EXALTATION OF

THE HOLY CROSS

14 SEPTEMBER, 2014

"Christ Jesus, though He was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited."

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:

Numbers 21:4b–9 Psalm 78 Philippians 2:6–11 John 3:13–17 "He became obedient to the point of death – even death on a Cross." Further Reflection from the Catechism:

CCC: 517, 616 CCCC: 1, 101, 122 YOUCAT: 84, 101

HOLY MOTHER CHURCH

You don't become Christian by yourself, through your own efforts, but by being born and nurtured in the faith in the midst of the People of God, that is the Church. In this sense the Church is a true mother – a mother who gives us life in Christ and in the communion of the Holy Spirit, brings us into a common life with all our brothers and sisters.

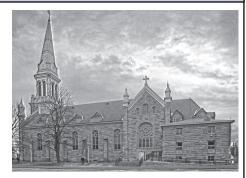
- 1. The Church has as its model the Virgin Mary, who gave birth to the Son of God, conceived by the Holy Spirit. The Church, in the fruitfulness of the Spirit, continues to generate new children in Christ, always listening to the Word of God and in obedience to His plan of love. Jesus' birth in Mary's womb is a prelude to the rebirth of every Christian in the womb of the Church, since Christ is the firstborn of many brethren (cf. Rom 8:29). And our first brother is Jesus, born of Mary, Who is the model for all of us born into the Church.
- 2. The Church is our mother because she has delivered us in Baptism. Whenever a child is Baptised, he/she becomes a son/daughter of the Church, from that day, he/she is in the Church which cares for him/her as a caring mother; she makes us grow in faith and shows us, with the power of the Word of God, the way of salvation, defending us from evil.

The Church has received from Jesus the precious treasure of the Gospel, not to keep it for herself, but giving it generously to others as a mother does. In this service of evangelization, mother Church offers her children the spiritual nourishment that feeds and makes fruitful the Christian life. All, therefore, are called to welcome with an open mind and heart the Word of God that the Church dispenses every day, because this Word has the ability to change us from the inside. Only the powerful Word of God has this capacity to change us for the better from the inside out, from our deepest roots. And who gives us the Word of God? Mother Church gives her children this word, raising us throughout our whole life with this Word. It's mother Church who, with this Word, really changes us from the inside. The words that mother Church gives us transform us, making our humanity beat not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.

In her motherly care, the Church strives to show believers the way to live a fruitful existence of joy and peace. Illuminated by the light of the Gospel and upheld by the grace of the Sacraments, especially the Eucharist, we can orient our choices towards the good and pass, with courage and hope, moments of darkness and more tortuous paths. The path of salvation, through which the Church guides us and accompanies us with the power of the Gospel and the support of the Sacraments, gives us the ability to defend ourselves from evil. The Church has the courage of a mother who knows that she must protect her own children from the dangers resulting from the presence of Satan in the world, to bring them to the encounter with Jesus. This defence also consists of a call to vigilance: be on guard against the deception and seduction of evil. Because even though God has conquered Satan, his temptations always return. We are all under attack. It is not for us to be naïve, but to be vigilant and stand firm in the faith, not to resist the advice and the help of mother Church. A good mother always accompanies her children in difficult moments.

3. This is the Church that we all love, the Church that I love - a mother who has at heart the welfare of their children, who has the capacity to give life to her children. We must not forget, however, that the Church is all the Baptized, including other Christians – not just priests or bishops and not just Catholics.

From Pope Francis' general audience catechesis in St. Peter's Square Sept. 3, 2014.



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BY 4 P.M. FRIDAY

(ONE WEEK PRIOR TO REQUIRED WEEKEND PUBLICATION)

CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

Saturday, September 13th

3:00 - 3:45 p.m. Confessions

4:00 p.m. Wedding Shawn Wells & Katherine Turgeon-Brunet

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

7:00 p.m. Leonard Kingston by Dorena Primeau

Sunday, September 14th

7:30 a.m. Intentions of the parishioners

9:30 a.m. Cyril Dumond by wife Viola & family

11:00 a.m. Lionel Tessier by Alex & Marilyn McDonell &

Rosemary Sloan

12:30 p.m. Baptisms

3:00 p.m. Cemetery Service

Monday, September 15th

7:30 a.m. Michael Sztupcvszky by Christina

Tuesday, September 16th

7:30 a.m. Special Intention for Theresa Bergeron by Ron Welsh

Wednesday, September 17th

7:30 a.m. Leonard Kingston by Jane & Doug Anderson

Thursday, September 18th

7:30 a.m. Winnifred Corley by the family

Friday, September 19th

7:30 a.m. Joseph & Lila Pidgeon by Isabel Parisien & family

5:30 p.m. Wedding Rehearsal Herrington & Sorbie

Saturday, September 20th

2:00 p.m. Wedding Joel Herrington & Megan Sorbie

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

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

7:00 p.m. Alexander Dore (5th Anniv. of death) by the family

Sunday, September 21st

7:30 a.m. Intentions of the parishioners

9:30 a.m. George Brand by Georgette & family

11:00 a.m. Don Belanger (10th Anniv, of death) by wife

Darleen & family

2:00 p.m. Foundation Concert (Seaway Winds Concert Band)

Monday, September 22nd

7:30 a.m. Marielle Taylor by Joy of the Lord Prayer Group

CHILDREN'S LITURGY PROGRAM - 9:30 A.M. SUN. MASS PROGRAM RESUMES ON SUNDAY, 28 SEPTEMBER

for children ages 4 to 8. In accordance with diocesan policy, children must be registered.

REGISTRATION WILL TAKE PLACE AFTER 9:30 A.M. MASS ON SUNDAY, 21 SEPTEMBER

near the east door of the Church.

C.W.L. FALL GARAGE AND BAKE SALE

will be held at St. Columban's School, 323 Augustus St.

8 A.M. TILL NOON, SATURDAY OCTOBER 4^{TH}

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at one of our Masses.

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Call Bill Brown at 613-932-7316 or Fr. Jerome 613-932-9616

THE PATRONS OF ST. COLUMBAN FOUNDATION FUNDRAISING CONCERT,

Next Sunday, 21 September, 2 p.m. here, in St. Columban's Church. Musical entertainment by SEAWAY WINDS CONCERT BAND.



Tickets \$10. are available at the Parish office during office hours, by calling Brian Lynch at 613-933-8353 and at the door. Funds raised will be used for major repair work on the church.

COFFEE AND CHAT - NEXT SUNDAY

Please plan to stop at the 4th St. Church entrance for a few minutes after Mass and share your summer experiences with fellow parishioners.

LAST OF SUMMER — SALAD SUPPER in the Parish Activity Centre. Free will offering.

4 p.m., Sunday, 21 September

SOCIAL AFTERNOONS - 1:30 P.M. TUESDAYS in the Parish Activity Centre. Activities include card games, jig-saw puzzles – open to other activities. Parishioners are Invited to come & enjoy some time with other parishioners.

St. Columban's Cemetery Service 3 p.m., Sunday, 14 September

Please bring your lawn chairs. In case of inclement weather, the service will be held in our Church.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Please contact the Parish Office if you are interested in taking the RCIA course to be received into full communion with the Catholic Church.

BISHOP'S DINNER - FRIDAY, 3 OCT. AT THE BEST WESTERN PARKWAY INN

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Limited number of tickets available for every parish. Please call or visit your Parish office to purchase a ticket (\$100./each). IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND THE DINNER BUT WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A CONTRIBUTION TOWARDS THE FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN, please send your donation to the *Diocesan Office*, 220 Montreal Road, Cornwall K6H 1B4. Cheques payable to "Diocese of Alexandria-Cornwall" re: Bishop's Dinner.

MOVING FORWARD...TOGETHER WHERE THE MONEY GOES

Youth & Young Adult Ministries; New Evangelization; Marriage, Family & Life; Faith Formation and Acculturation of Foreign Priests

THEOLOGY ON TAP (FOOD, FAITH & FELLOWSHIP)

A monthly discussion series for Catholic young adults & their friends, married and single, 19+ years old. Next event will be from 8 TO 9:30 P.M. ON FRIDAY, 19 SEPTEMBER at Quinn's Inn, (3rd floor), 17329 Kings Road, St. Andrews West. Topic will be an unusual but good one: The need for Jesus here & there! Contemplating death and judgement. Presenter is Brian Van Patten. No registration required – just show up and bring friends. For more info contact Sr. Francine at 613-933-1138 or e-mail fquilmette@alexandria-cornwall.ca

