

**4TH SUNDAY
OF EASTER
11 MAY 2014**

**National Week of Life &
the Family: May 11-18**

The best family inheritance –
faith & love: What will you
leave your children?

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: 7:30 a.m.**

Today's Readings:

Acts 2:14a, 36–41
Psalm 23:1–6
1 Peter 2:20b–25
John 10:1–10

The family, called to
witness, celebrate &
serve, must be the
principal vehicle of the
new evangelization.

**Further Reflection
from the Catechism:**

CCC: 753, 787, 881
CCCC: 109, 148
YOUCAT: 121, 26, 138



THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, QUEEN OF HEAVEN & EARTH

Hail, holy **Queen** enthroned above, oh Maria.
Hail, mother of mercy and of love, oh Maria.
Triumph all ye cherubim, Sing with us ye seraphim.
Heaven and earth resound the hymn.
Salve, Salve, Salve Regina.

Since the Council of Nicea in 787, the Church has asserted that it is lawful to venerate (different than worship which is to be reserved for God alone) images of Christ, the Virgin Mary and the other Saints.

Why put a crown on Mary's head?

Catholics believe that Mary was taken up into heaven and solemnly crowned by God with an everlasting crown of glory. In crowning Mary, God presented her to the whole court of heaven and invited all the citizens of heaven to place themselves around her throne while He proclaimed her the Queen of all the angels, patriarchs, prophets, apostles, martyrs, confessors, virgins, and of all the saints.

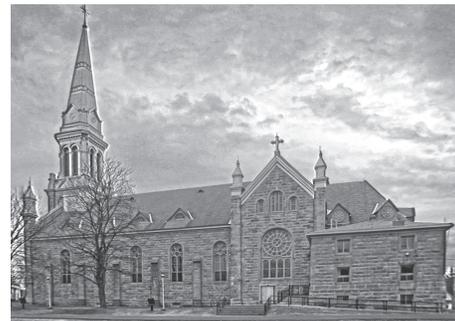
The queen symbol is attributed to Mary because she is a perfect follower of Christ, who is the absolute 'crown' of creation. Crowning her statue acknowledges her as queen as well as disciple. The Order of Crowning states:

She is the Mother of the Son of God, who is the messianic King. Mary is the Mother of Christ, the Word incarnate. ... "He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High; and the Lord God will give Him the throne of His father David; and He will reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of His kingdom there will be no end." [Luke 1:32-33] ... Elizabeth greeted the Blessed Virgin, pregnant with Jesus, as "the Mother of my Lord." [Luke 1:41-43]

She is the perfect follower of Christ. The maid of Nazareth consented to God's plan; she journeyed on the pilgrimage of faith; she listened to God's Word and kept it in her heart; she remained steadfastly in close union with her Son, all the way to the foot of the Cross; she persevered in prayer with the Church. Thus in an eminent way she won the "crown of righteousness," [See 2 Timothy 4:8] the "crown of life," [See James 1:12; Revelation 2:10] the "crown of glory" [See 1 Peter 5:4] that is promised to those who follow Christ.

Some might not have discovered the gaze of Jesus if they had not first felt the maternal, nurturing, and safe embrace of our mother in heaven. That's why we crown her on our Catholic version of Mother's Day.

AT THE CONCLUSION OF EACH MASS THIS WEEKEND, AS ONE OF OUR PARISH ACTIVITIES IN SUPPORT OF THE 2ND ANNUAL WEEK LONG NATIONAL PASTORAL INITIATIVE FOR LIFE AND THE FAMILY, ALL ARE INVITED TO REMAIN IN THE CHURCH FOR A BRIEF CROWNING CEREMONY.



