



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. - 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: _____

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



May 21 – Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord

Acts 1.1-11
Ephesians 1.17-23
Matthew 28.16-20

May 28 – Pentecost Sunday

Acts 2.1-11
1 Corinthians 12.3b-7,12-13
John 20.19-23

Parish Calendar

Mon, May 22 Parish Office Closed
No Mass

Tue, May 23
9:00 am Mass

Thu, May 25
9:00 am Mass
9:30 am Cenacle of Marian Movement of Priests

Fri, May 26 St. Philip Neri
9:00 am Mass
9:30 am Flame of Love Prayer Group

Sat, May 27
4:00-4:25 pm Reconciliation
5:00 pm Mass

Sun, May 28 Pentecost Sunday
9:00 am Mass
10:30 am Mass
12:00-12:45 pm Confirmation Preparation Meeting
*and Mass will be available on the church
website: www.holyspiritparish.ca

Prayer for Vocations

That Christ, from his seat in heaven, will bless and guide all those called to serve Him as priests, deacons, sisters and brothers, we pray to the Lord.

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.

Spiritual Motherhood of Priests (SMOP): An invitation to any Catholic woman interested in becoming a Spiritual Mother of Priests. Formation Weekend and Induction/Renewal Promises Mass—June 2, 3, 4, 2023 at Holy Redeemer Parish, 44 Rothesay Dr. Details at events page on www.spiritualmotherhoodofpriests.ca Please register by email to spiritualmotherhoodottawa@gmail.com by May 24. For more info: 613-254-7220.

The Catholic Women's League of Canada means: CHANGE Are you ready to transform your spiritual life, serve others and act on social justice issues? This change is possible when you join the Catholic Women's League. It has all these values at the heart of its mission.

Mass Intentions

Sat, May 20 – 5:00 pm
†Maria Teresa & †Jose Chavolla and †Marina & †Carlos Wolf by Veronica Wolf & Daniel Chavolla
†Vince Barton by Phil Rocco
†Gerry McGee by James Riordan

Sun, May 21 – 9:00 am
For the intentions of all parishioners

Sun, May 21 – 10:30 am
†Julian Pothier by Asquith Family
†Ronald Comeau by Bertha Emmett
†Linola Cantusci by Sam & Anna Cantusci

Tue, May 23 – 9:00 am
Intentions of Margaret Mulvihill by Marion Di Gaspari
Special Intentions of Pauline Foley
†Ennio Di Saverio by Daniela

Thu, May 25 – 9:00 am
Intentions of Marion Di Gaspari by Margaret Mulvihill
†Micheal Joseph Di Iorio & †Louna Di Iorio by Francesco
†Carmine Di Saverio by Daniela

Fri, May 26 – 9:00 am
Intentions of Aaron Gifford by Warren & Dolores Bahen
For souls in purgatory
Intentions of Laplante Family

Sat, May 27 – 5:00 pm
†Agnes Mulvihill by Margaret & Graham Pappin
†Antoinette Massardier by Denise Lee
†Louise Antosik by Riordan Family

Sun, May 28 – 9:00 am
†Oswald & †Kay Muldoon
†James & †Nora Muldoon
†Basil & †Monica Muldoon by Monsignor J. Muldoon

Sun, May 28 – 10:30 am
For the intentions of all parishioners

Please pray for those who are sick: Bruce, Marlene, Ron, Patrick, Marian, Gerald, John

Please pray for those who have died: †George Jacobson, husband of Rosemary



†Indicates Deceased



We welcome to our parish family the child who was recently baptized: Eve. We give thanks and praise to God for the new life in Christ bestowed upon this child.

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.

Word from the Pastor

Ascension, in Christian belief, is the ascent of Jesus Christ into heaven on the 40th day after his Resurrection (Easter being reckoned as the first day). The Feast of the Ascension ranks with Christmas, Easter, and Pentecost in the universality of its observance among Christians.

The first group of children will receive First Eucharist this weekend. Let us keep them in prayer.

