

# 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 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

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



<b>PARISH REGISTRATION:</b> If you are new to our Paris the collection basket.	ch Community, please fill out this form and put it in
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#### THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER



#### May 4 – Third Sunday of Easter

Acts 5.28-32,40b-41 Revelation 5.11-14 John 21.1-19

Cenacle of Marian Movement of Priests

#### May 11 – Fourth Sunday of Easter

Acts 13.14,43-52 Revelation 7.9.14b-17 John 10.27-30

#### Parish Calendar

Mon, May 5	
6:30 pm	RCIA
Tue, May 6	St. François de Laval
9:00 am	Mass
9:30 am	Lay Apostolate of Jesus Christ the
	Returning King
7:00 pm	Confirmation preparation
Wed, May 7	
9:00 am	Mass
7:00 pm	Choir Practice
Thu, May 8	
9:00 am	Mass
9:00 am	Children's Faith Formation

9:30 am 6:30 pm Youth Night Grades 3-5

Fri, May 9 9:00 am Mass

> 9:30 am Flame of Love Prayer Group

Sat, May 10

5:00 pm Mass

Sun, May 11 **Fourth Sunday of Easter** 

9:00 am Mass 11:00 am Mass

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

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. CWL members please reserve by May 15; Parishioners are invited to reserve any remaining seats. For information or to reserve a seat, contact Louise 613-852-4469 or Paula 613-836-5140. or email: cwlholyspiritparish@gmail.com

Mother's Day Basket: The Catholic Women's League will be selling tickets after Masses on the weekend of May 3 & 4. Tickets are \$5 each, or 3 for \$10. Thank you for helping us support the many needs of our Parish and community. God Bless you.

You are invited to a **Spring Social** sponsored by the Holy Spirit Parish Catholic Women's League on May 24, from 12:30-3:00 in the Church Hall. Join us for an afternoon of good food, delicious treats, and good conversation. Tickets are \$20 per person and will be available for purchase on the weekends of May 10-11 and May 17-18. For more info and tickets please contact Claire at 613-612-1659 or email cwlholyspiritparish@gmail.com. We look forwarding to seeing you there.

#### **Mass Intentions**

Tue, May 6 - 9:00 am **Intentions of Praying Mothers** Wed, May 7 - 9:00 am

Intentions of Eamon O'Hara by Suzanne

O'Hara

Thu, May 8 - 9:00 am

†Sister Anna Chan by Sandra Cybulski

Fri, May 9 - 9:00 am

Parents & Relatives of Rachel & Fred Palubeskie

Sat, May  $10 - 5:00 \, pm$ 

In honour of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

†Hugh Carroll by Carol & Family †Patricia Jardine by Patricia Wood †Patrick McAlpine by Phil Rocco

Sun, May 11 - 9:00 am

In honour of the Immaculate Heart of Mary †Maria Girardi by Donella & Joseph Gabriele

†Walter Moroz by Joan Moroz Intentions of Alice Theriault Sun, May 11 – 11:00 am

For the intentions of all parishioners

Please pray for those who are sick:

Please pray for those who have died: †Pope Francis; †Father Rolland Lafleur

†Indicates Deceased.

The **Lighthouse Youth Ministries** Youth Nights continue: this week Grades 3-5. This week's theme: Mary and the Rosary. 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

Looking for Ushers: Can you give us some time on a Saturday evening at Mass or a Sunday morning Mass to help seat people, take up the collection and be available to direct people to the washroom? We need more volunteers so we can create a schedule. If you come to Mass regularly, please consider lending a hand. We need you! Please contact Tamara in the Office to leave your contact information. Thank you! Fr. Geoff

#### Donate to our Parish or Youth Ministry



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

#### **Scripture Reflection on the Book of Revelation:**

The Second Reading is from the Book of Revelation. This book is confusing if you don't realize it is written with a lot of symbolism. The message to St. John for seven Christian communities was so powerful, he had to use symbols, hymns and vivid imagery to capture its content. One comment about the imagery of the "Lamb": Jesus is the Lamb of God who was sacrificed on the altar of the Cross to reconcile us to God. We do not think of Lambs as especially awe-inspiring creatures, do we? But the Lamb of God, who meekly submitted himself to death on a cross, has broken the power of sin and death that kept us separated from God. The seemingly helpless Lamb has won the greatest victory in the history of the cosmos. So, every Mass, the priest shows the people the consecrated Host and proclaims: "Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb." Truly the Lamb of God is worthy of worship and adoration.

