



Holy Spirit Catholic Parish A Welcoming Community

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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



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: _____

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Sep 21 – 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Amos 8.4-7
1 Timothy 2.1-7
Luke 16.1-13

Sep 28 – 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Amos 6.1a,4-7
1 Timothy 6.11-16
Luke 16.19-31

Parish Calendar

Mon, Sep 22
6:30 pm RCIA

Tue, Sep 23
9:00 am **Mass**
9:00 am NET Retreat – Guardian Angels School
7:00 pm First Reconciliation & First Communion Parents Meeting

Wed, Sep 24
9:00 am **Mass**
11:00 am Children's Faith Formation
6:00 pm Choir Practice
7:00 pm Catholic Women's League General Meeting

Thu, Sep 25
9:00 am **Mass**
9:00 am Children's Faith Formation
9:00 am NET Retreat – St. Stephen School
9:30 am Cenacle of Marian Movement of Priests
6:30 pm Youth Night Grades 3-5

Fri, Sep 26
9:00 am **Mass**
9:30 am Flame of Love Prayer Group
5:00 pm NET Youth Night Grades 6-12

Sat, Sep 27
4:15-4:45 pm Reconciliation
5:00 pm **Mass**

Sun, Sep 28 **26th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
9:00 am **Mass**
11:00 am **Mass**
3:00 pm First Reconciliation & First Communion Parents Meeting

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

There will be a special collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada the weekend of Sep 27 & 28, 2025.

2025-2026 SACRAMENT PREPARATION PARENTS ONLY MEETING (no children required): FIRST RECONCILIATION and FIRST COMMUNION at Holy Spirit Parish Hall on: Tue, Sep 23, 2025 at 7:00pm; or Sun, Sep 28, 2025 at 3:00pm. If you have children in Grade 2 or older and wish the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Communion for them, please plan to attend one of these meetings. If your child was not baptized at Holy Spirit Church, we will need a copy of their baptism certificate.

Donate to our Parish
or Youth Ministry



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Mass Intentions

Tue, Sep 23 – 9:00 am
†Kevin, †Ann, †Mary & †Burt Kilfoil by Martha

Wed, Sep 24 – 9:00 am
Deceased family members of Sandra Cybulski

Thu, Sep 25 – 9:00 am
Deceased parents of Kinga Marszalek

Fri, Sep 26 – 9:00 am
Parents, grandparents, relatives & friends by Family Ho Truong

Sat, Sep 27 – 5:00 pm
Intentions of Justin Gifford by Dolores & Warren Bahen
†Lucille Gauthier by Donella Gabriele
In thanksgiving by Valencia
†Felix Shavrnach by Sliwa Family

Sun, Sep 28 – 9:00 am
For the intentions of all parishioners

Sun, Sep 28 – 11:00 am
†Giuseppe Di Iorio by Francesco Di Iorio
†Nancy Lalonde by Mary Garvey
†Josip Radotic by Mary Garvey



Please pray for those who are sick:

Please pray for those who have died: †Douglas Ashfield

†Indicates Deceased.

Wedding Anniversary Blessing: We invite all couples who celebrated a wedding anniversary in June, July, August or September to take part in a special Anniversary Blessing during Mass on the weekend of September 27 & 28. If you would like to participate, please register with the parish office by providing your names and the number of years you are celebrating. We look forward to celebrating this joyful occasion with you!



Respect Life Ministry invitation:

Join us for **40 Days for Life**, a peaceful campaign of silent prayer, fasting, and public vigil for an end to abortion running from Sep 24 to Nov 2. Our parish will cover vigil hours **Sat, Sep 27 (2-3 pm) and Sun, Oct 26 (2-3 pm) at the southwest corner of Queen Street just off Bank Street.** Former abortion industry workers say it was the prayer presence outside their facilities that turned them away from abortion, and drop-off rates at clinics can reach as high as 75% when there's a prayer vigil nearby. Come stand with us in prayer; contact the parish office or simply meet us at the vigil location.

We are looking for Host Homes for the Net Teams from September 28-30. Contact Alex if you can help youth@holyspiritparish.ca

Gospel Reflection:

Where our treasure is, there we can find our heart. Is Christ in our heart or just on our lips? Are we honest in small things and in great things, or are we only honest if we fear getting caught out for dishonest behaviour? Someone once said that reputation is what you have when people can see what you are doing but character is what you do when no-one is watching you. If we truly know who Christ is, if we treasure our relationship with him above anything else, we are already richly blessed. And if we have our priorities in order, we will be faithful stewards of the gifts God gives us which He gave us to share.

