



Holy Spirit Catholic Parish A Welcoming Community

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PASTORAL TEAM

Monsignor Joseph Muldoon, Pastor, pastor@holyspiritparish.ca
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OFFICE HOURS: Monday to Friday 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.; & 12:30 p.m. - 3:30 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.

CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

Kim Baudouin 613-884-8475

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

Claire Moore, President 613-612-1659

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Joseph Carbonetto, Grand Knight 613-831-0411

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

Alex Golob, Chair 613-410-1896

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: _____

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT



Mar 26 – 5th Sunday of Lent

Ezekiel 37.12-14
Romans 8.8-11
John 11.1-45

Apr 2 – Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Matthew 21.1-11
Isaiah 50.4-7
Philippians 2.6-11
Matthew 26.14-27.66

Parish Calendar

- Mon, Mar 27** Parish Office will be closed in the afternoon
9:00 am Mass
 7:00 pm Catholic Women's League General Meeting
- Tue, Mar 28**
9:00 am Mass
6:00-6:45 pm 1st Communion Preparation Meeting
7:00-8:30 pm Confirmation Preparation Meeting
- Wed, Mar 29**
 9:30 am Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
- Thu, Mar 30**
9:00 am Mass with Sacred Heart Grade 9
 9:30 am Cenacle of Marian Movement of Priests
- Fri, Mar 31**
9:00 am Mass
 9:30 am Flame of Love Prayer Group
 9:45am-12:00 pm Reconciliation
 6:00 pm Way of the Cross
- Sat, Apr 1**
 4:00-4:25 pm Reconciliation
5:00 pm Mass
- Sun, Apr 2 Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord**
9:00 am Mass
10:30 am Mass
 11:30 am Youth Choir Practise
 *and Mass will be available on the church website: www.holyspiritparish.ca

WAY OF THE CROSS Please join us on Friday, March 31 at 6:00 pm in the church for Way of the Cross hosted by The Catholic Women's League. Everyone is welcome.

HOLY WEEK CELEBRATIONS:

Holy Thursday, Mass of the Lord's Supper April 6 at 7:00 pm

Bring bells to ring at the Gloria. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament continues until 9pm.
Please bring donation for the Food Bank.

Good Friday, Lord's Passion April 7 at 3:00 pm

Holy Saturday, Easter Vigil April 8 at 8:00 pm

(NOTE: NO 5:00 PM MASS)
Bring bells to ring at the Gloria.

Easter Sunday, Lord's Resurrection April 9 at 9:00 am & 10:30 am

St. Patrick, Bishop and Apostle of Ireland, was the first person in history to publicly condemn slavery. He was also one of the first leaders to champion the cause of equal rights.

Mass Intentions

Sat, Mar 25 – 5:00 pm

†Phil & †Josh by Joan & Family
†Bill Theriault by Kathy & Gerry Lafleur
†Shirley Latour by Leonard Foley

Sun, Mar 26 – 9:00 am

For the intentions of all parishioners

Sun, Mar 26 – 10:30 am

†Connie O'Brien by Garvey Family
†Melanie Legge by Garvey Family
†Lillian Hamilton by Lionel

Mon, Mar 27 – 9:00 am

All souls in purgatory by Marie

Tue, Mar 28 – 9:00 am

Intentions of Patricia Sibbald by Dolores & Warren Bahen

Thu, Mar 30 – 9:00 am

Intentions of Aaron Gifford by Dolores & Warren Bahen

Fri, Mar 31 – 9:00 am

Intentions of Margaret Mulvihill by Marion Di Gaspari

Sat, Apr 1 – 5:00 pm

†Gerald A. Kealey by Elaine Kealey

Intentions of John Bahen by Dolores & Warren Bahen

Sun, Apr 2 – 9:00 am

†John Irwin by Family

†Teresa Hamilton by Pauline Foley

Sun, Apr 2 – 10:30 am

For the intentions of all parishioners



Please pray for those who are sick: Bruce, Marlene, Ron, Patrick, Gaye, Gerald, Vincent

Please pray for those who have died: †Peter Phelan, husband of Judy; †Joyce Fowler, mother of Joanne Gage; †John Brummell

†Indicates Deceased

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS That priests, deacons, sisters and brothers who, for the sake of Christ, have suffered the loss of all things, will be strengthened in their vocations to bring many souls to the knowledge of salvation, we pray to the Lord.

CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in June 2023 and supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 1-800-268-2637.

The Pontifical Collection for the Holy Land - The Good Friday, April 7, collection is requested by the Holy See to help maintain the Church's holy places in the Holy Land, so important to the faith of Christians everywhere, and also to support the faithful who struggle to survive under political and economic oppression and persecution. Please give generously.