Fr. Geoff

Mary & the Month of May: There is a longstanding tradition in the Church to honour the Blessed Virgin Mary in the month of May. There are many devotional practices, such as special prayers, crowing a statue of the Blessed Mother with flowers and an intentional commitment to pray the rosary in this month. Mary was Jesus's first and best disciple. We honour her for her unique role in salvation history and we count on her prayers on our behalf and her intercession with Jesus her Son. Do you remember the wedding at Cana in Galilee? Mary interceded for the couple who had run out of wine at their reception. She instructed the servants to approach Jesus and to "do whatever he tells you." The result was Jesus turning water into delicious wine. This May, let us go to our Blessed Mother Mary and ask for her prayers so that we might hear more clearly what Jesus is telling us to do to grown in discipleship.

Coffee Sunday Volunteers Needed: every 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of the 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. We will have a signup sheet in the atrium for volunteers. Please help us to continue the chance to gather together, get to know each other better and support one another in our parish family! We need help to keep this tradition going! Fr. Geoff

**In Memory of Pope Francis:** Visit the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishop's (CCCB) memorial page dedicated to Pope Francis for biographical details, liturgical resources, and media information <a href="https://www.cccbpublications.ca">www.cccbpublications.ca</a>

#### **EASTER ALTAR DÉCOR & RESOURCES 2025**

Thank you to all who donated so generously to the Easter decorations of our church.

In memory of John Myslicki by Christine Myslicki In memory of Charlotte Beamish by Guy & Joan Fortier In memory of Mary Jean Cole by Michelle & Chris Cole In memory Lucien Hotte & Jeannine Lemieux-Hotte by Michel Hotte

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In memory of Richard Jeffrey & Morris Family by Mary Jeffrey

In memory of Pat Foley by Pauline Foley
In memory of Lorie Grant by Barbara Purdy
In memory of Mary & Madeleine Riordan, and Leo &
Edward Riordan by James Riordan
For deceased family members of Sandra Cybulski
In thanksgiving for many blessings received by Teresa

Rose

In memory of Mary K. Bleskie by Glenn Bleskie
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In memory of Pat Dovigi by Stephanie Dovigi
In memory of Connie & Langdons
In memory of Harold Lundy by Gail Lundy
In memory of Zora Radotic; Audrey, Ken & John Cheam by
Nancy, Glenn & Family



Our Parish Feast Day: You are invited to our first-ever Multicultural Potluck on Pentecost, June 8, after the 9:00am & 11:00am Masses. Bring your favorite dessert that shares something special about your cultural background. Please register on the SIGN UP BOARD by June 1st to let us know how many are coming with you and the nationality you would like to highlight. We will provide coffee, tea and juice. Looking forward to celebrating together while learning more about each of our rich cultural backgrounds.

**Looking to Pray a Bit More Each Day?** Check *our sacred space.com* for a daily short guided prayer session. There's also an app - sacred space.



Calling all Euchre players The March Euchre Tournament was so much fun we decided to hold another! The next tournament will be held on

Saturday, May 31st, 1-4pm. Tickets will be \$10 and can be purchased through Michelle on the weekend of May 24/25 or by email <a href="mailto:cwlholyspiritparish@gmail.com">cwlholyspiritparish@gmail.com</a>. Non-competitive tables will be made available upon request. Everyone is welcome.

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