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OFFICE HOURS
Tuesday to Thursday
9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

WEEKDAY LITURGY:
Monday to Thursday: 8:30 a.m.

SUNDAY LITURGY
Saturday: 4:30 p.m. & Sunday
9:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
Saturday: 3:00 p.m. to 4:15 p.m.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION
Monday to Thursday
7:00 a.m. to 8:15 a.m.
(Confessions are available during this time)

PARISH REGISTRATION
Welcome to new parishioners.
Please call the parish office to register.

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BAPTISMS:	Julia Moffat	613-697-7966
CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP:	Antonella Couse	613-668-2400
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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #16714:	Jeff Edwards	613-729-4071
MARRIAGE:	Parish Office	613-225-7388
	At least 9 months prior to marriage date	
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PASTORAL CARE:	Parish Office	613-225-7388
PASTORAL COUNCIL:	David Lafferty	613-421-8115
PRO-LIFE:	Dolly Moyse	613-221-9178
SOCIAL ACTION:	Denis Therrien	613-290-3028

PARISH SCHOOLS

St. Augustine Elementary	1009 Arnot Road	613-225-8020
St. Rita Elementary	1 Inverness Ave.	613-224-6341
Frank Ryan Senior Elementary	128 Chesterton Ave.	613-224-8833
St. Piux X High School	1481 Fisher Ave.	613-225-8105

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PASTOR'S DESK

MARCH 1ST, 2026 – SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

Faithful Stewards

"Go forth from the land of your kinsfolk and from your father's house to a land that I will show you." GENESIS 12:1

God calls all of us to leave behind our old ways and to follow Him, placing our complete trust in Him. Some of the old ways that we struggle to leave behind might be materialism, selfishness and greed. Yet, God promises to show us a new land and a better way to live. Remember what St. Teresa of Calcutta said, "God does not call us to be successful, God calls us to be faithful."

Having a mentor like St Augustine is really a blessing for this Lenten season. I was reading a small book of reflections around the Eucharist and he had a great and passionate devotion on the Eucharist where nothing else could get in the way. Toward the end of his life, he was really crushed with the circumstance of his life coming to an end; yet he gained strength from the power of the "penitential psalms" which I refer to in confession, especially Psalm 51, 71 and 86. St. Augustine contemplates (his life) in the midst of his beloved city and Diocese of Hippo came "literally" crumbling down.

St. Augustine (born November 13, 354, Tagaste, Numidia [now Souk Ahras, Algeria]—died August 28, 430, Hippo Regius [now Annaba, Algeria]; feast day August 28) was the bishop of Hippo from 396 to 430, one of the Latin Fathers of the Church, and perhaps the most significant Christian thinker after St. Paul.

Rite of Election:

This year the Archbishop has given permission for all parishes to have the Rite celebrated in their home parish. This year we are fortunate to have the witness of Alex Douglas as catechumen (not baptized) who is seeking FULL communion in Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist at the Easter Vigil (April 4). As the Rite indicates he is welcomed at the door of the church, signed by the cross, special blessing and welcome after the Homily. We were fortunate to witness this at the 10:30 Mass on Sunday Feb. 22; along with the many children for First Eucharist, around 20 at all the Masses.

Having a catechumen at the parish church is a significant gift that allows the community to witness the spiritual journey of the catechumen. It provides an opportunity for the community to support the catechumen's preparation for the sacraments of initiation, such as Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy Eucharist.

VIGIL LIGHT INTENTION

The vigil light in front of the Blessed Sacrament is reserved for:

MAR.1ST ~ Intentions of Doris & Mikhail ~

VIGIL LIGHT INTENTIONS

Intentions for the vigil candle at the Blessed Sacrament can be made at the parish office at $5 for the week.

Anne Rolfe, Margaret Heaslip, Maureen Funai, Lillian Bradley, Paulette Chennette, Marie Springhall, Paul O'Grady, John Leman, Maureen Clulee, Deacon Chris Moffat, Frances Grandbois, Ken Taylor, John LeBrun, Wanda Hartlin, Lynn Kealey, the seniors at the Ravines and at Stirling Park, those who are isolated, lonely and those suffering from mental illness.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS - MAR. 1st

For the Church, that those called to serve as priests and consecrated may be transfigured by God's love and shine as witnesses of Christ, let us pray to the Lord.