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Mrs. Kelly Poitras

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CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

Saturday, May 10th

3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Confessions
 6:15 – 6:45 p.m. Confessions
 7:00 p.m. Cyril Dumond by his children

Sunday, May 11th

7:30 a.m. Intentions of the Parishioners
 9:30 a.m. Armand Lafrance by Gilles & Diane Lafrance & family
 11:00 a.m. Cyril Dumond (2nd Anniv of death) by wife Viola & family

Monday, May 12th

7:30 a.m. Carmel Seymour by Ethel Bingley

Tuesday, May 13th

7:30 a.m. Hector Menard & deceased family members
 by Carole Harvey

Wednesday, May 14th

7:30 a.m. Special Intention for Doreen Hebert by Randy Hebert

Thursday, May 15th

7:30 a.m. Reynald Desjardins by Jacques & Henriette Cadieux

Friday, May 16th

7:30 a.m. Deceased family members of Marion Tobin by Marion
 8:30 a.m. St. Columban Grade 8 Mass & Retreat

Saturday, May 17th

9 – 11 a.m. Family Workshop for Sacrament candidates
 3 – 4 p.m. Confessions
 6:15 - 6:45 p.m. Confessions
 7:00 p.m. Carol Burton-Pearson by the Burton family

Sunday, May 18th

7:30 a.m. Intentions of the parishioners
 9:30 a.m. Duncan & Irene McLennan & deceased family
 members by Jean McLennan
 11:00 a.m. Jeannette Andre & Dwayne Walker by
 Carole Rob & family

Monday, May 19th

7:30 a.m. Si Miller by Lynn Heatley & Georgette Brand

FUNDRAISER FOR CHILDREN'S TREATMENT CENTRE

If you would like to Sponsor Father Dan
 For the May 24th Bike-A-Thon

PLEDGE SHEETS ARE AVAILABLE ON THE REGISTERS
 THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF THE CTC

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE ANNUAL MASS & BANQUET

Tuesday, June 10th beginning with Mass at 5:15 p.m. Dinner will follow at the Cornwall Golf and Country Club. Tickets (\$25.) must be purchased by May 29th and are available at the rectory office Monday to Thursday 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. If you need transportation to the Mass & dinner, leave your name, address & telephone number at time of ticket purchase.

51st World Day of Prayer For Vocations - 11 May
Vocations: Witness to the Truth
 "The high standard of ordinary Christian living" (NMI 31)

IN OUR PARISH

COLLECTION 27 APRIL –THANK YOU

Sunday	\$4,339.25	Easter	820.00
Loose	630.05	New Years	5.00
Total	\$4,969.30	Dev. & Peace	16.00
Candles	\$217.85	Good Fri/Holy Land	66.00
Books	141.25		

PLEASE NOTE

5 MINUTES BEFORE ALL MASSES THIS WEEKEND
CWL Vocations Awareness contest for 6th graders
 Winners will read their entries and prizes will be presented.
 Let us encourage them by our attentiveness.

BULLYING

FATHER DAN WILL MODERATE A SPECIAL WORKSHOP ON
BULLYING – 7 P.M., THURSDAY, 15 MAY
 in the Upper Room (entrance near East Church door).
 Everyone welcome.

PASTORAL APPOINTMENTS EFFECTIVE JUNE 30TH

This year is extraordinary because of the many changes; 18 churches are affected and 14 priests are called to serve elsewhere or differently. Bishop Marcel thanks us in advance for our patience in the adjustments necessary and assures us of his prayer and his blessing.
 As parishioners heard at Masses last weekend, effective 30 June, **Father Dan** will be on a sabbatical year to pursue studies. **Father Jerome Pastores**, currently serving as Parochial Administrator at St. Francis, will be assigned here at St. Columban's as Parochial Administrator.



Happy Anniversary
Father Dan
 CELEBRATING THE 13TH
 ANNIVERSARY OF YOUR
 ORDINATION TO THE
 PRIESTHOOD – 12 MAY

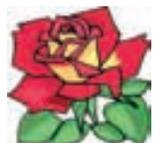
REST IN THE PEACE AND LOVE OF THE LORD
 Richard Bourgon, Irma Cameron and all who have died.

Mother's Day Roses



Every Mother's Day weekend, the Catholic Women's League provides paper roses to honor our mothers, both living and deceased. A white rose is worn by those whose mother is deceased. A red rose is worn by those whose mother is still with us. These paper roses are made by League members and all contributions received are sent to Our Lady's Missionaries & Catholic Missions of Canada.

A Very Happy Mother's Day
To Mothers everywhere



IN THE PARISH AND DIOCESE

COFFEE AND CHAT – AFTER MASS NEXT SUNDAY

Plan to stop for a few minutes at the 4th Street church entrance and visit with other parishioners.

