28TH SUNDAY IN

ORDINARY TIME

12 OCTOBER, 2014

Today's Readings: Ilsaiah 25:6–10a Psalm 23 Phil 4:12–14, 19–20 Matthew 22:1–14 "The Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow and wines."

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. Except Tuesdays.

"The King gave a wedding banquet for His Son ... many are called, but few are chosen." Further Reflection from the Catechism: CCC: 1405, 2176/80/84 CCCC: 452, 453 YOUCAT: 223, 365

THE LAMB'S WEDDING FEAST

In the Old Testament reading today, Isaiah rejoices in the goodness of the Lord. The image of a great banquet is used to show the blessings that God's people will experience on the last day. For the Jewish people, the setting on the mountain is symbolic of a place to encounter the divine. God promises to wipe away any tears and destroy death. The banquet celebration in today's passage shows God's everlasting love for the people.

In today's Gospel, Jesus uses the image of a wedding banquet to teach about the kingdom of God. Servants are sent by the king to invite guests to a banquet. Some refuse to come, some are too busy, and some even kill the servants. The king gets angry at the refusal of the invited guests. He wants people to attend his banquet so he tells his servants to go out and invite everyone they can find. In today's parable the sending of the servants is like the preaching of the prophets. The preaching first is directed to Israel and with their refusal, finally it is directed to the Gentiles. The message to those who sit at the banquet table is to act accordingly, and to live as followers of Jesus.

A KEY THEME:

Sunday is the day we call the Lord's Day. On Sunday Christ rose from the dead. On this day believers rejoice because everything changed for the better. The Church celebrates the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus every Sunday, the Lord's Day. On this day all Christ's faithful are called to come together to listen to the Word of God and take part in the Eucharist. We gather to give thanks and praise to God.

The third commandment instructs us to observe and keep holy the Sabbath. This commandment refers to the Jewish Sabbath. Six days were set aside for work, but the seventh day was for rest, just as God rested after having created the world. But for us Christians, Sunday is associated with Christ because of His resurrection on the first day of the week.

From the beginning of the Church, the community of believers gathered on Sunday to celebrate the Eucharist. The Catholic Church understands that it is necessary for us to come together on the Lord's day to thank God for making us one in Jesus. Each Sunday we celebrate our passover in Christ from death and sin to new life and grace. On Sunday we praise God and rejoice in Jesus Who fills our lives with love.

THINKING ABOUT IT

When we celebrate Mass we believe that the bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ. Sharing in the Eucharist helps us to live as one family. We are joined together with Jesus and one another.

THE GOSPEL IN LIFE What is one thing that you can do to participate more in Mass?

Excerpted from RCL Benziger Lectionary Resources



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CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

Saturday, October 11th 3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Confessions 6:15 - 6:45 p.m. Confessions 7:00 p.m. Percy Lalonde by wife Amelia & family Sunday, October 12th 7:30 a.m. Ron Coughlan by brother Rod Coughlan 9:30 a.m. Intentions of the parishioners 11:00 a.m. Nancy (Smith) Ripley by Alfie & Annie McDonald Monday, October 13th 8:00 a.m. In Thanksgiving by the Parisien family Tuesday, October 14th - 7:30 a.m. No Mass Wednesday, October 15th 7:30 a.m. Lou-Anna MacDougall by the Readers of St. Columban's Parish Thursday, October 16th 7:30 a.m. Maurice & Frances Picard (60th Wedding Anniversary) by Kay McGrath Friday, October 17th 7:30 a.m. Paul & Donald Smith, Sr. by their sister Irene Deneault Saturday, October 18th 3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Confessions 6:15 – 6:45 p.m. Confessions 7:00 p.m. Barbara Parisien by Joe Parisien & family Sunday, October 19th 7:30 a.m. Intentions of the parishioners 9:30 a.m. Anna Van Den Broeck by husband Herman & family 11:00 a.m. Mary MacDonald by Alice & Gordon Hull Monday, October 20th 7:30 a.m. Betty Brisson by Gerry & Lise DiCola

> FATHER JEROME will be away on vacation 27 – 31 October FR. RAY DUMOULIN will preside at the morning Masses.

PRAYER BEFORE MASS THE ANGELUS

(Leader) The angel of the Lord declared unto Mary ...

(All) and she conceived of the Holy Spirit. Hail Mary ...

(Leader) Behold the handmaid of the Lord ...

(All) be it done to me according to your word. Hail Mary ...

(Leader) And the Word was made Flesh ...

(All) and dwelt among us. Hail Mary ...

(Leader) Pray for us O holy Mary, Mother of God ...

(All) that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ. Let us pray:

Pour forth, we beseech You, O Lord, Your grace into our hearts, that we to whom the Incarnation of Christ Your Son was made known by the message of an angel, may by His Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of His Resurrection. Through the same Christ Our Lord. Amen.

IN OUR PARISH

| Collection - 28 Sept Thank You | | | |
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| Sunday | \$4,619.10 | Votive Candles | \$171.90 |
| Loose | 452.95 | Book Store | 70.95 |
| Total | \$5,072.05 | Needs of Can. Church | 1,275.00 |
| | | Vocation Sunday | 5.00 |

ST. COLUMBAN'S PARISH HARVEST SUPPER



Turkey and all the trimmings 4 TO 6:30 P.M., SUNDAY, 26 OCTOBER St. John's Church Hall, 28 Second St. E.

