



# 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. & 11:00 a.m.

## WEEKDAY EUCHARIST

As indicated in the weekly calendar.

## RECONCILIATION

Available before weekday and Saturday Masses as indicated in the weekly calendar and 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.

## CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION

Kim Boudouin 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

Louise Beggs, President [cwlholyspiritparish@gmail.com](mailto:cwlholyspiritparish@gmail.com)

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

James MacLean, Grand Knight 613-831-8617

## PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

Jan Haubrich, Chair 613-850-3283

## OUR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

St. Bernadette Elementary 613-907-4122

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: \_\_\_\_\_

## PENTECOST SUNDAY



### June 8 – Pentecost Sunday

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

### June 15 – Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

Proverbs 8.22-31  
Romans 5.1-5  
John 16.12-15

#### Parish Calendar

**Mon, Jun 9** Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church  
7:00 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry

**Tue, Jun 10**  
9:00 am Mass  
7:00 pm Knights of Columbus planning meeting

**Wed, Jun 11** St. Barnabas  
9:00 am Mass  
7:00 pm Choir Practice

**Thu, Jun 12**  
9:00 am Mass  
9:30 am Cenacle of Marian Movement of Priests  
7:00 pm Youth Night Grades 6-8

**Fri, Jun 13** St. Anthony of Padua  
9:00 am Mass  
9:30 am Flame of Love Prayer Group  
2:00 pm Funeral Mass – Peter Aristotle

**Sat, Jun 14**  
4:15-4:45 pm Reconciliation  
5:00 pm Mass

**Sun, Jun 15** Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity  
9:00 am Mass  
11:00 am Mass

\*coffee Sunday hosted by the Catholic Women's League after the 9 & 11 am Masses. Everyone welcome!

\*Confession available before morning Mass 8:30-8:50am

A warm thank you to all parishioners and guests who came to our Catholic Women's League Euchre Party last Saturday! A very sincere thank you to Michelle Cole and her team for coordinating this fun parish event with such enthusiasm and care!

Thank You to CWL: the CWL donated crosses for the children receiving First Holy Communion and Confirmation this year. Thank you to the members for this special reminder of the reception of these sacraments!

**SUMMER OFFICE HOURS AND BULLETIN REMINDER** The Parish Office will be closed on Fridays during July and August. Summer Sunday bulletins will be published biweekly during July and August and back to weekly bulletins as of August 31<sup>st</sup>. Please submit your requests for announced Masses early so they may be published.

Donate to our Parish  
or Youth Ministry



For e-Transfer please send it to [admin@holyspiritparish.ca](mailto:admin@holyspiritparish.ca) and use the password: Holyspirit (all one word with a capital H).

#### Mass Intentions

**Tue, Jun 10 – 9:00 am**  
Intentions of Holden Family by Eileen Garvey & Family

**Wed, Jun 11 – 9:00 am**  
†Shawn Payer by Jacques & Jeannie

**Thu, Jun 12 – 9:00 am**  
†Joan Sheahan by Mary & Mike Watters

**Fri, Jun 13 – 9:00 am**  
Intentions of Jeremy by Rita

**Sat, Jun 14 – 5:00 pm**  
†Wayne Peckham by Randy Peckham & Family  
†John McCarthy by Lyle & Ann Pederson  
†Mary Yutronkie by Lori, Mark, Ashton & Ashleigh Hoare  
Intentions of Audrey Kwula by Dan Palmer  
†Leo Gregory by Muriel Gregory

**Sun, Jun 15 – 9:00 am**  
†Rosanne MacDonald by Suzanne & Kevin O'Hara  
†Alex Morris by Carol Carroll  
†Bill Gagatsek by Alice  
†Marianna Rita, †Enrico Riga & †Carolina Fiore by Family

**Sun, Jun 15 – 11:00 am**  
For the intentions of all parishioners



**Please pray for those who are sick:**

**Please pray for those who have died:** †Elsie Lafontaine, wife of Raymond

†Indicates Deceased.

**Parish Prayer:** Come Holy Spirit, most holy patron of our parish. Be with us, your people, as we prayerfully journey together as the people of God. Help us to rediscover the richness and depth of our faith. Help our parish and school family grow together as a community of faith in which we share your love with one another. Grant us growth in faith as we strive to live Christian community in our homes, in our parish, in our schools and in our world. We ask this in the name of Jesus. Amen.

The **Lighthouse Youth Ministries** Youth Nights continue: this week Grades 6-8. This week's theme: Trinity. Bring a friend. Check Parish Calendar above. Our ministry is still looking for volunteers, if you feel called to help in any way, please contact Alex for next steps!  
[youth@holyspiritparish.ca](mailto:youth@holyspiritparish.ca)

**Baptism** – Was your child baptized when they were younger? It's never too soon to take this important step in their faith journey. We invite families with children who have not yet been baptized to contact the parish office to learn more about baptizing their children – infants, toddlers, school aged – we can help you. 613-836-8881 or [admin@holyspiritparish.ca](mailto:admin@holyspiritparish.ca)

### Pentecost Sunday Reflection:

We celebrate today the Feast of Pentecost, the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon Mary and the Apostles at the beginning of the Church. The Collect for Mass today asks God for a special grace: “pour out, we pray, the gifts of the Holy Spirit across the face of the earth and, with the divine grace that was at work when the Gospel was first proclaimed, fill now, once more, the hearts of believers.” We ask God for a renewal of the Holy Spirit in our hearts so that we too might proclaim the Gospel message in our time.