Word from the Pastor

From today's Ezekiel reading: O my people! I will put my spirit in you that you may live, and I will settle you upon your land; thus you shall know that I am the Lord.

Throughout the world our Church has been seriously damaged by the clerical sexual abuse scandals. At this Eucharist we implore our Creator God to restore our dead and wounded parts to new life; to breathe the Spirit into us, as God promises to do today through the prophet Ezekiel. Have I prayed for the healing of the victims of sexual abuse in the Church? Have I intensified my prayers this Lent for the healing of the Church from this scandal?

The Chrism Mass will be on Tuesday, April 4 at 5:00 pm at Notre Dame Cathedral. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Members of Finance Council conducted an interview for the Youth/Sacramental position. Details to follow!

Become a blessing to others. A legacy of faith remains for all as you choose to remember Holy Spirit Parish in your will. For more information contact the Parish Office.

Monsignor Joseph Muldoon

This Lent, please give generously

This Solidarity Sunday, Development and Peace — Caritas Canada's **Stand for the Land** campaign invites you to give generously and thanks you warmly for your generosity. Your donation transforms the lives of some of our most vulnerable sisters and brothers across the world. **Our solidarity rests on your generosity.** "The support we receive from Development and Peace has been very important for me. It allowed me to find myself, to live again." -Raquel Soto, participant in the documentary filmmaking school of the *Asociación Campesina de Antioquia* (ACA, Peasant Association of Antioquia) Such is the difference you can make by giving to your Share Lent parish collection or at devp.org/give. Thank you for helping us build a world of justice.



STITTSVILLE FOOD BANK

Thank you to all parishioners who share with those less fortunate in our community. Monetary donations are best right now but cereal, peanut butter, jam, bags of rice, soups, tins of tuna and salmon are also needed. Please do not leave food outside, but bring your donations during office hours or when you come to Sunday Mass.

Join us in Ottawa, **Thu, May 11, 2023** as we **march for life** in solidarity with the vulnerable and marginalized and **STAND FIRM** for: the pre-born, mothers in crisis pregnancies, individuals targeted due to disability, people suffering from mental illness or desperation, the elderly in hospitals and care homes. Visit www.marchforlife.ca for more information on March for Life Week (May 7-12).

To all parishes' generous faithful

Thank you to all who donate to the ongoing operation of the parish. For e-Transfer please send it to admin@holyspiritparish.ca and use the password, "Holyspirit". We currently have a significant number of parishioners who contribute via bank auto debit. If you would like more information about the program or wish to participate, please contact the parish office at 613-836-8881 or email admin@holyspiritparish.ca.

Practical bits of wisdom from St. Francis de Sales on authentic, holy friendship: "It is absolutely necessary for friendship that mutuality should exist between the two who love each other."

Wrestling with God and Losing

Nikos Kazantzakis, that tortured Greek writer who was constantly haunted by God, once wrote of an experience he had when he went to visit a monk at Mt. Athos. "Father Macarius," he said to the old monk, "I remember that in your younger days you wrestled with the devil. Do you still do that?"

"No," Father Macarius replied, "the devil has grown old, and so have I. I no longer struggle with the devil. Now I wrestle with God."

"You wrestle with God?" said Kazantzakis. "You wrestle with God, and hope to win?"

"No," said Father Macarius. "I wrestle with God, and I hope to lose." So may we all. ~ Donald B. Strobe, Collected Words, www.Sermons.com

Hurt by abortion? **Project Rachel** is a ministry for women who have suffered the loss of a child from abortion. Our next weekend retreat is being offered at St. Mary of Egypt Refuge, April 28-30 – "Come away." For information, visit www.stmarysrefuge.org/rachel, call 289-691-6840 or e-mail projectrachel@stmarysrefuge.org.

MARYVALE ACADEMY is holding the annual gala on Sat, Apr 29, 2023 at the St. Elias Centre. Join us for an evening of celebration and inspiration, and reconnect with the Catholic community over dinner! Early bird price of \$65 until Apr 6; \$75 after. To learn more, buy tickets and donate, visit maryvalegala2023.ca.

EASTER ALTAR FLOWERS

A special way to remember loved ones or to celebrate a loved one's birthday or anniversary, is to donate Altar Flowers in their honour. Please complete this form and put it, along with your cheque made payable to Holy Spirit Parish, in an envelope marked *Easter Altar Flowers* and place it in the collection basket or drop it off at the Parish Office. All intentions will be printed in a bulletin during the Easter Season.

(PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)

Name of person(s) or intentions: _____

Name of person making the donation: _____

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Remember loved ones this Easter and give glory to the Lord by helping to decorate for this beautiful season.

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