

O Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy on us. Immaculate Heart of Mary, pray for us.
St. Joseph, pray for us. St. Columban, pray for us.

ST. COLUMBAN

PARISH

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT (C)

NOVEMBER 28, 2021

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Rev. Fr. Thomas Riopelle, 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	Saturdays, 3-4 PM (or by appointment)
Baptism	Please notify one month in advance
Marriages	Please notify 6 months in advance

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ST. COLUMBAN PARISH

CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

IN OUR PARISH

Saturday, November 27th OUR LADY'S SATURDAY (OM)

3:00 - 4:00 p.m. Confessions
 5:30 p.m. Grace Ann Robinson by John Robinson
 Damon Campos by Mary & Ruth

Sunday, November 28th FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

7:30 a.m. People of the Parish
 9:30 a.m. Joan Lalonde by Teresa MacInnis
 Evelyn Maloney by Larry McDonald
 11:00 a.m. Frances Lauzon by the Assoc. of Religious
 Hospitallars of St. Joseph

Monday, November 29th

7:30 a.m. **No Mass** ADVENT - WEEK 1

Tuesday, November 30th ST. ANDREW (F)

7:30 a.m. Harry Fisk (30th Anniversary of Death) by Bob
 & Dana Fisk

Wednesday, December 01st

7:30 a.m. Tom Parisien by Joe Parisien & Family

Thursday, December 02nd

7:30 a.m. Special Intention for Fr. Tom by Darlene
 Brabant

Friday, December 03rd ST. FRANCIS XAVIER (M)

SACRED HEART OF JESUS - FIRST FRIDAY

7:30 a.m. Florence Gravelle by Christina Dupras
 7:00 p.m. ADORATION

Saturday, December 04th ST. JOHN DAMASCENE (OM)

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY - FIRST SATURDAY

7:00 - 7:25 a.m. Confessions
 8:00 a.m. For the Healing & Conversion of Our Children
 & Grandchildren by a Parishioner
 3:00 - 4:00 p.m. Confessions
 5:30 p.m. Frances Joan Belmore by the Tyo Family

Sunday, December 05th SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

7:30 a.m. People of the Parish
 9:30 a.m. Gertrude Poitras (10th Anniversary of Death)
 by Raymond Poitras & Family
 11:00 a.m. Carmel Bourgon by Husband Urbain Bourgon
 Sheila Quigg by Joe & Pat Sanborn

Monday, December 06th ST. NICHOLAS (OM)

7:30 a.m. **No Mass** ADVENT - WEEK 2

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

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

"But when these signs begin to happen, stand erect and raise your heads because your redemption is at hand." -LUKE 21:28

We celebrate Advent each year in preparation for the birth of Jesus, His first coming, as we await His second coming. What will you do differently this Advent season to grow in friendship and love with Jesus? How will you inspire others to do the same? Start by sharing your God story with others, especially those closest to you. Invite and accompany them on their faith journey this Advent.

TODAY'S READINGS - NOVEMBER 28TH, 2021

1st Reading: Jeremiah 33.14-16
 2nd Reading: 1 Thessalonians 3.12-4.2
 Gospel: Luke 21.25-28, 34-36
 Your redemption is drawing near.

5:30 SATURDAY NIGHT MASS

The Mass time on Saturday night WILL NOT change; it will stay at 5:30 p.m. Thank you to all those who attend the 5:30 mass for their input on the proposed time change.

UPDATE - PEANUT BUTTER CHALLENGE FOR THE AGAPE CENTRE

Thank you everyone, we reached the goal of 160 jars of Peanut Butter. What a great way to start this new liturgical year with the spirit of giving, outreach, and community.

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

In the tradition of our Church NOVEMBER IS THE 'MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS' a time to pray and give thanks for those we love but see no longer. This year due to Covid 19 restrictions our Book of Remembrance will not be available to inscribe the names of your departed loved ones. **We remember and pray for those who have gone before us.**

DEACON GUY'S REFLECTION

In the second reading, St. Paul prays that God will make God's people "increase and abound in love." It is easy to speak of this love in a general sense, this is a good time to consider ways in which our community need to grow in love with each other.

Advent is a good time to reflect and look for ways that our Parish can cultivate & nurture this love that St. Paul describes. Deacon Guy's website is thedeaconguy.ca

ADVENT EVENINGS OF REFLECTION

Beginning on December 1st, 2021 at 7:00pm and continuing each Wednesday during Advent. Deacon Guy will be presenting 'O Come, Emmanuel' Reflection series. Please see the notices on the bulletin boards at the church doors.

REMEMBERING OUR LOVED ONES AT CHRISTMAS

The Patrons of St. Columban Foundation ask for your assistance once again this year to keep the repairs to our historic church building on schedule. You can help by making a donation to the Foundation this Christmas "In Memory of a Loved One". Remembrances will be published in a special booklet insert to our Parish Bulletin the weekend of December 18-19, 2021. For your donation, you may use the forms and the envelopes provided at the entrances as you leave the church. Cheques should be made payable to the Patrons of St. Columban Foundation. Please submit in the collection basket at mass or drop off at the parish office by Sunday December 5 to allow for printing. Thank you for your continued support of the work of the Patrons of St. Columban Foundation.

ST. COLUMBAN - CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Christmas Vigil, Friday December 24th - 6:00 p.m., 8:00 p.m.
 Christmas Day, Saturday December 25th - 10:30 a.m.

ST. COLUMBAN - NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE

New Year's Eve, Friday December 31st - 6:00 p.m.
 New Year's Day, Saturday January 1st - 10:30 a.m.

