ALL SOULS

DAY

2 NOVEMBER, 2014

Heaven: the endless moment of love when nothing separates us from God, the love of our soul.

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: Lamentations 3:17-26Heaven is the perfect life, the communion of love with the Most Holy Trinity, the Virgin Mary, the angels, and the Saints.Further Reflection from the Catechise CCC: 1023-1029 CCC: 209 YOUCAT: 158	
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HEAVEN, HELL & PURGATORY

In three Wednesday Audiences, Pope St. John Paul II pointed out that the essential characteristic of heaven, hell or purgatory is that they are states of being of a spirit (angel/demon) or human soul, rather than places, as commonly perceived and represented in human language. This language of place is, according to the Pope, inadequate to describe the realities involved, since it is tied to the temporal order in which this world and we exist.

When the form of this world has passed away, those who have welcomed God into their lives and have sincerely opened themselves to His love, at least at the moment of death, will enjoy that fullness of communion with God which is the goal of human life.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church states: "By His death and Resurrection, Jesus Christ has "opened' heaven to us. The life of the blessed consists in the full and perfect possession of the fruits of the redemption accomplished by Christ. He makes partners in His heavenly glorification those who have believed in Him and remained faithful to His will. Heaven is the blessed community of all who are perfectly incorporated into Christ". This final state, however, can be anticipated in some way today in Sacramental life, whose centre is the Eucharist, and in the gift of self through fraternal charity.

Man, called to respond to God freely, can unfortunately choose to reject His love and forgiveness once and for all, thus separating himself forever from joyful communion with Him. It is precisely this tragic situation that Christian doctrine explains when it speaks of eternal damnation or hell. It is not a punishment imposed externally by God but a development of premises already set by people in this life.

In a theological sense however, hell is something else: it is the ultimate consequence of sin itself, which turns against the person who committed it. It is the state of those who definitively reject the Father's mercy, even at the last moment of their life.

According to Old Testament religious law, what is destined for God must be perfect. The need for integrity obviously becomes necessary after death, for entering into perfect and complete communion with God. Those who do not possess this integrity must undergo purification. At times, to reach a state of perfect integrity a person's intercession or mediation is needed. Every trace of attachment to evil must be eliminated, every imperfection of the soul corrected. Purification must be complete, and indeed this is precisely what is meant by the Church's teaching on purgatory. The term does not indicate a place, but a condition of existence. Those who, after death, exist in a state of purification, are already in the love of Christ Who removes from them the remnants of imperfection.

"Since we know neither the day nor the hour, we should follow the advice of the Lord and watch constantly so that, when the single course of our earthly life is completed, we may merit to enter with Him into the marriage feast and be numbered among the blessed, and not, like the wicked and slothful servants, be ordered to depart into the eternal fire, into the outer darkness where "men will weep and gnash their teeth'.

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CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

First Saturday, November 1st7:00 - 7:25 a.m. Confessions8:00 a.m.8:00 - 4:00 p.m.Confessions6:15 - 6:45 p.m.Confessions7:00 p.m.Teresa Lalande by her loving family

Sunday, November 2nd ALL SOULS DAY 7:30 a.m. Intentions of the parishioners 9:30 a.m. George Brand by Georgette & family 11:00 a.m. Hubert Boudreau by wife Yolande & family

Monday, November 3rd 7:30 a.m. Special Intention for favor requested by a parishioner

Tuesday, November 4th No Mass on Tuesdays

Wednesday, November 5th 7:30 a.m. Neil McManus by Isabel Lalonde and

Bernadette McIntosh

<u>Thursday, November 6th</u> 7:30 a.m. Claude Labelle by Corrie & family

Friday, November 7th 7:30 a.m. Phillip Bray by Carol Papps 8:00 a.m. Adoration

Saturday, November 8th

3:00 - 4:00 p.m. Confessions
6:15 - 6:45 p.m. Confessions
7:00 p.m. Mavis Menard by George Mitchell & family

Sunday, November 9th

7:30 a.m. Intentions of the parishioners9:30 a.m. In thanksgiving for blessings received by Bea Tardif11:00 a.m. Cyril Dumond by wife Viola & family

Monday, November 10th

7:30 a.m. Special Intention for Bernadette Blakely by Amedee & Josephine Guimond

Prayer Before Mass The <u>Angelus</u>

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HOLY HOUR – 8 A.M. FRIDAY, 7 NOVEMBER After the 7:30 a.m. Mass, the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed and a time of adoration, prayer, Scripture & meditation will follow. The hour closes with Benediction.

