

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

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Jan Haubrich, Chair 613-850-3283

OUR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

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PARISH REGISTRATION: If you are new to our Paris the collection basket.	ch Community, please fill out this form and put it in
Names:	
Email:	
Address:	Postal Code:
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Sep 28 – 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Oct 5 – 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Habakkuk 1.2-3; 2.2-4 2 Timothy 1.6-8,13-14 Luke 17.5-10

Parish Calendar

Mon, Sep 29	St. Michael, St. Gabriel, St. Raphael
9:30 am	NET Retreat – Holy Spirit School
6:30 pm	RCIA
Tue, Sep 30	St. Jerome
9:00 am	Mass
Wed, Oct 1	St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus
9:00 am	Mass
11:00 am	Children's Faith Formation
1:00 pm	Blood Donor Clinic
Thu, Oct 2	The Holy Guardian Angels
9:00 am	Mass
9:00 am	Children's Faith Formation
9:30 am	Cenacle of Marian Movement of Priests
7:00 pm	Youth Night Grades 6-8
Fri, Oct 3	
9:00 am	Mass
9:30-10:30 am	First Friday Adoration & Benediction
9:30 am	Flame of Love Prayer Group
Sat, Oct 4	St. Francis of Assisi

9:00 am

First Saturday Mass

9:30 am

Men's Discussion Group

4:15-4:45 pm

Reconciliation

5:00 pm

Mass

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time Sun, Oct 5

9:00 am Mass 11:00 am Mass

*Coffee Sunday hosted by the Knights of Columbus after the 9 & 11 am Masses. Everyone welcome!

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

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be held on Friday, October 3 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.

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

Coffee Sunday Volunteers Needed: We are looking for volunteers who can help set up, clean up afterwards and also for contributions for the snacks. 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 will have a signup sheet in the atrium for volunteers. We need help to keep this tradition going! Fr. Geoff

All are invited to gather for a Special Mass on Tue, Sep 30th, the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation. Archbishop Marcel Damphousse will preside the bilingual Mass at 7:00 PM at Notre Dame Cathedral Basilica (385 Sussex Drive, Ottawa).

Mass Intentions

Tue, Sep 30 - 9:00 am

Intentions of Robert Bahen by Dolores & Warren Bahen

Wed, Oct 1 - 9:00 am

Holy Souls by MacDonald-Keyworth Family

Thu, Oct 2 - 9:00 am Intentions of Felix

Fri, Oct 3 – 9:00 am

Intentions of Praying Mothers

Sat, $Oct 4 - 9:00 \ am$

Intentions of Justin & Aaron Gifford by Dolores & Warren Bahen

Sat, Oct 4 – 5:00 pm

Bradley Parisien by Glenn Bleskie

For all souls in purgatory by Abraham Family

†Florence Bailey by Randy Peckham & Family

Sun, Oct 5 – 9:00 am

In thanksgiving to St. Thérèse & St. Judith by Suzanne O'Hara †Margaret, †Jack, †Rita & †Paul Droogh by McCaffrey Family

Intentions of Hogan Family by Daniel & Divina Hogan

Deceased family members of Marie Armstrong

Sun, Oct 5 – 11:00 am

For the intentions of all parishioners

Please pray for those who are sick:

Please pray for those who have died: †Mary White

†Indicates Deceased.

ATTENTION MEN OF HOLY SPIRIT PARISH

Are you looking for deeper connection, honest conversation, and spiritual growth? Join our Monthly Men's Discussion Group—a welcoming space where men come together to explore faith, share life experiences, support one another in their spiritual journeys and encourage each other to live out our beliefs with purpose and integrity. What to expect:

- Open and respectful dialogue
- Thought-provoking topics rooted in Christian faith
- Brotherhood and accountability
- Prayer, reflection, and practical takeaways

We meet on the first Saturday of each month after the 9am Mass. Meetings last about an hour. Drop in when you can. Each session is welcoming and self-contained. Come as you are. Leave encouraged.

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).

Gospel Reflection: The parable today portrays a reversal of fortune, and it challenged contemporary ideas about who receives God's favour. The point though is not that wealth or poverty determines our fate: it's about how we see and treat each other as equals and care for the most needy. The rich man chooses not to see or help the poor man living, if you can call Lazarus's pitiable life living, literally outside his door. He distances himself from the poor man, walling himself off from even seeing, much less helping, another in misery. It doesn't matter how much or how little we have to share. What is important is our effort to see and help those in need. Fr. Geoff

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 hour 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.

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who helped make our Volunteer Fair a success! We are especially grateful to those who prepared materials, set up, stayed to answer questions, and to Tamara for organizing it all. Your efforts created a welcoming atmosphere and made it easier for parishioners to discover new ways to serve. We deeply appreciate the time, energy, and care you shared with our parish community.

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 kofc@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 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

Catholic Pilgrimage: Catholic Shrines of Ireland, Northern Ireland and Scotland accompanied by Msgr. Muldoon, Holy Cross Parish, April 8-23, 2026. Limited number! Info: dennis@jbctravel.ca, 613 569-3888. A meeting is scheduled with Dennis Kam, Director, JBC Travel on Nov 16 at 2 pm in Holy Cross (685 Walkley Rd.) Parish Hall. All are welcome.

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.campaignlife coalition.com/life-chain

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 holyspiritcff@gmail.com.

Thank You from St. Vincent de Paul Society and Multifaith Housing Initiative We extend our heartfelt thanks to the parishioners of Holy Spirit Parish for your generous response to the recent appeal on behalf of the Affordable Housing Project for Indigenous and homeless families. Your donations of \$4,418.00 will make a meaningful difference in the lives of many who are in need of safe and affordable housing. We are deeply grateful for your support and generosity.

Woven is an initiative within the Archdiocese of Ottawa-Cornwall to support mothers and families grieving miscarriage and infancy loss. Our God has a great tenderness for the grieving and the broken-hearted. The shortest verse in scripture records his own moment of grief at the death of a loved one: "Jesus wept." (John 11:35). If you've lost a child, know God is with you in your heartbreak. Your child has always been known and loved by him. Masses of Remembrance will be held across our archdiocese to honour children lost through miscarriage or in infancy. These Masses are an opportunity to entrust to the Lord our children who have gone home to his arms. Names of children, submitted to us through our online form, www.ottawacornwall.ca/woven-miscarriage-and-infant-loss/, will be honoured at the beginning of each Mass: Annunciation Parish Mass on October 14, 2025, at 7pm; St. Maurice Parish Mass on October 18, 2025, at 9am.

Registering your family as parishioners of Holy Spirit Church helps us prepare properly and serve you better. Are you a registered member of our Parish? Did you complete the Parish Registration form? Contact the parish office to confirm. Moving?? Help us keep our records up to date. Notify the Office with your old and new contact information. admin@holyspiritparish.ca 613-836-8881

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