

*Jesus said, "Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe." - John 20.29*

# ST. COLUMBAN

## PARISH

**SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER – DIVINE MERCY (B)**

**APRIL 11, 2021**

### PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Fr. Ernest Emeka Emeodi, Parochial Administrator  
Rev. Mr. Guy Côté, Deacon

### MASSES & SACRAMENTS

Saturday Vigil	5:30 PM
Sunday	7:30, 9:30 & 11:00 AM
Tuesday – Friday	7:30 AM
Confession	By appointment only, Tuesday - Thursday
Baptism	Please notify one month in advance
Marriages	Please notify 6 months in advance

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## CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

### Saturday, April 10th

5:30 p.m. Tiffany Smith by St. Matthew's School

### Sunday, April 11th DIVINE MERCY – SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

7:30 a.m. Special Intention by Bernadette Blakely

9:30 a.m. Intention of Parishioners

11:00 a.m. Geraldine McCarthy by Bridget Brennan

### Monday, April 12th

7:30 a.m. **No Mass** EASTER SEASON – WEEK 2

### Tuesday, April 13th ST. MARTIN I (OM)

7:30 a.m. Marlene Lortie (2<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary of Death) by Husband Rene Lortie & Family

### Wednesday, April 14th

7:30 a.m. Harry Ainslee by Ann & Vincent Lukenda

### Thursday, April 15th

7:30 a.m. Kathleen MacDonald by Teresa MacInnis

### Friday, April 16th

7:30 p.m. Walter Lukenda by Vincent & Ann Lukenda

### Saturday, April 17th ST. KATERI TEKAKWITHA (M) Protectress of Canada

5:30 p.m. Intentions of the Family of Claude Landriault by Sean & Shirley Landriault

### Sunday, April 18th THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

7:30 a.m. Flora MacDonald by Elizabeth & Jenny

9:30 a.m. Intention of Parishioners

11:00 a.m. Rev. George Maloney by Alex & Elaine McPhail

### Monday, April 19th

7:30 a.m. **No Mass** EASTER SEASON – WEEK 2

In Rank Order: (S) Solemnity, (F) Feast, (M) Memorial, (OM) Optional Memorial.

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## STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

*"The community of believers was of one heart and mind, and no one claimed that any of his possessions was his own..."*  
- ACTS 4:32

*All that we are and all that we have is a gift from God! Think of your family, your friends, your life, your talents and all your money – these are all gifts from God! We aren't really owners of anything; we are merely "stewards" of the gifts God has blessed us with. We are called to be grateful and generous with all of our gifts for the benefits of others.*

## LIVING WITH CHRIST MONTHLY MISSALS

Missals for April are available at the Church for purchase; the cost is \$3.25 each, and you can pick one up Tuesday – Friday before or after 7:30 a.m. Mass or at the weekend Masses.

## PLEASE NOTE

Confessions will be by appointment only. Please call the office (613.932.9616), and we will schedule a time for you.

## TODAY'S READINGS – APRIL 11<sup>TH</sup>, 2021

1st Reading: Acts 4.32-35

2nd Reading: 1 John 5.1-6

Gospel: John 20.19-31

After eight days Jesus came and stood among them.

## IN OUR PARISH

### SANCTUARY LAMP INTENTION

The living flame of the Sanctuary Lamp burns this week as a special intention for the healing of friends by a parishioner.



### THANK YOU

Fr. Ernest, Deacon Guy and the Pastoral team offer sincere gratitude to all parishioners who have volunteered during our Lenten and Easter services. In times like this it is easy to believe in angels. To all those who contributed their time, treasure and talent you are truly a blessing to this parish, and we appreciate all you do to serve God and your fellow parishioners. Thank you and May God continue to bless you.

"Volunteers do not necessarily have the time; they just have the heart."  
Elizabeth Andrew

### DEACON GUY REFLECTION

Jesus begins with peace and this should be our starting place as well. We cannot be disciples of Christ unless peace reigns in our hearts. As Christians, we must regularly examine our consciences to discern if our hearts are full of Christ's peace or if they have become bogged down by anger, bitterness, or anxiety. Until we are firmly rooted in peace, we cannot go forth and share the gospel of Christ.

Deacon Guy's website is [thedeaconguy.ca](http://thedeaconguy.ca)

### ASK THE DEACON GUY

Question: What is the correct "Sign of Peace"?

Answer: In the diocese of Canada, the sign of peace is given by a handshake or bow, offer to those who are nearest, in a gentle & calm manner. One practice that has made its way into the Rite of Peace is the victory sign 'V', done with the raising of two fingers, this sign does not convey the proper disposition of the 'Peace of Christ'.

### POPE FRANCIS APRIL INTENTIONS

#### Universal intention - Fundamental rights

We pray for those who risk their lives while fighting for fundamental rights under dictatorships, authoritarian regimes and even in democracies in crisis.

### CONTACT TRACING FORM

When arriving at church, **everyone** needs to sign the Contact Tracing Form and include their phone number. The Contact Tracing form is strictly used **only** if the EOHU contacts us. This form will be shredded after two months as per the directive from the Diocese.

### ATTENDANCE RESTRICTIONS ELEVATED

Restrictions have been lifted enough that we are back to having thirty percent (30%) capacity in the church for masses. This change came into effect starting on Tuesday, February 16, 2021 and remains in effect even when we enter the RED restrictions.

### KNEELERS

When leaving the church, you must leave the kneeler in the **down position** for the volunteers who are sanitizing the pews.

### VOLUNTEERS

In order for St. Columban's to remain open during this Pandemic we need volunteers to sanitize pews after every mass or service held in the church. This does not take long and gloves are provided. Will you be the hands of Christ?