PRIESTS PENSION PLAN - COLLECTON 2 NOV. We ask that you again be generous when you contemplate your contribution this year. If you have questions call Deacon Pierre Aube 613-933-1138 x25 or Fr. Daniel Van Delst at 613-932-9226.

NO SCENT - MAKES GOOD SENSE

Please consider your fellow parishioners and avoid wearing colognes, perfumes or any scented product to Church. Many individuals have sensitivities and allergic reactions to these products. Thank you.

IN OUR PARISH

Collection - 19 October - Thank You			
\$3,688.25	Votive Candles	179.55	
603.00	Book Store	11.50	
\$4,291.25	Needs of Can. Church	15.00	
50.00	Prop.of the Faith	948.50	
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HELPERS NEEDED FOR INFANT BAPTISMS

Most infant Baptisms take place on Sunday afternoons once a month. Lay members of the parish assist our Priest or Deacon at the celebrations as well as at a short parent meeting - by being welcoming and helping with some details. New helpers are welcome. A written Ministry Description is available and training is provided. If interested please contact Don Smith, Parish Leader for Catechesis & Evangelization, at 613-932-8952 or by e-mail: media.ministry@live.ca.

2015 PARISH ENVELOPES AVAILABLE FOR PICK UP

at the rear of the Church. Please check that the number on the label matches the number on the envelopes. Also, if any information on the label is incorrect, please notify the office.

For those who are NEW to the PARISH and would like envelopes, please call the office to register.

Deacon Marcel Brunet Happy 24th Anniversary of Ordination To The Diaconate - 3 November

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

In the tradition of our Church, NOVEMBER IS THE "MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS"; a time to pray & give thanks for those we love but see no longer. A book of remembrance is located at the front of the Church & all are invited to inscribe the names of your departed loved ones. St. Paul reminds us: *"It is a good and wholesome thing to pray for the dead."*

HELPERS NEEDED FOR CHILDREN'S LITURGY PROGRAM AT SUNDAY 9:30 A.M. MASS For more information, please contact Don Smith at 613-932-8952 or e-mail media.ministry@live.ca

ST. COLUMBAN'S CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE GENERAL MEETING 7 P.M., TUESDAY, 4 NOVEMBER in the Parish Activity Centre. Please remember it's time for payment of annual dues. New members always welcome. You are also reminded to bring boxes of Jello for our donation to the Children's Christmas Fund. Thanks everyone.

ST. COLUMBAN'S CWL CHRISTMAS TEA & BAKE SALE Tea, bake sale, candy table and basket draw. Admission \$6. 1:30 to 3 p.m., SATURDAY, 22 NOVEMBER

PASTORAL OUTREACH

If you know anyone from our parish who is sick, homebound, in hospital, a seniors residence or a nursing home, who would appreciate a visit from a member of the parish, please let us know. Call the office and provide the name and particulars of the parishioner in need.

IN THE PARISH

ST. COLUMBAN'S C.W.L. MEMBERSHIP

All women of the parish aged 16 and older are invited to join St. Columban's CWL or to renew their membership for 2015. Dues are \$25. Please help us update our records by including this form with your payment. Envelopes marked "CWL Membership" may be placed in the collection basket at any Mass Name Address Telephone No. E-mail Address: New member Renewal Cash enclosed Cheque enclosed Please make your cheque payable to St. Columban's C.W.L. CLASSICAL CONCERT – 7:30 P.M., FRI., 21 NOVEMBER Vero è la Musica presents a concert entiltled

EN FRANCE ... LA BELLE EPOQUE Cornwallite Veronika Cherniak on violin, Stef Jackson on saxophone, Eric Jones Cadieux & Olivier Hébert-Bouchard on piano. Concert takes place here at St. Columban's Church Tickets \$12./person available at the Parish office, from Jane Anderson at 613-933-1062 and at the door.

