# 29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## **20 OCTOBER 2013**

# 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.

#### APPLYING GOD'S WORD TO MY LIFE

Today's Readings: Exodus 17:8–13 Psalm 121:1–8 2 Timothy 3:14–4:2 Luke 18:1–8 Scripturally relevant passages in the Catechism,
Compendium and YOUCAT →

Further Reflection from the Catechism: CCC: 2629-36, 2803-06 CCCC: 553-554

YOUCAT: 486-7, 513

## SCRIPTURE BACKGROUND

In the first reading from the book of Exodus the Israelites win a battle, not through their own military strength, but with the help of God. The fascinating thing about Israel's victory is how they obtain divine help. Moses is persistent in prayer on behalf of the Israelites and with the help of his assistants, his prayer is answered and Israel is delivered.

In this Old Testament passage Moses acts as a mediator between the people of Israel and God. Moses raises his staff, which represents the protection of Yahweh for the people of Israel. When the staff is raised the Israelites prevail. And when Moses becomes weary from raising his arms, his assistants come to his aid. Finally Moses' prayer is answered and the Israelites win the battle.

In today's gospel Jesus helps His followers understand God's willingness to hear and respond to prayers of petition. Jesus tells a parable about a widow and an unjust judge. At the time when this Gospel was written, widows were treated unfairly and were severely disadvantaged. The widow in today's story uses her voice and her persistence to cry out for justice. She continually comes before the judge asking for fairness. The widow wears down the unjust judge and to keep her from bothering him, he grants her justice.

## A KEY THEME: PERSEVERANCE IN PRAYER

Jesus challenges His listeners to examine their hearts to see how insistent they are in calling upon God, Who is a just judge. Prayers of petition and prayers of intercession are two basic forms of prayer taught in our Catholic Tradition. Prayers of petition ask God for something for oneself and intercessory prayers ask God for something for another. When we intercede on behalf of others we pray as Jesus did. Jesus is the mediator who intercedes for us before God.

#### THINKING ABOUT IT

The point that Jesus makes with today's parable is that if the unjust judge is willing to grant the widow's request, how much more willing is God to answer our prayers.

- •How are you like the widow in the story?
- •How is God like the judge in the story?
- •How is God different from the judge in the story?
- •How are you persistent in prayer?

#### THE GOSPEL IN LIFE

Think of one thing that you would like to ask God for on behalf of someone else this week and pray a prayer of intercession.

Excerpted from RCL Benziger Lectionary Resources



#### PASTORAL STAFF

Fr. Dan VanDelst, Pastor Rev. Mr. Marcel Brunet, Deacon

OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR

Mrs. Kelly Poitras

**OFFICE HOURS** 

Monday-Thursday 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Evenings by appointment

#### **BAPTISMS**

By appointment 1 month in advance

#### **MARRIAGES**

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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By 4 P.M. FRIDAY

(ONE WEEK PRIOR TO REQUIRED WEEKEND PUBLICAITON)

## CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

Saturday, October 19th

2:45 - 3:45 p.m. Confessions

4:00 p.m. Wedding Eric Vilon & Ashley Pender

6:15 - 6:45 p.m. Confessions

7:00 p.m. Cisca Van Kessel by Martin & Helena Van Delst and family

Sunday, October 20th

7:30 a.m. Monica Barker by Charlie Barker & Family

9:30 a.m. Intentions of Parishioners

11:00 a.m. Eddie Baker by St. Columban 11 O'clock Choir

12:30 p.m. Baptisms

Monday, October 21st

7:30 a.m. Jeannine Bruyere by Mr. & Mrs. Omer Delorme

Tuesday, October 22nd

7:30 a.m. Cyril Dumond and deceased family members

by wife Viola & family

Wednesday, October 23rd

7:30 a.m. John Hutt by Dick & Doris Sauve

Thursday, October 24th

7:30 a.m. Edmond Alepins by Andre Alepins

Friday, October 25<sup>th</sup>

7:30 a.m. Kathleen Landon by St. Columban's C.W.L.

