



# Holy Spirit Catholic Parish A Welcoming Community

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## PASTORAL TEAM

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**OFFICE HOURS:** Monday to Friday 9:00 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 a communal celebration in Lent, and at other times by appointment.

### BAPTISMS

Baptisms are celebrated throughout the year. Please introduce yourself to the pastor after mass. See parish website for further information.

### 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

Pauline Foley, President 613-836-9444

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Joseph Carbonetto, Grand Knight 613-831-0411

### PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

Steve Campanelli, Chair 613-793-6389

### OUR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

Guardian Angels Elementary 613-836-7423  
Holy Spirit Elementary 613-831-1853  
St. Stephen Elementary 613-831-8844  
Sacred Heart High 613-831-6643



**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: \_\_\_\_\_

## HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH



### Dec 30 – Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Sirach 3.2-6, 12-14  
Colossians 3.12-21  
Luke 2.41-52

### Jan 6 – Epiphany of the Lord

Isaiah 60.1-6  
Ephesians 3.2-3a, 5-6  
Matthew 2.1-12

### Parish Calendar December 31 – January 6

<b>Mon. 31</b>	<b>St. Sylvester I</b>	5:00 pm	<b>MASS</b>
<b>Tues. 1</b>	<b>The Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God</b>	10:00 am	<b>MASS</b>
<b>Thurs. 3</b>	<b>The Most Holy Name of Jesus</b>	10:00 am	Cenacle of Marian Movement of Priests
		11:00 am	Mass at Hazeldean Gardens
		6:20 – 6:45 pm	Reconciliation
		6:30 pm	Rosary
		7:00 pm	<b>MASS</b>
<b>Fri. 4</b>		8:20 – 8:45 am	Reconciliation
		8:30 am	Rosary
		9:00 am	<b>MASS</b>
		9:30 am	First Friday Adoration and Benediction
<b>Sat. 5</b>		4:15 pm	Reconciliation
		5:00 pm	<b>MASS</b>
		6:00 pm	Practice for 1 <sup>st</sup> Reconciliation
<b>Sun. 6</b>	<b>Epiphany of the Lord</b>	9:00 am	<b>MASS</b>
		10:00 am	Rosary
		10:30 am	<b>MASS</b>

Hospitality provided by the Knights of Columbus January 5/6

### Mass Intentions

#### Sat., December 29 – 5:00 pm

Peter Miller by Jan and Bill Turchan

#### Sun., December 30 – 9:00 am

†Richard Moran by Muriel and Leo Gregory

†Lionel LeSage by Rollie and Shirley Fairfield

†Clarence Hogan by Pat and Pauline Foley

#### Sun., December 30 – 10:30 am

All Parishioners

#### Tues., January 1 – 10:00 am

All Parishioners

#### Thurs., January 3 – 7:00 pm

Special Intentions of Patricia and Philip Stotts

#### Fri., January 4 – 7:00 pm

Intentions of Kerry Wilson by Allan and Janice O'Dacre

#### Sat., January 5 – 5:00 pm

†Jackie DiRocco by the Milne Family

Forgotten Souls in Purgatory by Cenacle of Marian Movement of Priests

#### Sun., January 6 – 9:00 am

All Parishioners

#### Sun., January 6 – 10:30 am

†Raymond Hoffman by Arlene Beckett

†Robert Clifford by Jane Halas and Family

†Pietro, †Filomena, †Teresa Scarfo and

†Raffaele, †Angela and †Maria Tassone by Giuseppe and Teresa Scarfo



† Indicates Deceased

### OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

Your 2019 assigned boxed offertory envelopes are available for pick up in the atrium. If you would like to use envelopes but have not done so in the past, take an unassigned box and record it on the form found on the clipboard. Also, clearly mark your name and address on the first several you use. That numbered set will then become assigned to you. Please do not use any 2019 envelopes before nor any 2018 envelopes after January 1, 2019.

**Kindergarten Registration Week:** If your child will be 4 or 5 years old by December 31, 2019, it's time to register for the kindergarten program at the Ottawa Catholic School Board. Kindergarten Registration Week is **January 14-18, 2019** at your local Catholic elementary school. You can also register anytime throughout the year. All schools offer French programming within a caring, innovative and faith-filled environment. Visit <http://ocsb.ca/register/>. Info: Mardi de Kemp, 613-224-4455 ext. 2326.

### APPOINTMENTS:

**Auxiliary Bishop Appointed for Alexandria-Cornwall:** His Holiness Pope Francis has appointed Fr. Guy Desrochers, C.Ss.R., Auxiliary Bishop of the Diocese of Alexandria-Cornwall while assigning him the Titular See of Melzi. As Auxiliary Bishop, he will work closely with The Most Reverend Terrence Prendergast, S.J., who is Bishop of the Diocese of Alexandria-Cornwall and also Archbishop of Ottawa, both of which are united *in persona episcopi*.

### NEW SACRISTANS AND SLIDE OPERATORS NEEDED!

We are currently in need of new sacristans and slide operators to help out with the Sunday masses.

Sacristans arrive about 20-30 minutes before mass and help set up the altar and readings. Slide operators arrive about 10 minutes before mass and advance the slides on the wall during mass. Training is provided and support is always available. If interested please contact Fr. John at [john@holyspiritparish.ca](mailto:john@holyspiritparish.ca) or contact him through the office.

### YOUTH MINISTRY:

The Youth Ministry would like to thank the CWL for their generous donation as well as all those who have helped build up this ministry through their time, talent and tithing.

### PRAYERS FOR VOCATIONS:

**Feast of the Holy Family – Dec. 30.** For all Catholic families, that they will esteem the grace of each child's vocation and prayerfully encourage their children to consider being a priest, deacon, religious sister or brother, we pray to the Lord.