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



Calling all Euchre Players: Come for a fun afternoon of Euchre on Sunday, June 11, 1:00 - 4:00 pm in the Church Hall. Hosted by the Holy Spirit Parish Catholic Women's League. Tickets are \$10 per person. Please purchase in advance. There will be prizes for the winners, door prizes and 50/50 draw. For info and tickets, contact Allison Adam at 613-878-4512 or Claire Moore at 613-612-1659. Everyone is welcome.

Pilgrimage to France, Spain & Portugal under spiritual leadership of Fr. Gerard Plant Pastor, St. Leonard Parish in Manotick, Sep 23 – Oct 4, 2023 - 12 days - \$4,499.00 (Ottawa Dep. incl. all taxes & tips). For more info email joseph@travia.ca

Good News About the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd! The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) is a faith formation program for children where the treasures of the Catholic faith found in scripture and liturgy are shared. It all happens in a special place called the atrium. To learn more about the program, go to The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Association of Canada (CGSAC) website (www.cgsac.ca).

An opportunity for formation for those interested in becoming a catechist for CGS Level 1 (children aged 3-6) is available this summer. This formation is being offered in Ottawa from July 13-18th. To learn more about this opportunity go to the courses section of the CGSAC website (www.cgsac.ca/courses-1) and scroll down to *Upcoming Courses* to find information about the Ottawa formation OR look for the poster and brochure in the church.

St. Mary's Pentecost Vigil – Night of Worship and Ministry Join St. Mary's Parish, 100 Young St, on May 27th (7-9:30 pm) for an evening of praise, prophecy, teaching, healing, and Eucharistic adoration. Theme: *Become Fire!* Speaker: Fr. Mark Goring, CC, Pastor of St. Mary's Parish. For more info contact Natalia at night.worship.ministry@stmarysottawa.ca

Synod Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ):

Can women be deacons in the Catholic Church today?

A: In 2016, responding to women religious, Pope Francis created a commission on the permanent diaconate for women. The six male and six female scholars did not reach consensus. So in 2020, Pope Francis established a second, ongoing commission to respond to the Pan-Amazon Bishops and lay people who expressed a need for women deacons. The Synod also revealed an urgent need for baptised, Catholic women to be valued as equal members of the People of God. Although most love the Church, some women feel their needs and spiritual gifts are not understood or fully valued. So we are asked to continue discerning the possibility of women serving in governance, preaching or the permanent diaconate. Join Team Holy Spirit! Louise Beggs at louisebeggs@icloud.com, 613-852-4469

North Glengarry Parish Renewal will see changes to the existing structures. The parishes of St. Catherine of Sienna, Greenfield; St. Anthony, Apple Hill; and St. James, Maxville will soon be closed and will begin worshipping at St. Finnan's Basilica in Alexandria.

In the context of the National Week for Family and Life, the Permanent Council of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops has issued both an *Open Letter to the Government of Canada* and a *Message to the Catholic Faithful* on federal legislation which, by 17 March 2024, will permit persons living with mental illness to access euthanasia.

Over the years, CCCB members have consistently and repeatedly expressed their opposition to euthanasia and assisted suicide, which was legalised in Canada in June 2016. As predicted in 2015, subsequent amendments to the legislation have allowed for an ever-expanding list of vulnerable persons to be made eligible for euthanasia and assisted suicide, including the most recent amendment permitting those whose sole medical condition is a mental illness to access euthanasia or assisted suicide ('Medical Aid in Dying' or 'MAiD').

As stated in both the *Open Letter* and *Message*, "Expanding access to euthanasia and assisted suicide for individuals living with a mental illness closes the door to any hope of recovery...undermines the universal and inviolable dignity of human life and harms the building up of society."

Referencing our common dependency on each other in varying degrees throughout life, the CCCB calls on the federal and provincial/territorial governments to allocate more resources and funding to mental healthcare as well as to palliative care.

The CCCB also encourages the faithful "to witness to life, to tend to and accompany the sick, to resist pressure to support or participate in 'MAiD,' and to pray that our law makers may see the harm in what they are permitting to take place."

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