Saturday, October 26th

3:00 - 4:00 p.m. Confessions

6:15 - 6:45 p.m. Confessions

7:00 p.m. George & Carmel Belmore by the family

Sunday, October 27th

7:30 a.m. Intentions of Parishioners

9:30 a.m. Henry Major (6th Anniversary of death)

by wife Phyllis & son

11:00 a.m. Cathie Fraser (15th Anniversary of death)

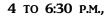
by Joan & Lisa Provost

Monday, October 28th

7:30 a.m. Pedro Cespon by a parishioner

## ST. COLUMBAN'S PARISH ANNUAL HARVEST (TURKEY) SUPPER

will be held at St. John's Church Hall, 28 2<sup>nd</sup> St. East



NEXT SUNDAY, 27 OCTOBER \$12 adults; \$5 children 6 to 12;

under 6 are free

DONATIONS NEEDED: HOME MADE PIES & COLESLAW

Please indicate donations on the Sign-Up Sheets at the entrances to the Church. Thanks everyone.

DONATED PIES AND COLESLAW

may be dropped off at St. John's Church Hall on Sunday, 27 October After 9 A.M.

#### IN OUR PARISH

#### COLLECTION - 6 OCTOBER - THANK YOU

Sunday Env.	\$4,889.65	Book Table	\$ 71.50
Loose	606.08	Candles	\$173.00
Total	\$5,495.73	Needs Can.Church	\$ 92.00

#### PASTOR'S NOTE

As we continue to learn some parts of the Mass after the change almost 2 years ago, we have placed some of the texts inside the front and back cover of the hymnals, both <u>Gather</u> and <u>Catholic Book of Worship III</u>. Inside the front cover on the right side we have placed the words for the 'I confess' and for the Gloria. Inside the back cover on the right side we have placed the words for both the *Nicene Creed* and the *Apostle's Creed*. As the pew cards are worn out, we will be removing them from the pews. Thank you for your understanding.

Father Dan

#### ADOPT-A-CANDIDATE

Please consider praying for one of the children from grade 2 in our school. These children are preparing to receive the Sacraments. This project asks that you pray



daily for the child you select & 3 times during the year to send a card or letter informing the child that you are praying for him/her. A table has been set up at the Fourth St. entrance to the church with more information. You are invited to visit the table and select a child. Someone will be there to assist you.

#### CHAT CAFE



This weekend, after Mass, coffee and cookies will be available at the 4th St. entrance. Please consider stopping and enjoy a coffee and chat with fellow parishioners or visitors.

REST IN THE PEACE AND LOVE OF THE LORD

Gerald Caron, Rita Marsolais, Vincenzo Cella, Gabe Pilon and all those who died this past week.

## YEAR OF FAITH - HYMN REFRAIN

Give us faith, Lord, when the mountain's too high; Be our hope, Lord, when the road is too long; Teach us love, Lord, let it blaze in our hearts and shine to your glory, O God!



#### ST. COLUMBAN'S PARISH HARVEST SUPPER

#### VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED

to assist with preparing, serving and clean up for the supper. Please indicate your support on Sign Up sheets at entrances to the Church. Thank you.

#### IN THE PARISH



#### COME AND MAKE MUSIC WITH US

Our parish liturgical music programme welcomes new and returning participants.

Whether a beginner, an experienced singer, or somewhere in between, we'll be glad to find a place for you.

Call Bill for more information 613-932-7316

#### ATTENTION SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENTS

Are you looking for a way to fulfill community service hours? Why not participate in our parish liturgical music programme?

Call Bill for more information, 613-932-7316

#### WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

This universal collection is unique: its fruits distributed worldwide according to the needs of the poorest dioceses. Everyone contributes to the cause & this allows the survival of the poorest dioceses, especially those who do not benefit from twinning or privileged contacts with the West. It provides each Bishop with the means & the freedom of action for the formation of catechists, vocations, education, health care, etc. Please help support the universal Church to go & proclaim the Gospel to all nations.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

## SALT AND LIGHT T.V.

## THE CHURCH ALIVE - THE ROLE OF LAITY

Continuing at 9 p.m. on 20 October, *The Church Alive* is a fast paced, segmented and interactive show focusing on the New Evangelization. The goal: to inspire people and get them talking about the faith, to share stories of the New Evangelization, and to highlight the broad and inclusive nature of Catholicism and its rich tradition. This week's episode explores in depth, the topic of Catholic education. "Yes, the Church is Alive... and the Church is young." - Pope Benedict XVI

#### VATICAN CONNECTIONS - SEASON 2

Every Friday evening at 8 p.m, Vatican Connections gives you a half-hour look at what's happening behind the walls of the Vatican.