AN EVENING OF PRAISE & WORSHIP AT ST. COLUMBAN'S CHURCH with a 12 member music ministry ARAMICO CHOIR Special guest singers include Fr. Jerome Pastores FRIDAY, 12 DECEMBER - 7 - 8:30 P.M. Save the Date - Tickets \$15 available soon

Helping our Catholic Brothers and Sisters In The Middle East

The time has come for us to reach out & help our brothers and sisters in Christ who live in the Middle East. As a first step, we need to have a better understanding of the situation as it currently exists. To that end, the Diocese is hosting 2 informaiton sessions. Tuesday, 11 Nov (english) & Wed., 12 Nov. (french), Carl Hetu, exe. Director of CNEWA Canada will speak on the situation of Christians in the Middle East. Show your solidarity by coming out to learn what you can do to help. Presentations begin at 7 p.m. at the Agora Catholic Centre.

Our Lady of Grace/St. Pius X Catholic Women's League TEA AND BAZAAR - 10:30 TO 1:30, SAT. 29 Nov. Lunch of soup, sandwiches & desserts \$6. starts at 11:30 am Bake table, crafts, books, nearly new table, quilt raffle.

PARISH SUPPERS

BLESSED SACRAMENT - 4 TO 7 P.M., SUNDAY, 2 NOV. Turkey Supper, Adults \$12.; 6 to 12 \$6; under 6 free. Holy Cross, 4 to 7:30 p.m., Sunday, 9 Nov. Roast Beef Supper, Adults \$12.; ages 6 to 13 \$6., under 6 free PRECIOUS BLOOD PARISH, 4 TO 7 PM., SUN, 16 Nov. Spaghetti Supper, Adults \$10; children 10 & under free

IN OUR PARISH AND DIOCESE

WANTED – DONATIONS OF JELLO
 The Catholic Women's League (Alexandria-Cornwall Diocese)
 needs 1,350+ boxes of Jello to fulfill their promise of providing these items for the Children's Christmas Fund Baskets.
 Please help us reach our goal by bringing boxes of Jello to the Church. Thank you for your generosity.

St. Francis de Sales C.W.L. **AUTUMN TEA – 12 TO 2 P.M., SATURDAY, 8 Nov.** Bake and Attic Treasure Tables – Admission \$7. under 12 \$3.

The Diocese of Alexandria-Cornwall is hosting WALKING TOWARD CHRISTMAS Saturday, 22 November - at the Agora Catholic Centre Inlcudes an exhibit of Creches, Entertainment, Christmas Market Place, Advent wreath station, Visit from Saint Nicholas Activities for the children. 2[™] ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CRECHE EXHIBIT To include your creche(s) call Yolande at 613-933-1138 x24

OUTDOOR NATIVITY SCENES

My dear friends : If it bothers you that the city where you live doesn't allow a scene depicting my birth, put up a small Nativity scene on your own front lawn. If all My followers did this, there wouldn't be a need for such a scene on the town square, because there would be many of them around town. Jesus The Diocese of Alexandria-Cornwall invites everyone to help put this suggestion into practice. Order a pre-cut Nativity Scene today. (Unfinished and must be painted). Call Yolande at 613-933-1138 x24 .Order before 30 Nov. & diocese pays HST.

LOCAL CATHOLIC SCHOOLS TEAM UP TO WORK AT NPH ORPHANAGE, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC DURING MARCH BREAK 2015. MISSION TRIP FUNDRAISERS ARE UNDERWAY Magazine Online – buy or renew your favorite subscription at www.efundraisingonline.ca/ccssmissiontrip

Vendors Fair – 5 to 8 p.m. 13 Nov. Blessed Sacrament Hall *Christmas Market* – 5 to 8 p.m., 4 Dec. Holy Trinity C.S.S. *Donations* – To make a charitable donation (tax receiptable) make chq. payable to CDSBEO, mail to Fr. Jacques Labelle, Chaplain, St. Matthew CSS, 822 Marlborough St., K6H 4B4

An Evening of Music and Praise Blessed Sacrament Parish is hosting an evening of music and praise – all are welcome. 7 p.m., SATURDAY, 8 NOVEMBER

THEOLOGY ON TAP – 8 P.M., FRI., 21 Nov. This is a discussion series for young Catholics, ages 19 to 39. It is an opportunity to meet new people, engage in interesting conversation and grow in faith For additional details, contact Sr. Francine at fguilmette@alexandria-cornwall.ca

SPANISH FLAMENCO NIGHT 7:30 TO 10 P.M., SAT. 29 Nov. At Trinity Anglican Church,105 2nd St. W. Featuring Marta & Richard, traditional Flamenco singer & guitarist from Montreal. Tickets \$12 available at Trinity Parish Office Mon. to Thurs. between 1 & 4 p.m. or call Stephen at 933-3991.

