



# 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 [holyspiritcff@gmail.com](mailto: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](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: \_\_\_\_\_

# ALL SOULS' DAY

## Nov 2 – Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed



Wisdom 3.1-9  
Revelation 21.1-5a,6b-7  
Luke 7.11-17

## Nov 9 – Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

Ezekiel 47.1-2,8-9,12  
1 Corinthians 3.9b-11,16-17  
John 2.13-22

### Parish Calendar

#### Mon, Nov 3

5:30 pm First Reconciliation Preparation Session  
6:30 pm RCIA

#### Tue, Nov 4

St. Charles Borromeo  
**9:00 am Mass**  
9:30 am Lay Apostolate of Jesus Christ the Returning King  
5:30 pm First Reconciliation Preparation Session

#### Wed, Nov 5

**9:00 am Mass**  
11:00 am Children's Faith Formation  
2:00 pm Youth Alpha  
6:00 pm Choir Practice

#### Thu, Nov 6

**9:00 am Mass**  
9:00 am Children's Faith Formation  
9:30 am Cenacle of Marian Movement of Priests  
6:30 pm Youth Night Grades 3-5

#### Fri, Nov 7

**9:00 am Mass**  
9:30-10:30 am First Friday Adoration & Benediction  
9:30 am Flame of Love Prayer Group

#### Sat, Nov 8

4:15-4:45 pm Reconciliation  
**5:00 pm Mass**

#### Sun, Nov 9 The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

**9:00 am Mass**  
**11:00 am Mass**

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

*There will be a special collection for Catholic Missions in Canada the weekend of Nov 8 & 9, 2025.*

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be held on Friday, November 7 after the 9AM Eucharist. The Monstrance with the consecrated host (the Body of Christ) will be placed on the altar for Benediction until 10:30AM.

#### **Knight of Columbus Parish Breakfast**

The Knights of Columbus will be hosting a Pancake Breakfast in the parish hall on Sunday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> after both Masses. All are invited! Please join us for pancakes, sausages and baked beans. The cost is Free-Will donation to support our programs. We look forward to seeing you there!



The **Lighthouse Youth Ministries** Youth Nights continue: this week Grades 3-5. 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)

**SAVE THE DATE – November 15, 2025, is our Catholic Women's League BAZAAR – you don't want to miss it!**

### Mass Intentions

#### Tue, Nov 4 – 9:00 am

Intentions of Whelehan Family

#### Wed, Nov 5 – 9:00 am

†Philip Fitzgerald by Barb & Family

#### Thu, Nov 6 – 9:00 am

Intentions of Shirlee

#### Fri, Nov 7 – 9:00 am

†Mary White by Prayer Shawl Ministry

#### Sat, Nov 8 – 5:00 pm

†Lucille Gauthier by Claudette & Mike Langdon

†Lucien Hotte by Michel

†Hugh Carroll by Carol & Family

†Titus John by Family

†Craig Pilley & †Patsy Nevins by Ross & Jackie Pilley

#### Sun, Nov 9 – 9:00 am

For the intentions of all parishioners

#### Sun, Nov 9 – 11:00 am

†Mary K. Bleskie by Glenn & Sarah Bleskie

†Giovanni Gabriele by Donella & Joseph Gabriele

†Lillian Hamilton by Lionel

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

**Please pray for those who have died:** Loretta Tollmann, sister of Grace Anderson

†Indicates Deceased.

#### **Beware of Suspicious Emails from the Priests!**

Fr. Geoff will **never** ask parishioners for money, gift cards or favours by email. If you receive an email supposedly from Father Geoff that looks suspicious, call the parish. Do not respond to the email. Call anytime if you have questions! It's a sad reality that scammers use priests' names to prey on the generous good will of parishioners.



A **Memorial Book** has been placed in the Atrium. In this book, all parishioners are invited to inscribe the names of their family, relatives and friends who have died and who they wish to have remembered in the prayers that will be said for them during the month of November.

**SUNDAY MISSALS** The 2025-2026 Sunday Missal, "Living with Christ" is available for purchase in the Parish Office at \$5.00 each. Please call the Parish Office for assistance. The new missal begins the First Sunday of Advent – November 30! Get yours early.

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).

**Reflection:** The first reading reflects on the blessed fate of the souls of the just who, after death, are in the hand of God. Paul rejoices in the love of God evidenced in Christ's sacrifice for us, which he undertook while we were still sinners. In the Gospel Jesus tells the crowd, *I will not reject anyone who comes to me.* He says the will of the Father is that all who see and believe in his Son have eternal life.