Fr. Geoff

Respect Life Ministry presents **Horizons of Hope** We are looking for parishioners to consider serving as table leaders for our 2-day workshop that empowers and educates parishioners by addressing questions surrounding palliative care, dying, death, suffering, accompaniment, and bereavement, taking place Nov 22 & 29. You will moderate the discussion in your small group, and have the ability to listen, to steer the conversation for all to participate, to recognize and intervene if inappropriate content is being shared, to seek help when needed. For more information about being a table leader, please email farrarraquelb@gmail.com

Men's Breakfast October 18th with Special Guest Bishop Yvan Mathieu: please join us for a special Men's Breakfast with our auxiliary Bishop Yvan Mathieu who will speak to us on the theme of Fatherhood in the scriptures. Doors open at 8:30 am with breakfast at 9:00 am. Cost is a free will donation to support the works of the Holy Spirit Knights of Columbus Council. Please RSVP to koec@holyspiritparish.ca by Tuesday, October 14th so we can have enough scrambled eggs, sausage, toast, etc. Men, please join us and bring a friend! Fr. Geoff



Our Catholic Women's League (CWL) is hosting our annual **Paint Night** again with the fun Paint Sisters on October 8 from 7-9pm. CWL members will be selling tickets after Masses on Sep 21. You can also reserve a ticket (still \$40) for this popular evening by contacting Louise at 613-852-4469, louisebeggs@icloud.com.

Our Catholic Women's League Annual Bazaar is coming up on **November 15!** We are getting ready and 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 love Christmas Baking. All donation drop offs are Fri, Nov 14. Contact Louise Beggs for more information, 613-852-4469, louisebeggs@icloud.com

Life Chain October 5th (2 pm to 3 pm corner of Hazeldean and Eagleson; A family friendly location is available in front of Holy Redeemer church on the sidewalk.) Life Chain is an easy way to get involved in pro-life activism. Our local Life Chain will be held Oct 5 - just show up for one hour to stand on the sidewalk with others who are not ashamed to publicly witness to their pro-life beliefs. Your local Life Chain organizer will provide you with a non-graphic Life Chain sign to hold, and you may pray silently for an end to abortion and for those affected by it. For more info visit: www.campaignlifecoalition.com/life-chain

Action Life Ottawa is hiring! We are looking for an Admin Assistant who would work at our office, in-person and part-time. If interested, please contact info@actionlife.org for job description and application details.

St. Isidore Catholic Parish (1135 March Road) is seeking to hire a permanent, part-time **Property Employee**. The Employee will be responsible for the maintenance of the Parish buildings and grounds including the Parish Cemetery. For a job description, please visit the parish web site – stisidorekanata.com.

CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION (formerly Catechesis of the Good Shepherd)

The Children's Faith Formation program (CFF) is grounded in the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd. CFF level 1 program (3-5 year olds) for the 2025-26 year will be starting up this October. The atrium, that special place where children and catechists gather, is located at St. Joseph House. Parents may choose one of two sessions: Wednesday afternoons or Thursday mornings. This year we have a need for help in the atrium. We are seeking volunteers to assist in a CFF session each week. Time allotment for each session is about 2.5 hours per week. This includes set-up and clean-up time. Please consider accompanying young children in their beautiful journey to the Lord. Training will be provided. For more information about assisting in the CFF program or to register your child, email the parish CFF Coordinator, Kim at holyspiritcfe@gmail.com.

You are warmly invited to Holy Redeemer parish on Tuesday, September 30th at 7:00pm for our monthly **Heart of Worship** adoration event. The evening will include a talk entitled "Intercession", praise and worship music, silent prayer time, confessions, and fellowship afterwards. Please note that the event will not be livestreamed this month.

LitSpark Youth is a teen-led nonprofit that aims to improve youth literacy in the local community. We believe in the power of reading to build language skills, confidence, and a lifelong love of learning. Please consider donating new or gently used books before Sep 29. All books will be distributed to children and families in need. For more information, visit litspark.ca

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