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OFFICE HOURS: Monday to Friday 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

SUNDAY EUCHARIST

Saturday - 5:00 p.m.
Sunday - 9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m.

WEEKDAY EUCHARIST

As indicated in the weekly calendar.

RECONCILIATION

As indicated in the weekly calendar with communal celebrations in Advent and Lent and other times by appointment.

BAPTISMS

Baptisms are celebrated throughout the year. Please introduce yourself to the pastor after mass.

MARRIAGE

Please make an appointment with the pastor as soon as a decision is made to marry. A minimum of nine months notice is required. Please make no other arrangements until a date is confirmed with the parish. A marriage preparation course, offered in our pastoral region, is required.

**DEADLINE FOR WRITTEN SUBMISSIONS
FOR PARISH BULLETIN: Tuesday, noon**

PASTORAL CARE

A Pastoral Care Team visits sick or elderly members of the parish in their homes or in hospital. To arrange for Communion, the Sacrament of the Sick, or a visit, please contact the Pastor.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Claudette Langdon, President 613-831-1286

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

James MacLean, Grand Knight 613-831-8617

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

OUR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

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PARISH REGISTRATION: If you are new to our Parish Community, please fill out this form and put it in the collection basket.

Names: _____
Email: _____
Address: _____ Postal Code: _____
Phone Number: _____

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



April 24 – 5th Sunday of Easter

Acts 14:21b – 27
Revelation 21:1 – 5a
John 13:1, 31–33a, 34–35

May 1 – 6th Sunday of Easter

Acts 15:1-2, 22-29
Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23
John 14:23-29

Parish Calendar April 25 – May 1

Mon. 25	St. Mark	6:30 pm Decision Point Program
		6:15-6:45 pm Reconciliation
		6:30 pm Rosary
		7:00 pm MASS
Tues. 26		8:15-8:45 am Reconciliation
		8:30 am Rosary
		9:00 am MASS
		9:45 am Women's Fellowship
		1:00 pm Staff Meeting - office closed for afternoon
Wed., 27		1:00 pm Small Faith Group (4 of 6)
		6:30 pm Practice for 1 st Communion
Thurs. 28		10:00 am Cenacle of Marian Movement of Priests
		6:30 pm Decision Point Program
		6:15-6:45 pm Reconciliation
		6:30 pm Rosary
		7:00 pm MASS
		7:30 pm Small Faith Group (4 of 5)
Fri. 29	St. Catherine of Siena	8:15-8:45 am Reconciliation
		8:30 am Rosary
		9:00 am MASS
		9:30 am Flame of Love
Sat. 30		9:30 am Decision Point Program
		4:15-4:45 pm Reconciliation
		5:00 pm MASS with First Communions
Sun., 1	6th Sunday of Easter	9:00 am MASS with First Communions
		10:00 am Rosary
		10:30 am MASS with First Communions
		10:30 am Communion at Granite Ridge Residence
		1:00 pm Decision Point

Sale of wooden crosses after all masses this weekend.

INTERNATIONAL WORKERS' DAY – May 1

This day is celebrated in many countries. It can be a day to recognize the value of human work, defend the dignity of working people, encourage all to be responsible in their work, and celebrate the role that human work has in God's plan for creation.

THE WOUNDS OF JESUS ARE A SCANDAL

a stumbling block for faith, yet they are also the test of faith. That is why on the body of the risen Christ the wounds never pass away: they remain, for those wounds are the enduring sign of God's love for us. They are *essential for believing in God*. Not for believing that God exists, but for believing that *God is love, mercy, and faithfulness*. Saint Peter, quoting Isaiah, writes to Christians: "by his wounds you have been healed" (1 Peter 2:24).

(Homily, Pope Francis, Divine Mercy Sunday, 27 April 2014)

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS – May 14 & 15



If you are celebrating an anniversary in May and would like your marriage blessed at one of the masses on the weekend of May 14 & 15, please call the office and leave your name, the number of years married and the mass you plan to attend.