Fr. Geoff

**Parish Rectory Question:** We have six months remaining on the mortgage for the rectory on Forest Creek. We are looking at all of the reasons for maintaining two rectories. The onsite rectory, St. Joseph House, is too small for two priests but we cannot afford an associate pastor at the present time. We have begun looking into the feasibility of finishing the basement for a future assistant pastor to provide additional living space for a second priest. We will update the parish as we get more information and consider our options.

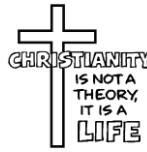
**Volunteer Appreciation Celebration-You're Invited!** To all our amazing volunteers: We are so grateful for the time, talents, love and service you give to our church community. To show our appreciation, we warmly invite you to a special Volunteer Appreciation Celebration on Saturday, June 28. Join us for a Mass celebration at 9AM, followed by a reception, fellowship, and gratitude as we celebrate you at the heart of our ministry. Please RSVP on the sign-up board. Thank you for being the hands and feet of Christ here at Holy Spirit Parish.

**CWL Pilgrims of Hope Trip:** The Holy Spirit Parish Catholic Women's League invites you to join us for our Pilgrims of Hope journey to Alexandria on June 14, 2025, to visit St. Finnan's Basilica and St. Raphael's Ruins. We will travel by bus and the cost will be \$25 per person. All parishioners are invited to join this day trip. For information or to reserve a seat, contact Louise 613-852-4469 or Paula 613-836-5140, or email: [cwlholyspiritparish@gmail.com](mailto:cwlholyspiritparish@gmail.com)

### Indigenous & Parishioners Celebration of the Land

On June 21, from 1-4pm, everyone is invited to a celebration of the land at Holy Spirit Church. Activities include: viewing artifacts from parish site, Archeological presentation, the blessing of a plaque to honor all human ancestors, family activities, stories, and Indigenous refreshments and hospitality.

**85th Annual Pilgrimage to the Shrine of St. Ann in Cormac and Diocesan Celebration of the Jubilee Year of Hope** will take place on Sun, July 27, 2025. For more info visit [www.cormacpilgrimage.com](http://www.cormacpilgrimage.com) or [www.facebook.com/CormacStAnn](https://www.facebook.com/CormacStAnn). Welcome everyone!



### RCIA: The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

An invitation to a journey of discovery is open to all adults seeking entry into the Catholic Church or completing their sacraments through Baptism, Reconciliation,

Eucharist and Confirmation. If you or someone you know is interested in the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults process, please call the Parish Office (613-836-8881) with regards to RCIA. We begin in September! If you would like to volunteer as a leader, contact Alex Ducharme [youth@holyspiritparish.ca](mailto:youth@holyspiritparish.ca)

### Transgender realities: Catholic teaching at the crossroads (Young Adult Series)

How should we as Catholics be responding to those transitioning, detransitioning, or struggling with their gender including those trying to walk their Catholic faith in the process? Explore how Catholics can engage compassionately and truthfully with the reality of gender dysphoria. Let's not shy away from stepping into "dangerous" conversations that could change a life for the better. Join us June 18 from 6:45pm-9:00 pm at St. George Parish, N 415 Piccadilly Ave, Ottawa. *This event is part of the Why Not More Young Adult Series.*

Holy Spirit Parish	Financial Results	Year ended
	December 31, 2024	
The following summary reflects the financial results for Holy Spirit Parish for the fiscal year 2024. Since Covid 19 we have experienced ongoing deficits. If this situation continues our accumulated reserve fund will soon be depleted. A sincere thank you to our faithful parishioners for their past and ongoing financial support.		
	<b>Actual for year</b>	
<b>Revenue</b>	<b>ended Dec 31, 2024</b>	<b>Budget for 2025</b>
Collections	\$365,614	\$402,175
Misc. Revenue Interest Earned	27,052	15,700
Loan Fund Diocese	9,757	10,000
Total Revenue	<u>402,423</u>	<u>427,875</u>
<b>Expenses</b>		
Salaries & Benefits	193,233	229,817
Office, Telephone, Misc.	62,719	40,500
Exterior, Interior Maintenance, Repairs	73,755	104,100
Utilities: Hydro, Gas, Water & Sewer	28,392	38,400
Municipal Taxes	7,771	8,000
Insurance	10,288	11,000
Interest & Bank Charges	3,495	2,950
Diocesan Tax	43,879	52,283
Other Parish Activities	2,632	2,500
Total Expenses	<u>426,164</u>	<u>489,550</u>
Deficit	<u>(23,741)</u>	<u>(61,675)</u>
Mortgage Principal Payment	46,893	45,046
Capital Purchases (Furniture, Equipment)	16,807	7,500
Cash Flow Deficit for year	<u>(\$87,441)</u>	<u>(\$114,221)</u>



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