SCRIPTURE READINGS – MAR. 1ST

First Reading: **Genesis 12:1-4a**
"I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great."

Second Reading: **2 Timothy 1:8b-10**
God saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace.

Gospel: **Matthew 17: 1-9**
"Get up and do not be afraid."

MONTHLY HEALING MASS

The next monthly healing Mass, hosted by the People of Joy Prayer Group, will be on **Friday, Mar. 6th, at 7:00 p.m.** with confessions at 6:00 p.m.

HORIZONS OF HOPE PROGRAM: A CATHOLIC FAITH-BASED PROGRAM ON PALLIATIVE CARE

Location: St. Augustine Conference Room
Saturday, March 7, 2026, 8:30 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.
Facilitators: Tim Langlois JD and Julie Langlois PhD
To register or learn more, contact: Julie Langlois
Phone: 613-791-5770
Email: Julie.Langlois817@gmail.com

GOSPEL OF MARK – BIBLE STUDY

We continue to read through Mark and reflect on what it teaches us about Jesus, the Catholic faith, and what it means to be a Christian. No prior knowledge of the Gospels is required, and newcomers to Catholicism or Christianity in general are welcome.

We meet **once per month, on Monday evenings.** The next meeting is **Monday, March 9th at 7:00 p.m., in the rectory meeting room.** To sign up, please email davidwlafferty@gmail.com.

EVANGELIZATION EVENTS

The upcoming workshops and retreat will give you an opportunity to take ownership of your relationship with God and equip you to take part in the diocesan vision to **"Go Out, Go Deep, Go Together."**

Mar. 14 Workshop "Learn How to Pray"
12:30-3:00 p.m., Parish Hall
Apr. 11 Workshop "How to Share the Gospel"
12:30-3:00 p.m., Parish Hall

SAVE THE DATE - Apr. 18 Retreat
(Off-site)

Email corymae.omega@ottawa-cornwall.ca to register.

Mass Intentions

MAR. 1ST TO MAR. 7TH

Sun. Mar. 1	**9:00 a.m.**	***Missa Pro Populo***
Sun. Mar. 1	**10:30 a.m.**	***For the repose of the soul of Carolina Di Rienzo*** by her brother & family.
Mon. Mar. 2	**8:30 a.m.**	***For the Sisters of Jeanne D'Arc*** by Maria DeSousa.
Tues. Mar. 3	**8:30 a.m.**	For ***the intentions of Rita & Edmond*** by Fr. Frank Scott.
Wed. Mar. 4	**8:30 a.m.**	***For Fr. Frank Scott*** by Maria DeSousa.
Thurs. Mar. 5	**8:30 a.m.**	For ***the intentions of Andrew*** by his parents.
Fri. Mar. 6	**8:30 a.m.**	For Fr. Michael's Intentions.
Sat. Mar. 7	**8:30 a.m.**	***For Stephen Chang & Stella Lee*** by Anna Chang.
Sat. Mar. 7	**4:30 p.m.**	***Missa Pro Populo***

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

HOLY THURSDAY – APRIL 2	
MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER	**7:30 P.M.**
Please note that there is no 8:30 a.m. Mass today.	
GOOD FRIDAY – APRIL 3	
STATIONS OF THE CROSS FOR CHILDREN & FAMILIES	**9:00 A.M.**
STATIONS OF THE CROSS	**10:00 A.M.**
PASSION OF THE LORD	**3:00 P.M.**
A reminder that Good Friday is a day of fasting for people between the ages 18 and 59. Abstinence on this day is to be observed for those who are 14 years of age or older.	
HOLY SATURDAY – APRIL 4	
EASTER VIGIL MASS *Blessing of the fire & water, liturgy of the word, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist.*	**8:00 P.M.**
Please note that there will be no 4:30 p.m. Mass today.	
EASTER SUNDAY – APRIL 5	
EASTER SUNDAY MASS	**9:00 A.M.**
EASTER SUNDAY MASS	**10:30 A.M.**

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