Mass Intentions

Sat., April 23 - 5:00 pm

All Parishioners

Sun., April 24 - 9:00 am

† Mildred Mayer by Tom & Jean Pegg

† Leo Roos by Bonnie & Ken Lehmann

For Sarah's Intentions by Cenacle of Marian Movement of Priests

Sun., April 24 - 10:30 am

All Parishioners

Mon., April 25- 7:00 pm

Intentions of all Holy Spirit Parish CWL Members

Tues., April 26 - 9:00 am

† Lucette Marcil by Jacques Marcil

Thurs., April 28 - 7:00 pm

† Jean Irwin by Dolores & Warren Bahen

Fri., April 29 - 9:00 am

† Rose & Vincent Raniere by Sandra Cybulski

Sat., April 30 - 5:00 pm

All Souls by the Cenacle of Marian Movement of Priests

Sun., May 1 - 9:00 am

All Parishioners

Sun., May 1- 10:30 am

† Bill Combe by Bev Combe

† Indicates Deceased

Please pray for all those who are ill:

Please pray for all those who have died.

† Lawrence Ernest Slatter, father of Fr. Mark Slatter



NEW BISHOP APPOINTED FOR MILITARY ORDINARIATE OF CANADA:

His Holiness Pope Francis accepted the resignation of the Most Reverend Donald J. Thériault as Bishop of the Military Ordinariate of Canada and has appointed as his successor the Reverend Father Scott McCaig, C.C. At the time of his appointment, the Bishop-elect was General Superior of the Companions of the Cross.

'HE LOVED THEM TO THE END'

St. John in chapter 13 reveals Jesus love for us in an abundant manner. Love always demands the best from us, and brings out the best in us. Being loved gives us a surprising energy and courage. Love makes us fruitful, productive, strong and constant in doing good. Elizabeth Kubler-Ross, famous for her work on the stages of dying, has written: 'Love is the flame that warms our soul, energises our spirit and supplies passion to our lives. It's our connection to God and to one another.' To love is to heal, both those who receive it and those who give it. To refuse to love is to die. To decide to love is to live. But love is a choice, not a feeling, and when we choose to be loving, caring, healing, helping, and forgiving persons, we experience well-being, contentment and happiness. Freedom from selfishness and freedom to love and care for others, surely that's what life is all about! There's really no other way. So Jesus insists, strongly insists: 'Love one another, as I have loved you.'

A Word from the Pastor

Today's Gospel again comes from the Gospel of John. Like last week, today we hear words spoken by Jesus before his death and Resurrection. Jesus is teaching at the Last Supper. John's Gospel does not include an institution of the Eucharist narrative; instead, Jesus washes his disciples' feet. Immediately after, Jesus predicts his betrayal by Judas. Today's Gospel follows that prediction. It can be read as a continuing explanation of Jesus' act of washing his disciples' feet. It begins with the announcement that this is the moment when the Son of Man will be glorified. This theme continues throughout John's Passion. Jesus will be glorified in his death on the cross and in his Resurrection, and the disciples will glorify Jesus in the love they show. John's Gospel does not present a sentimental view of love. This is a type of love that is shown in service and sacrifice. It is difficult to choose to love when faced with hatred and anger. Jesus tells the disciples that all will know that they are his disciples because of the love they show for one another. This description of the early Christian community will be repeated in the Acts of the Apostles: "See how they love one another." Christian love is the hallmark of Christianity. We see it lived in the witness of the martyrs. We see it in the example of the lives of the saints. We see it in the holy women and men who live and love daily, making small and large sacrifices for others.

As our Parish continues to expand we are looking to have a second full time Priest to serve the needs of Holy Spirit. In addition, the Finance Council is in the process of purchasing a house nearby to accommodate two priests and a seminarian. The College of Consultors, with the consent of Archbishop Prendergast, will vote on this proposal in the near future. Please keep these intentions in your prayers.

A year of Mercy Celebration will be held at Sacred Heart High School on April 26 with the blessing of the Holy Door at 10:15 AM. You are welcome to attend.