How good it is for us when the Lord unsettles our lukewarm & superficial lives.

Pope Francis



ST. PETER'S C.W.L. SPRING TEA, 1 TO 3 P.M., WED. 14 MAY
\$6/person – All are welcome

ST. FRANCIS DE SALES, ROAST BEEF DINNER, 5 TO 6:30 P.M.
THURSDAY, 15 MAY - in the parish hall – Adults \$10, children \$5.

FAMILY BREAKFAST, 8:30 A.M. TO 12, SUNDAY, 25 MAY
St. Francis de Sales parish hall. Everyone welcome

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY:

Your response to our Lenten Calendar Food Drive was nothing short of astounding. On the first weekend we received 750 boxes of cereal and saw like numbers for the following five weekends with other food products. This required us to find extra storage space and the product we now have will see us well into the Fall. The need for assistance remains strong, as we see 50 to 60 clients on the two mornings per week we operate the food bank.

On behalf of all our clients and our volunteer staff, thank you so much for your most generous donations.

GARAGE AND BAKE SALE – 16, 17 AND 18 MAY

Shalom House, Alexandria. For more info call 613-525-1704

SPRING LUNCHEON – 11 A.M. TO 1 P.M., WED., 14 MAY

at Trinity Church, 105 2nd St. W. Adults \$8, under age 12- \$3.
Menu – veggies & dips, assorted sandwiches, cheese, pickles, desserts, tea or coffee. Plus crafts, baked goods, books, art show

NATIONAL WEEK OF LIFE & THE FAMILY: FAMILIES UNITED IN THE JOY OF THE LORD

MESSAGE FROM THE CATHOLIC ORGANIZATION FOR LIFE AND FAMILY

Once again, we are privileged to have an opportunity to think more deeply about the inestimable value of human life and the role that the family plays in upholding and communicating that value. As our Holy Father recently observed: “The family is the place where we learn to love . . . the motor [that drives] the world and history.” It is in the family that we first experience the love that inspires us to live for others and the joy that accompanies such living. As the Scriptures say: “We love because He first loved us” (I John 4:20). Jesus Christ—the “man for others”—is both the model and the source of human love and of human joy! Let us embrace His example and His love.

We all know too well that no family is perfect. Nevertheless, “family”—says Pope Francis—“is the fundamental cell of society, where we learn to live with others despite our differences and to belong to one another; it is also the place where parents pass on the faith to their children” (*Evangelii Gaudium*, 66). Today more than ever, mothers and fathers need to be encouraged and sustained as they strive to embrace their God-given roles. Let us recall with renewed hope that our families, however imperfect they may be, are the leaven that is destined to transform this world of ours – a world so desperately in need of the love of Jesus Christ..

Let this year’s Week for Life and the Family – an initiative of the Conference of Catholic Bishops of Canada – be an opportunity to celebrate the joys of our family life and to consider what we might do to address the needs of families less fortunate than our own. Let us ask ourselves what we can do to create a more loving world, knowing that it is in forgetting ourselves that we will find ourselves.

As families, during this National Week for Life and Family, with expectation let us turn our hearts and minds to Jesus Christ, the Truth, who is love incarnate. With Him all things are possible.

PRAYER FOR FAMILY

God of all times and places,
we ask You to be with us as we pray.
For families who struggle to speak to one another in love,
For families who delight in being together,
For families who want to live with less in order
that others might have more,
For families who do not have enough, and struggle for the
necessities of life,
For families who read Your Word together,
For families who find it hard to spend any time together,
For my family,
For the families in my community,
For the families in our parish,
For the families around the world,
For all families, we pray that Your love will grow in them
so that Your love will shine through them.
We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

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ALL ARE INVITED TO PRAY FOR A SPECIAL INTENTION EACH DAY THIS WEEK:

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| May | | |
| 11th | SUNDAY | Parents |
| 12th | MONDAY | Grandparents |
| 13th | TUESDAY | Children |
| 14th | WEDNESDAY | Brothers and sisters |
| 15th | THURSDAY | Extended family |
| 16th | FRIDAY | For those without a family |
| 17th | SATURDAY | Yourself |
| 18th | SUNDAY | Parish family |



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