**Life is to live in such a way that we are not afraid to die.**

- **St. Teresa of Avila**

## *Word from the Pastor*

'And when he was twelve years old they went up as usual for the festival'. St. Luke records the story of the finding of Jesus in the temple. He is there to listen and also to teach by the word of the Father. How well do we listen to God's Son and to life's situations. Ponder our listening skills this week.

Happy Birthday Pope Francis who turned 82 on December 17.

*Monsignor Joseph Muldoon*

### COMMUNITY EVENTS

#### ***Vigil of Mary – Mother of God New Year's Eve***

Join the vigil taking place **December 31, 2018 from 8:00pm – 11:00pm** at St. Maurice Parish Church, 4 Perry Street, Ottawa, ON

***Ottawa School of Theology and Spirituality:*** Classes open to all. Registration for winter term, **Mon., Jan. 7, 7:00 p.m.** at Dominican University College, 96 Empress Ave. Once weekly classes on topics such as our current spiritual crisis, Christian art, world Christianity, and more. Info: [www.osts.ca](http://www.osts.ca).

#### ***My Mother's Cry": A Three Half Day Marian Retreat***

St Peter Celestine Parish, Pakenham, ON (139 Renfrew St) **January 9, 10 & 11, 2019**, begins at 8am: Mass, Adoration, holy rosary, reconciliation, spiritual talks, praise and worship... Speakers: Fr Matthew Chojna, Father Hezuk Shroff and Angelina & Dennis Gerard. Music: Queenship of Mary. Cost: \$15. Register: Shannon McGruer at 613-623-9289 or [ShannonMcGruer@gmail.com](mailto:ShannonMcGruer@gmail.com).

***Women of Grace:*** Discussion and prayer based on Johnette Benkovic's (EWTN) Foundational Course on what it means to be a Catholic woman today. Video presentations, Scripture, the Catechism of the Catholic Church, Church documents, saints and scholars and small group discussion. 12-week course. St Patrick's Basilica, Conference Rm., Scavi. Info meeting: **Thurs., Jan. 10, 9:30am**. Group begins: **Thurs., Jan. 17, 9:30-11:30am**. Cost: \$60 for materials; financial assistance available. Facilitator: Mimi Wilson. All women welcome. Info: [mimiwilson613@gmail.com](mailto:mimiwilson613@gmail.com).

#### ***Alpha Tuesdays with Dinner, Weekly at St Mary's Parish:***

Alpha is a series of interactive sessions exploring the basics of the Christian faith. Each session looks at a different question and is designed to create conversation. There's no pressure, no follow-up and no charge; it's just an open, informal, and honest space to explore and discuss life's big questions together. Downstairs Parish Hall, 100 Young St, **6:30 pm each Tuesday, beginning Jan. 22**. Free. Come & See info session: **7:15 pm, Jan 15**. Refreshments. Info: [alpha@stmarysottawa.ca](http://alpha@stmarysottawa.ca); [stmarysottawa.ca/alpha](http://stmarysottawa.ca/alpha).

***The University of Ottawa Choir:*** Resuming for the winter semester in January. Limited places available for new members. Special invitation to Tenors and Basses. Featured: **On March 21**, the Choir will join the University of Ottawa Orchestra, Calixa Lavallée Ensemble and Choral Ensemble to perform Felix Mendelssohn's grand symphony-cantata (*Lobgesang or also known as the Hymn of Praise*) as part of the School of Music's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Info: [info@uottawachoir.ca](mailto:info@uottawachoir.ca); <http://www.uottawachoir.ca>.

***2019 Journey of Hope – A Program for Separated and Divorced Catholics:*** The program, led from a Catholic faith exploration perspective, is designed to help participants find reconciliation, peace and healing by taking positive steps in their daily spiritual life. Women's session begins **Tues., March 19** and men's session begins **Thurs., March 21**. Sessions run 6 weeks, **7:00 - 9:00 pm** at Queen of the Most Holy Rosary parish hall, 20 Grant St. (near Parkdale & Wellington). The cost is \$25. Info & registration: [www.journeyofhopeottawa.com](http://www.journeyofhopeottawa.com); Mary Jane Manley (613-294-1308).

***"The Holy Family is the icon of the domestic Church, called to pray together. The family is the domestic Church and must be the first school of prayer. It is in the family that children, from the tenderest age, can learn to perceive the meaning of God, also thanks to the teaching and example of their parents: to live in an atmosphere marked by God's presence."***  
**- Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI, Dec. 28th, 2011**

### WISDOM

*Our Lady wants her compassion to be known. She is always holding our hands with compassion, suffering with us. She never says, 'I have had enough of you. I am tired of this.' We see her throughout history, in most of her apparitions, in one of two positions: with folded hands, praying to her Son; or with outstretched hands, to hold our hands.*

—MOTHER MARY FRANCIS

*from Cause of Our Joy: Walking Day by Day with Our Lady*

### BUILDING A COMPASIONATE SOCIETY

Our hope and vision must be rooted in the present. So much suffering comes from disappointment. We wait for something which we believe will bring us happiness, and it does not arrive. We see only the negative things that have come our way – illness, a child with a handicap – and we close up in anger and rebellion. Human wisdom means coming back down to earth; not closing ourselves up in a beautiful ideal which we must attain, but welcoming reality just as it is; discovering God present in reality; not struggling against reality, but working with it; discovering the seed of life, the possibilities hidden in it. Of course we must have a vision for the future and focus on it, we must have a plan, and be aware of and responsible for the future, but our hope and vision must be rooted in the present. This is Buddhist wisdom, but also Christian – to discover God in the present moment, to be a friend of time and of reality.

Jean Vanier, Our Journey Home

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