Adults \$14; Children 6-12 \$5; under 6 free

Help Wanted

All parishioners are invited to assist with the Parish Supper on Sunday, 26 October. Please consider where you can help and sign up on the sheets provided at all Church entrances. Contact number 613-932-7091

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

We invite those with children or grandchildren in public schools to contact the parish office to discuss completing their Sacraments of Initiation (BAPTISM, CONFIRMATION, FIRST COMMUNION)

CHILDREN (AGES 4 TO 8) LITURGY PROGRAM AT 9:30 A.M. SUNDAY MASS Parents – please bring your children to the Upper Room to be registered. ALSO, HELPERS ARE NEEDED TO ASSIST Please see Joe Kupina after the 9:30 a.m. Mass.

ST. COLUMBAN'S CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE OBJECTIVES

To unite Catholic Women of Canada to achieve individual and collective spiritual development; To promote the teachings of the Catholic Church; To exemplify the Christian ideal in home and family life; To protect the sanctity of human life; To enhance the role of women in church and society; To recognize the human dignity of all people everywhere; To uphold & defend Christian education & values in the modern world. To contribute to the understanding and growth of religious freedom, social justice, peace and harmony.

MEMBERSHIP

in the League is established & maintained by payment of the annual prescribed membership fee (\$25. due in November). Catholic women, 16 years of age and older may become members, with voting privileges and eligibility for office by election or appointment.

CURRENT AND NEW MEMBERS To ensure insurance coverage, it is imperative that Membership fees be received no later than 30 December.

IN OUR PARISH

A MESSAGE FROM THE KING FAMILY First and foremost. we thank God.

We also thank Fr. Jerome, Fr. Halle, Deacon Marcel, the parishioners, choir members and our entire parish family for your prayers. We are also thankful for the donations of household items, clothes and money. Reconstruction has yet to begin on our home, and we ask that you continue to pray for our family. God bless you all, Steven, Linda, Jonathan & Vanessa King.

COFFEE AND CHAT

Plan to stop and have a coffee, tea and a chat following Mass next Sunday, 19 October.

ADOPT-A-CANDIDATE

Parishioners are invited to pray for children preparing for the Sacraments. The opportunity to choose a name of a child is planned for next Sunday, 26 October

TUESDAY SOCIAL AFTERNOONS

Parishioners are invited to join with others and enjoy social time in the Parish Activity Centre. Activities include Euchre, other games and jig saw puzzles. Open to other activities.

THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

RCIA is the process through which interested adults and older children are gradually introduced to the Roman Catholic faith and way of life. For those who join an RCIA process it is a period of reflection, prayer, instruction, discernment and formation. Those who enter the process are expected to begin attending Holy Mass on Sundays, attend a weekly RCIA session, and become increasingly more involved in the activities of the Parish.

Now is the time to come forward if you or someone you know would like to discern becoming Catholic or to complete the Sacraments of Initiation.

Anyone interested should contact the Parish Office, in person or by phone, during office hours.

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY IS LOOKING FOR A FEW MORE VOLUNTEERS

to work at the Emergency Food Bank out of St. Francis de Sales church hall. We operate 9:30 to 11 a.m. each Tuesday and Friday. Volunteers work one shift (either a Tuesday or Friday) once every 4-5 weeks. If interested please contact Katie Blackadder at 613-933-1823.

IN OUR DIOCESE

 *** DIOCESAN GATHERING *** Join Bishop Marcel at the Agora Catholic Centre (301 McConnell) 7 р.м., Тиездау, 14 Остовек
There will be a presentation of the Diocesan Pastoral Plan, Music, Adoration, Sharing, Witness Talks and Fellowship

PRIESTS PENSION PLAN COLLECTON 2 NOVEMBER

Due to your generosity, we were able to increase the monthly pension from \$750 to \$800 effective 1 July of this year.

Our goal is to increase the amount to \$1,100 in order to meet monthly living expenses. Considering the current cost of rent, telephone, cable, internet, food, automobile expenses, clothing, entertainment and some amount for miscellaneous, we require about \$2,100 monthly.

CPP and OAS provide approximately \$1,000. a month. This gives us the \$2,100. we have set for our pension goal. We will work gradually to reach this level.

We thank you for your generosity as you contemplate your contribution this year. Should you have any questions, please contact Deacon Pierre Aubé at (613) 933-1138 extension 25 or Fr. Daniel Van Delst at (613) 932-9226.

Happy Thanksgiving

HARVEST SUPPERS

OUR LADY OF THE ANGELS (ROXBOROUGH COMM.CTR) 4 TO 7:30 P.M., SUN., 19 OCT. Adults \$12.; ages 6 to 12 \$5.; ages 5 & under free ST. MARTIN OF TOURS, GLEN ROBERTSON

SUNDAY, 26 OCTOBER \$13/adults; \$6/children; Take-out meals \$13. BLESSED SACRAMENT - 4 TO 7 P.M., SUNDAY, 2 NOV. Adults \$12.; 6 to 12 \$6; under 6 free. All take-outs \$12.

MUSICIANS WANTED EXPERIENCED IN PRAISE & WORSHIP to help lead an occasional evening of prayer.

If you are a musician interested in trying this style of music, please contact Marilyn at mbergeron@alexandria-cornwall.ca

R.C.I.A. – RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR TEENAGERS Program is offered to students who are not baptized and desire to be, or for Baptized students who have not received the other Sacraments of Initiation (Confirmation & Eucharist) For info and registration, contact. Sr. Francine at 613-933-1138 or e-mail fguilmette@alexandria-cornwall.ca