SATURDAY CONFESSIONS

Confessions are from 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

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IN OUR PARISH AND DIOCESE

2021 PARISH ENVELOPES

Envelopes are available at the 4th Street entrance. Please, ensure the number on the label matches the number in the box. Beginning January 1st please discard all 2020 envelopes and write your name on the 2021 envelopes for the entire month of January.

NEW PARISHIONERS ARE WELCOME

If you are new and would like parish envelopes, please fill out a Registration Form which is located at the 4th St. Main entrance or in person during office hours, Monday - Thursday 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. You can also call the office during regular business hours (613-932-9616). Please introduce yourself to Fr. Tom or Deacon Guy.

VOCATIONS

Prayer for Vocations: As we look to the birth of our Savior, that many will be called to follow in His footsteps to minister to His flock, we pray to the Lord.

POPE FRANCIS DECEMBER INTENTIONS

Intention for evangelization – Catechists

Let us pray for the catechists, summoned to announce the Word of God: may they be its witnesses, with courage and creativity and in the power of the Holy Spirit.

SAINT OF THE WEEK – SAINT NICHOLAS

Little is known about the early life of Nicholas. In the early 4th century, he was made bishop of Myra in Lycia (now Turkey). Famous for his charity, he became the focus of popular cults and devotions in the early Middle Ages. He was so popular that he was chosen joint patron of Russia with Saint Andrew; he is also a patron of sailors and children. In many parts of the world, he still plays a role as Santa Claus.

DOC IN ALTUM!

A unique « program » for young adults in their 20s and early 30s! Have you ever asked yourself?

1. What am I doing with my life? 2. How do I find out what God's plan of happiness is for me? 3. How do I decide what is best for a life-giving future? Obviously, you can't answer these crucial questions in one day or even one week! Duc in Altum is a discernment spiritual journey over 8 monthly encounters beginning in January 2022 precisely because it takes quality time and space to "Put Out Into the Deep" as invited by Christ in Luke 5:4 (in "Latin, Duc in Altum"). It is hard to put down on paper the difference that Duc in Altum can make in the life of a young adults who dares to walk with God over an 8-month period to find unique and crucial answers for one's life! So, that is why we have 2 info sessions on what this is about on the Zoom platform: Wednesday, Nov. 24 and Wednesday, November 28 at 7pm. For more info, visit www.ducinaltum.ca/ottawa and request the zoom link from Sr. Francine Guilmette at francineguilmette@yahoo.ca

KNEELERS

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

ST. COLUMBAN COLLECTION REPORT FOR NOVEMBER 14, 2021

Sunday Envelopes	3,928.00
Loose Collection	375.25
Total	\$4,303.25

CHILDRENS CHRISTMAS FUND

The **Catholic Women's League** has the yearly responsibility of supplying packages of Jello for the Children's Christmas Fund Baskets. This year we've been requested to collect 25 hundred boxes. We will be collecting the Jello until the end of November. Store brands are much cheaper and just as acceptable, if any parishioner wishes to help us in this endeavour Jello boxes can be dropped off in the baskets provided at the entrances to the Church. If you wish to send a cheque in lieu of boxes of Jello you can make your cheque payable to "St. Columban's Catholic Women's League" and drop it in the collection basket at the mass you attend or drop it off at the Rectory during regular business hours. Thank you for your participation in providing for our local families in need.

MASS ATTENDANCE DURING RE-OPENING ONTARIO

The Provincial Government has announced the plan to safely re-open Ontario. These changes include being able to fully open with proof of vaccinations. **Archbishop Marcel Dampousse** requests parishes to continue with current procedures including maintaining physical distances and **not choosing** to start proof of vaccination. Everyone is welcome to attend mass as long as they wear a mask (unless medically exempt), sanitize their hands and follow the protocols in church.

CATHOLIC CALENDARS HAVE ARRIVED

We have received permission to carry some calendars at the back of the Church on the Book Rack. They are \$5.00 each again this year, and the money goes in the Money Box. The calendars are also available at the Catholic Information Centre, 613-933-5099. Get your copy while they last!

LIVING WITH CHRIST MONTHLY MISSALS

Missals for December 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.

PRO-LIFE RAFFLE

Pro-Life Cornwall Pro-Vie is selling raffle tickets for a ¼ organic beef cut and wrapped plus a 5 ft. cu. freezer to store the meat. Tickets are just \$5 each or 5 for \$20 and are available at Sharyn's Pantry (812 Pitt St.) in Cornwall and at Maison Shalom House (170 St. Paul St.) in Alexandria. The draw takes place on December 15th. What a great way to kick off the Christmas Season! You can also purchase tickets from **Darlene Brabant (613-935-5828)**.

CATHOLIC INFORMATION CENTRE OPEN

Please take note that the CATHOLIC INFORMATION CENTRE (book and gift shop) is open. Hours are from 10 am to 4 pm Monday to Friday, and Saturdays from 9:00 am until noon. We look forward to serving you. We are at 146 Chevrier Ave., 613-933-5099.

WOMEN'S MORNING OF REFLECTION

Please join us Saturday, December 4th from 9:00 am - 12:00 at the Agora Centre on McConnell Avenue, Cornwall, for mass, confession, breakfast, a talk and the rosary. The guest speaker will be announced later. For any inquiries, please contact Heidi Krol at 613-347-7561 or Marilyn Light at 613-537-2021. A free-will offering of \$5 is appreciated.



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