Monsignor Joseph Muldoon

Our Catholic Women's League has prepared a book of Mercy and is inviting you to record our corporal and spiritual works of mercy. Please consider writing words or deeds received or offered to others (anonymously) and **briefly** record them in the book in the Atrium.



The Wooden Crosses have arrived. If you ordered one please contact the Office. Additional crosses will be available for sale on the weekend of April 30 / May 1 at \$20 each.

BEING PATIENT IS DIFFICULT

It is not just waiting until something happens over which we have no control: the arrival of the bus, the end of the rain, the return of a friend, the resolution of a conflict. Patience is not waiting passively until someone else does something. Patience asks us to live the moment to the fullest, to be completely present to the moment, to taste the here and now, to be where we are. When we are impatient, we try to get away from where we are. We behave as if the real thing will happen tomorrow, later, and somewhere else. Be patient and trust that the treasure you are looking for is hidden in the ground on which you stand.

Bread For The Journey, Fr. Henri J. M. Nouwen

Forbidden fruits create many jams.

YEAR OF MERCY PILGRIMAGE – Tues., April 26

The grade six students of St. Philip, Guardian Angels, St. Stephen and Holy Spirit Catholic Schools will be making a pilgrimage to Sacred Heart High School on Tuesday, April 26th at 9:45am. They will walk through Sacred Heart's Holy Door, which will be blessed by Monsignor Joe, and participate in a Liturgy. Wish them well as they make their pilgrimage for the Year of Mercy!

THE NEEJE ASSOCIATION FOR WOMEN AND FAMILY

Presents 'Mom, You're Incredible!' Featuring: Dr. Kathleen Lalonde C. Psych. Fostering a love for learning: strategies to help kids learn more and moms stress less. **Sat., April 30, 1:30-4:00 p.m.**, Valrideau University Residence for Women. Cost: \$25. Tickets: Ines Lopes (613-590-1535); (ineslopes@rogers.com).

CLOTHING DRIVE - Sat., May 7th

, Big Brothers and Sisters will be holding a clothing drive in the parking lot of Sacred Heart High School. If you're doing some spring cleaning this year, considering donating your used clothing. You can bring any clothing items in advance to Vito, the Chaplaincy Leader, at Sacred Heart.

BLOOD DONOR CLINIC – Tues., May 10

At Holy Spirit Parish from 4:00 to 8:00 pm. You have the power to give life.

PROJECT RACHEL - May 13-15, 2016.

Are you still hurting from an abortion experience? We can help. Call 416-629-8264 or e-mail ProjectRachel@StMarysRefuge.org. A weekend retreat for women whose hearts have been broken by abortion:— private and confidential.

WOMEN'S RETREAT DAY – Sat., May 28

at St. Isidore's Parish from 9:30-3:30. Sr. Rosemary O'Toole, CSJ, from The Upper Room Home of Prayer, will guide us through their new booklet on the theme 'Understanding False Self and True Self'. "We hold a treasure not made of gold. In earthen vessels, wealth untold. One treasure only, the Lord, the Christ. In earthen vessels." Lunch served. Cost \$20.00 at the door. To register, phone office at 613-592-1961 or email office@stisidorekanata.com before May 21. Hosted by St. Isidore's CWL.

142ND ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE TO SAINTE-ANNE-DE-BEAUPRÉ AND CAP-DE-LA-MADELEINE, AUGUST 13-14, 2016

Weekend celebrant: Archbishop Paul-André Durocher, Archdiocese of Gatineau. Pope Francis has encouraged all to make a pilgrimage during the Year of Mercy. This Pilgrimage is one such opportunity. The Archdiocese of Québec has designated a Door of Mercy at the Shrine of Ste-Anne-de-Beaupré. Participate Saturday evening in a "Stations of Mercy" at Ste-Anne. Info: Mike Budge (613-224-8110); (www.ste-anne-de-beaupre.com).



PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA & LOURDES WITH BARCELONA

Join Fr. Virgil Amirthakumar, St. Isidore Parish, **Oct. 2-11 2016**. \$3,399 (double occupancy) including air, hotel and breakfasts and dinners. Info: parish office (613-592-1961); (office@stisidorekanata.com).

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