"COME AND SEE" DISCERNMENT WEEKEND (19-21 SEPT.) WITH THE SALESIAN SISTERS OF ST. JOHN BOSCO

Young women, single, Catholic, 18 to 30 years old are invited to stop, look and listen in a prayerful attitude. We provide the setting & process to help you better discern your vocation. Weekend experiences & reflective moments will help you respond to God's call to holiness & generous service among the youth today. Take this time & give yourself ample space to revisit the guestions you have been asking yourself, like "Who am I? Where is God leading me? What are the signs of God calling me? For more info call Sister Lise 613-937-4956 (lisefma@gmail.com)

HAS GOD DONE SOMETHING WONDERFUL IN YOUR LIFE? SHARE THE GOOD NEWS WITH OTHERS.

We invite you to tell your story ... just one chapter at a time. We will find ways to share the stories in an effort to draw others closer to Jesus. If you've always been close to Jesus, tell us about that. If there was a particular moment of conversion or closeness. describe it to us. Three questions follow to help get you started

- 1. Where were you in your life? (e.g. pain, struggle, indecision)
- 2. What did God do for you?
- 3. How did this change you and how does He continue to draw you closer to Him? How have you kept the peace, joy, hope alive? Please sign the stories & include your contact info. If you would prefer that we don't use your full name, please indicate that. Letters may be edited for length.

To see sample stories & submit yours, go to our website at www.alexandria-cornwall.ca

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SAVE THE DATE - TUESDAY, 14 OCT. - FOR THE NEXT DIOCESAN DYNAMIC CATHOLIC EVENT

SPAGHETTI SUPPER, 4 TO 7:30 P.M., SUNDAY, 14 SEPT. Hosted by K of C 877 at K of C 755 Hall, 205 Amelia St. Fundraiser for the Children's Treatment Center. \$10. children 10 and under free. Great door prizes.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

TO HELP SERVE AS MINISTERS OF COMMUNION at the Hospital. Please call Fr. Halle at 613-933-6097

PARISH HARVEST SUPPERS

St. James Parish - 4 to 7 p.m., Sunday, 21 Sept. Roast Beef Dinner at Maxville Sports Complex Adults \$12; ages 6 to 12 \$6.; under age 6 are free. ST. BERNARD'S PARISH - 4 TO 7 P.M., SUNDAY, 28 SEPT. Supper at the Finch Community Arena. Adults \$12. - ages 6 to 12 \$6 - under age 6 are free. OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY; 4 TO 6:30 P.M., SUN. 5 OCT. Turkey/Ham Supper at Crysler Community Centre Adults \$12. - ages 6 to 12 \$5.; ages 5 & under free. OUR LADY OF THE ANGELS - 4 TO 7:30 P.M., SUN. 19 OCT. Turkey/Ham Supper at Roxborough Community Hall, Adults \$12.; ages 6 to 12 \$5.; ages 5 & under free BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH, 4 TO 7 P.M., SUNDAY, 2 NOV. Adults \$12.; 6 to 12 \$6; under 6 free. All take-outs \$12.

WANTED - MUSICIANS EXPERIENCED IN PRAISE & WORSHIP interested in helping to 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

THE 'MOSES' COURSE OFFERED BY SASE CORNWALL the weekend of 6 to 9 November is filling up quickly. God called Moses to lead His people through the Red Sea to freedom. Is He calling you to greater freedom in your life? See website at sasecornwall.ca; register online at sase.ca or Call Divina at 613-938-0814 for more details.

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 Initiaiton (Confirmation & Eucharist) For info and registration, contact. Sr. Francine at 613-933-1138 or e-mail fguilmette@alexandria-cornwall.ca

GOD, SEX & THE UNIVERSAL LONGING: THEOLOGY OF THE BODY CONFERENCE, SAT., 20 SEPT. with Christopher West, at St Theresa of the Child Jesus Church, 95 Somerset St. W., Ottawa. Begins with Mass at 8 am with Archbishop Prendergast. Open to ages 16 and over. Cost \$30 registration + \$15 for workbook. To register, call 613-834-1830 or 613-720-5643.

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