



Holy Spirit Catholic Parish A Welcoming Community

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OFFICE HOURS: Monday 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.; Tuesday 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 Baudouin holyspiritcff@gmail.com

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

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: _____

PALM SUNDAY OF LORD'S PASSION



Mar 29 – 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

Apr 5 – the Resurrection of the Lord

Acts 10.34a,37-43
 Colossians 3.1-4
 John 20.1-18

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Tue, Mar 31 – 9:00 am

Intentions of Aaron Gifford by Dolores & Warren

Wed, Apr 1 – 9:00 am

†Joe McGrath by Family

Thu, Apr 2 – 7:00 pm

Intentions of Lebrun & Laplante Families

***Good Friday, Apr 3 – 3:00 pm**

The Passion of the Lord



Sat, Apr 4 – 8:00 pm

For all souls in purgatory by Abraham Family

Sun, Apr 5 – 9:00 am

For poor souls in purgatory

Intentions of Liam O'Hara by Suzanne

Deceased members of Buljan & Stanic Family

Intentions of Matt by Varner Family

Sun, Apr 5 – 11:00 am

For the intentions of all parishioners

Please pray for those who are sick: Maria Gaudreau; Debbie Rocheford; Lionel

Please pray for those who have died: †Deacon Moran McMahan, †Miricio Teixeira †Indicates Deceased.

The Way of the Cross will be held each Friday evening during Lent at 6:30pm in the church. Everyone is welcome!

**This Week at Holy Spirit Church
 Monday, March 30 to Sunday, April 5**

Mon	<i>Parish Office Closed in Afternoon</i>	
	6:00 pm	First Communion Preparation
Tue	5:30 pm	First Communion Preparation
	7:00 pm	Confirmation Preparation
Wed	6:00 pm	Choir Practice
Thu	9:00 am	Children's Faith Formation
	9:30 pm	Cenacle of Marian Movement of Priests
Fri	<i>Parish Office Closed for Good Friday</i>	
	6:30 pm	Way of the Cross ~ Family Stations

**Confession available before weekday Masses 8:30-8:50am*

You are warmly invited to a **Divine Mercy Sunday** celebration on Sun, April 12, at 3:00 pm at St. John the Apostle Parish, 2340 Baseline Rd. The afternoon will include a short film on the life of Saint Faustina, reflections on the message of Divine Mercy, the Act of Consecration of the world to Divine Mercy inspired by Saint John Paul II, and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy prayed together. All are welcome to join us for this special time of prayer and reflection on God's infinite mercy.



HOLY WEEK CELEBRATIONS:

**Holy Thursday ~ Mass of the Lord's Supper
 April 2 ~ 7:00 pm**

Bring bells to ring at the Gloria.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament continues until 10pm.

**Good Friday ~ the Passion of the Lord
 April 3 ~ 3:00 pm**

**Holy Saturday, Easter Vigil ~ The First Mass of Easter
 April 4 ~ 8:00 pm**

(NOTE: NO 5:00 pm MASS)

Bring bells to ring at the Gloria.

**Easter Sunday ~ The Resurrection of the Lord
 April 5 ~ 9:00 am & 11:00 am**

Good Friday, April 3, is the special collection for the Needs of the Church in the Holy Land, and universal day of fasting and abstinence from meat.

PLEASE NOTE: The Parish Office will be closed on Good Friday and Easter Monday.

The Pontifical Collection for the Holy Land - The Good Friday, April 3, 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.

CHRISM MASS: March 31st at 5pm at the Notre-Dame Cathedral The Chrism Mass is a special annual Mass where our Archdiocese gathers together to receive the new holy oils for the year. Priests renew their vows and the Archbishop blesses three different oils which are then distributed to parishes: the Oil of the Sick, the Oil of Catechumens, and the Sacred Chrism. All are welcome.

Cupcakes & Muffins - Coffee Sunday April 19:

Twice a month, we are blessed to have a chance to gather over coffee, juice and treats to share some time together as parishioners and disciples. We are looking for volunteers who can help set up, clean up afterwards and also for contributions for the snacks - this month Cupcakes & Muffins! Sign-up sheet and bring your favorite cupcakes & muffins to share with your fellow parishioners!