## IN OUR PARISH AND DIOCESE

### PATRONS OF ST. COLUMBAN FOUNDATION FUNDRAISER

The top priority for the Patrons of Columban Foundation and the Parish Finance Council at this time is to raise the funds necessary to restore the church steeple and put a new cross back up on the church in the **LIFT UP THE CROSS** project. The latest cost estimate for this project is \$130,000. All funds raised by the Foundation this year will be allocated to **LIFT UP THE CROSS** project.

The Foundation is also contacting potential major donors, individuals, businesses, organizations and those who wish to donate in memory of a family member to donate at the following levels-\$1,000, \$2,500, \$5,000, 10,000, \$25,000. Major donors will be recognized in the parish bulletin and on a donor wall plaque in the church. Donors can also donate on a weekly or monthly basis to reach their total donation.

At all the masses on the May 8-9 weekend, a special collection will be taken for the Patrons of St. Columban Foundation. Parishioners with church envelopes can use the special May 9 envelope in their box of envelopes. If you do not have a box of envelopes, you may use the blue envelope found at the church entrances. Cheques should be made payable to the Patrons of St. Columban Foundation. Income tax receipts will be issued by the Foundation.

With the new lockdown if you are not able to attend mass, you can still donate to the Foundation by mailing your May 9 Foundation envelope and donation to Patrons of St. Columban Foundation at 36 4th St., West, Cornwall, ON. K6J 2R6 or by dropping off your Foundation envelope in the parish office mailbox at 36 4<sup>th</sup> St. West. If you do not have a Foundation envelope, indicate on your own envelope Foundation Donation and mail or drop off your donation at the parish office.

Please help us preserve our historic St. Columban Church and **LIFT UP THE CROSS**. Thank you for your continued support.

### EASTER IS A SEASON!

Many people mistakenly believe that Easter is one day only. In fact, the Easter season goes on for 50 days, ending on Pentecost! The Church spends 50 days celebrating the great news of Christ's resurrection. During this time, we read stories of Jesus visiting with the apostles, the same apostles who thought that His death on the Cross had been the end. Both the Ascension, when Jesus is taken up into Heaven, and Pentecost, when the Holy Spirit comes down upon to the apostles, are important parts of this Easter season.

### MASS INTENTIONS

The Church offers us an excellent way of bringing our intentions before the community so that we are not alone in our prayer. We can entrust a Mass intention for an individual, a group of individuals (for example, deceased family members) or a particular prayer intention (for example, peace in the world). We welcome all those who would like to have a Mass, or several Masses said for their intentions. Call the office at 613-932-9616.

### ST. COLUMBAN COLLECTION REPORT FOR MARCH 28, 2021

Sunday Envelopes	2,785.00
Loose Collection	294.60
Total	\$ 3,179.60

### THE DIVINE MERCY MESSAGE AND DEVOTION

The message of The Divine Mercy is simple. It is that God loves us – all of us. And He wants us to recognize that His mercy is greater than our sins, so that we will call upon Him with trust, receive His mercy, and let it flow through us to others. Thus, all will come to share His joy.

The Divine Mercy message is one we can call to mind simply by remembering ABC:

A - Ask for His Mercy. God wants us to approach Him in prayer constantly, repenting of our sins and asking Him to pour His mercy out upon us and upon the whole world.

B - Be merciful. God wants us to receive His mercy and let it flow through us to others. He wants us to extend love and forgiveness to others just as He does to us.

C - Completely trust in Jesus. God wants us to know that all the graces of His mercy can only be received by our trust. The more we open the door of our hearts and lives to Him with trust, the more we can receive.

This message and devotion to Jesus as The Divine Mercy is based on the writings of Saint Faustina Kowalska, an uneducated Polish nun who, in obedience to her spiritual director, wrote a diary of about 600 pages recording the revelations she received about God's mercy. Even before her death in 1938, the devotion to The Divine Mercy had begun to spread.

The message and devotional practices proposed in the Diary of Saint Faustina and set forth in this web site and other publications of the Marians of the Immaculate Conception are completely in accordance with the teachings of Church and are firmly rooted in the Gospel message of our Merciful Savior. Properly understood and implemented, they will help us grow as genuine followers of Christ. Spend time to learn more about the mercy of God, learn to trust in Jesus, and live your life as merciful to others, as Christ is merciful to you. [www.thedivinemercy.org](http://www.thedivinemercy.org)

### ST. JULIEN'S CHAPEL UPDATE

**We need to limit the Chapel visits to one person only (or two living in the same house: spouse, family member).**

**All fobs have been de-activated.** They will not open the St. Julien's Chapel door. We cannot allow random drop-in visits. Please abide by this. The only way for us to stay open is for people to commit to a particular hour and to come only for that hour. We will re-activate fobs one by one for anyone committed to a particular hour or hours ...

**WHEN we hear from you that you want to come and there is an hour available for you. There are many hours open . We need flexibility :)**

**ONE person per hour so some teams will have to split, share weeks or choose a 2nd hour.**

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**If you have responded to our first email sent this past weekend** about active committed hours, thank you very much. You will receive a message soon letting you know when your fob is re-activated. You are then free to come for that specific hour. Please try to arrive close to your hour time. If someone is in the Chapel and doesn't leave on the hour, please knock on the door to let them know you have arrived. Wait until they leave to enter. **If you have been coming and haven't responded, we have a new request.** Please let us know as quickly as possible **if you want to continue alone in the same hour** you have been coming **or if you are staying home for now.** We have many adorers without e-mails and a lot of phone calls to make. **There is a Covid sign-in sheet** inside the entrance which we ask you to read, answer and sign. **Please bring your own pen.**



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