The loss of a loved one brings with it sorrow due to a deeply felt absence in our daily life. We mourn the separation, even when it was not unexpected. But the pain of our loss is tempered and eased by our hope and trust in the Lord, in his mercy, and in his promise to grant eternal life to those who believe in him. We cooperate with him by praying for those who have died and asking the Lord to bring them swiftly to himself.

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**Horizons of Hope: A Faith-Based Approach to Palliative Care** Join us for *Horizons of Hope*, a two-day program designed to help Catholics explore palliative care, illness, dying, and end-of-life decisions through the lens of faith. This national initiative from the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops offers guidance, prayer, and discussion to support those accompanying loved ones through serious illness. Join us Sat, Nov 22 & Sat, Nov 29 from 9am-4pm at Holy Spirit Parish Hall. **To register, email [farrarraquelb@gmail.com](mailto:farrarraquelb@gmail.com) or [admin@holyspiritparish.ca](mailto:admin@holyspiritparish.ca) or register online at [www.forms.gle/wgCJ2PpH15c3YurF7](http://www.forms.gle/wgCJ2PpH15c3YurF7)**

All are welcome. Come discover how our faith calls us to compassion, hope, and dignity in life's final stages.

Our Catholic Women's League Annual Bazaar is coming up on **November 15!** We would love your donations of some items for our Elephant Table: gently used belts, jewelry (Very Popular! Drop off is at the CWL bulletin board), purses, pottery, Christmas and Easter items, puzzles, games, kids things, frames and prints. For our Religious items table, we would love donations of Nativity cribs and rosaries. (Please no clothing, books or electrical appliances). We also need Christmas Baking. All donation drop offs are Fri, Nov 14 from 9am to 3pm. Contact Louise for more information, 613-852-4469, [louisebeggs@icloud.com](mailto:louisebeggs@icloud.com)

**Please consider baking for the CWL Bazaar on November 15!!** The Bake Table, coordinated by Teresa Cardeal, is a huge part of our Bazaar success, but we need baking! We would appreciate all types of baking, including Christmas goodies and pies. Baking can be dropped off on Fri, Nov 14 from 9am - 3pm, or Sat, Nov 15 after 8am. For further information contact Teresa (614-831-3608) or Louise (613-852-4469). Thank you!

**Faithful Stewardship: Your Life, Your Legacy, a presentation on Estate Planning** Join Archbishop Damphousse for a presentation on how to create a prayerful, high-impact Estate Plan that maximizes your spiritual and social impact. Nov 30, 2025 from 3-4:30 pm at Holy Spirit Church. To register visit [ottawacornwall.ca](http://ottawacornwall.ca)

**Dying to Meet you Event** *Does life lose its sense in the face of suffering? Or ... is life always worth living?* How do you prevent euthanasia and encourage hope? Come and join us on Sun, Nov 16 at St. Johns Elementary School in Perth for the DYING TO MEET YOU Event by world renowned speaker, Amanda Achtman. Get inspired to encounter, understand, and overcome the euthanasia temptation. Filled with humanizing storytelling and edifying examples, the afternoon will equip you to better engage in these conversations and experiences in your own life ... because this concerns all of us. Doors open at 12pm. A light lunch will be provided, followed by Amanda's presentation, Q & A and mini-Workshop. There is no charge for this event due to the generosity of our sponsors. Registration is recommended to help us prepare for the event. Sign up online at [lifemattersnetwork.ca](http://lifemattersnetwork.ca) We hope to see you all there!

You are warmly invited to Holy Redeemer parish on Tue, Nov 25 at 7pm for our monthly **Heart of Worship** adoration event. The evening will include a talk by Fr. Zachary Romanowsky entitled "Be the one to assuage the loneliness of Christ", praise and worship music, silent prayer time, confessions, and fellowship afterwards.

**Waupoos Farm** is a Christ-centered, volunteer-based charity that provides low-income Ottawa families with their only vacation of the year. We are currently looking for a part-time office administrator (apply by Nov 14) and also a family to join our Farm Management Team (and always looking for volunteers and donors). Learn more at [waupoos.com](http://waupoos.com)!

**Are we ready? Adapting to climate change and growth** Councillor Glen Gower is hosting a panel discussion on how Ottawa is preparing for changes due to climate change, population growth and other challenges. How will our infrastructure and services need to adapt in the future? And what are governments and other organizations doing to be prepared? The panel will include representatives from: Hydro Ottawa; Mississippi Valley Conservation Authority; EnviroCentre; City of Ottawa's Climate Change Unit; City of Ottawa Emergency Management. Each organization will provide a presentation about their focus area, followed by a short panel discussion. Residents will have an opportunity to ask questions as well. **Mon, Nov 10, 7-8:30pm** at Stittsville Lions Hall, 1339 Stittsville Main St. Everyone welcome!



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