*Donate to our Parish
 or Youth Ministry*



Sunday Reflection:

Jesus prayed in the garden before his trial: “My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from me; yet not what I want, but what you want.” The Gospel narrative of the Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ is the most powerful demonstration of the depth of God’s love for humanity. God asks his Son to take the weight of the world’s sins on his shoulders to free us from its consequences. What makes today (and Good Friday) so powerful is that God the Father does not spare his own Son, Jesus. Jesus is the spotless Lamb of God offered on the altar of the Cross for the forgiveness of our sins. If we ever doubt that God loves us, that He passionately cares for humanity in our brokenness and sins, the death of his Son on the Cross is the answer to that doubt. God loves us that much and so does Jesus.

Fr. Geoff

End of life care - A Catholic Perspective: *Do you have questions about MAiD (Medical Assistance in Dying), the use of palliative care and the Catholic perspective on end-of-life care? Is it ever acceptable to choose MAiD? Are there other options?* Holy Spirit Parish invites you to a presentation and group discussion on: **End of life care - A Catholic Perspective with Dr. Pascal Bastien** on April 18 at 3:30 pm. No registration needed and this event is free. For more details contact Raquel farrarraquelb@gmail.com; or for more subject info contact: Deacon Guy Dacquay, Diocesan Coordinator, Pro-life Projects guy.dacquay@ottawacornwall.ca

Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass 2026: For those celebrating 60 (or more), 50, 40, 30, 25, 20, 15, 10 & 5 years of marriage in 2026! At Notre Dame Cathedral on **Sunday, May 3, 2:30 pm**. The registration form is now available at www.forms.office.com/r/jpBDLwD0Kq. Please register before **April 16** to ensure your place! For questions, please contact Annmarie at annmarie.brown@ottawacornwall.ca.

WAY OF THE CROSS procession led by the Most Rev. Marcel Dampousse, Archbishop of Ottawa-Cornwall. **Good Friday, April 3, 2026** 9:30 am – 12:30 pm. With prayers, songs, and reflections starting from St. Patrick’s Basilica (220 Kent St.) through the streets of downtown Ottawa, ending at Notre Dame Cathedral Basilica (385 Sussex Dr). All are welcome.

Pilgrimage to Franciscan Shrines and Churches near Montreal – May 26 & 27 Join the Divine Infant Knights of Columbus on a pilgrimage to various parishes and shrines in Montreal in honour of the jubilee year of St. Francis of Assisi! Dates May 26 & 27. Cost is \$240 pp double occupancy or \$345 single occupancy. Cost includes transportation, hotel & breakfast. Daily Mass celebrated by Fr. Waldemar Podlasz SDS. Space is limited; **registration closes March 31** please contact Paul Bourke 343-550-1740 to register.

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

Online Retreat for Single Mothers (Apr 10-11)

Momentum: Catholic Single Mothers invites single mothers to join us for an Online Retreat on April 10 - 11, 2026. **Register here:** www.forms.gle/57ZUMrZztb5H6HaC7 This retreat offers a space to reflect, pray, and be renewed within a supportive community of women walking a similar journey. The retreat will include a witness talk from a single mother, a reflection by Fr. Kevin Darwent of the Companions of the Cross titled “Poverty, Authenticity and Mercy,” opportunities for spiritual conversation with certified spiritual directors, and online Eucharistic Adoration, with prayer teams available for those who wish to meet with them. All single mothers are welcome.

Thank you for giving from the heart to Share Lent 2026!

Development and Peace — Caritas Canada thanks you for supporting the **On Track for Justice** campaign with your Share Lent donation. Thanks to your generosity, our parish collected \$1970. This sum will help support our sisters and brothers in Africa, Asia, Eastern Europe, Latin America and the Middle East. If you have not yet had a chance to give, you can still place your Share Lent envelope in the offertory or donate online at devp.org/give. Thank you for continuing to pray for all those who are working to build a world of peace and justice.



EASTER ALTAR DÉCOR & RESOURCES

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 Décor & Resources* 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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