## SALT + LIGHT 2013 GIFT MATCHING CHALLENGE

Thanks to the generosity of an anonymous donor, if you donate to Salt + Light Television 2013 Matching Challenge by 1 November, they will match your contribution dollar for dollar, to a maximum contribution of \$80,000. You can donate online by visiting saltandlighttv.org/donate or by calling us toll free at: 1 888-302-7181 x238. Help us raise \$160,000 & continue our media ministry.

## In The Community

#### FALL RUMMAGE SALE

Knox-St. Paul's United Church, 800 -12<sup>th</sup> St. East **9 A.M. TO NOON, THURSDAY, 24 OCTOBER** Great Bargains – Clothes, Books, Household Articles

#### FALL RUMMAGE SALE

Trinity Anglican Church, 105 Second St. West **10 A.M. TO 1 P.M., FRIDAY, 25 OCTOBER** Household products, toys, books and more.

## IN THE DIOCESE AND AREA

#### PRIESTS PENSION PLAN

What do the priests and parishes contribute to this Plan? The priests' personal contribution is \$1,000./year. The parish's contribution on behalf of the priest is \$1,500/year. In addition, the priests receive a taxable Mass stipend and 25% is contributed to the pension plan. Because interest rates are so low and market fluctuations have been so great, the fund hasn't been growing as expected. As such, we need the assistance of parishioners and have decided to have a yearly appeal for the pension plan. We ask for your generosity in this regard and thank you for your consideration.

**HEALING MASS (IN FRENCH) 7:30 P.M., MON. 21 OCT.**Holy Cross Parish. Beautiful experience of faith in the power of the Eucharist. Time to praise, adore, celebrate. All are welcome

## TURKEY SUPPER 4 TO 7:30 P.M. SUNDAY, 20 OCT. OUR LADY OF THE ANGELS PARISH

Supper at the Roxborough Community Hall in Moose Creek. Adults \$12. ages 6 to 12 \$5; under 6 free.

TURKEY SUPPER 4 TO 7 P.M. SUNDAY, 20 OCT. Hosted by NATIVITY PARISH at the Agora Centre. Adults \$12; ages 6 to 12 \$6; under age 6 are free

ROAST BEEF SUPPER 3:30 TO 7 P.M., SUN., 20 OCT. Hosted by St. Mary's Parish in Williamstown at the Parish Centre. Adults \$12; ages 6 to 12 \$6; under 6 are free

FALL LUNCHEON, 11 A.M. TO 2 P.M., FRIDAY, 25 OCT. Hosted by C.W.L. of St. Peter's Parish, 2900 2<sup>nd</sup> St. East Soup, Sandwiches, Pies, Beverages (White elephant table, Baked goods). All are welcome. \$7/person

FAMILY BREAKFAST 8:30 TO 12, SUNDAY, 27 OCT.

Hosted by St. Francis de Sales K of C 11531
in the Parish Hall – All are welcome

HARVEST SUPPER, 3:45 TO 7 P.M. SUNDAY, 27 OCT.
St. Martin of Tours Parish, Glen Robertson
Turkey & all the trimmings + meatballs, salads, pies, cakes,
Adults \$13; ages 6 to 12 \$6; under 6 free. All take-outs \$13.

HARVEST SUPPER, 4 TO 7 P.M., SUNDAY, 3 NOV.
Blessed Sacrament Parish, 325 Tollgate Road E.
Turkey and all the trimmings. Takeouts available
Adults \$12; ages 6 to 12 \$6; under 6 free.

HARVEST SUPPER - 4 TO 7 P.M., SUNDAY, 10 NOV.
Holy Cross Parish, 108 Anthony St.

Poset Boof, Ham and the trimmings: Pick-up orders available

Roast Beef, Ham and the trimmings; Pick-up orders available. Adults \$12; ages 6 to 13 \$6. under 6 free

#### "NEW LIFE" FOR MEN ONLY - 18-20 NOV.

at St. Michael's Catholic High School, Kemptville
Are you looking to grow in your faith? Want to know Jesus
better but don't know where to start? Course/retreat is led by
men from Holy Cross Catholic Church. \$80. includes some
meals. Billeting available. Contact Todd Fortin at 613-258-1897

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