again this year **Pro-Life Cornwall** is sponsoring a free bus to the March in Ottawa.
To reserve a spot, call Joan at 613-937-0536.

SPRING LUNCHEON, 11 A.M. TO 1 P.M., WED., 13 MAY
Plus craft, baked goods and book tables - at Trinity Anglican Church, 105 2nd Street W. Adults \$9. children under 12- \$3.

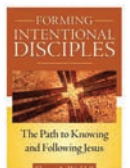


**Join us on May 30, 2015
for an all day workshop**

with

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:
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