

DIVINE MERCY

SUNDAY

12 APRIL, 2015

Like newborn infants, you must long for the pure, spiritual milk, that in Him you may grow to salvation.

St. Columban Parish

36 Fourth St. West, Cornwall, ON K6J 2R6

Masses: Sat Vigil: 7 p.m., Sun: 7:30, 9:30, 11:00 a.m.
Weekdays except Tuesdays: 7:30 a.m.

Today's Readings:

Acts 4:32-35

Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24

1 John 5:1-6

John 20:19-31

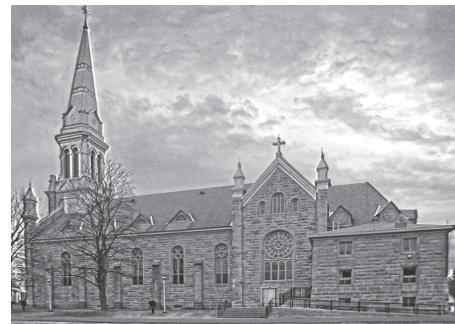
Blessed are those
who have not seen
and yet have
come to believe.

Further Reflection from the Catechism:

CCC: 1424, 1941/90, 2302, 2442

CCCC: 480 - 482

YOUCAT: 225, 332, 337



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Mon. to Thurs. 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Evenings by appointment

BAPTISMS

By appointment
1 month in advance

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Please give 6 months notice

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Saturday 3:00 to 4:00 p.m.
Saturday 6:15 to 6:45 p.m.
Also by appointment

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THERE HAS TO BE A RESPONSE TO MERCY

What is evangelization? What's all this talk of a New Evangelization? And, why bother! Does it really make a difference if people are Christians or not? These were some of the questions that we pondered two weeks ago at the diocesan Mission with Ralph Martin. Martin cautioned that if we keep doing business as usual, we're going to be out of business.

He shared that there is a core definition of evangelization that helps us decide what to do and how to assess its effectiveness. In Mission of the Redeemer we read: "The proclamation of the Word of God has Christian conversion as its aim – a complete and sincere adherence to Christ and His Gospel through faith. Conversion means accepting by a personal decision the saving sovereignty of Christ and becoming His disciple." This is a very challenging definition. Rather than holding on to our fixation with finding a way to get people to come back to Church or to become more active in the parish, we must recognize that it's possible for people to be coming to Mass and active in the parish and not be converted. People may be active in the parish but never have turned their lives over to Jesus as their Lord, have never decided to turn everything in their lives to His priorities, His teaching, His love, His Spirit.

Some say they're for Jesus, but are not interested in what His Church teaches. In matters that pertain to our salvation what the Church teaches is what Jesus teaches. The Church gets its teaching from the Word of God, from the Apostles, and from Sacred Tradition. Jesus explained the Scriptures to people and the Apostles were eye witnesses to this; they convey that teaching to us.

The Catechism reminds us that: "There are no limits to the Mercy of God, but anyone who deliberately refuses to accept His Mercy by repenting, rejects the forgiveness of his sins and the salvation offered by the Holy Spirit." There has to be a response to Mercy. We have to humble ourselves in saying yes to Jesus.

We don't do it purely in our own strength. We need to have a new Pentecost to empower a new evangelization. We need power from on high, just like the first disciples and apostles needed power from on high. Recent popes have called for both a new evangelization and a new Pentecost.

When Saint John XXIII called the Second Vatican Council, he asked Catholics all over the world to pray that the Lord would renew in our time His signs and wonders as by a new Pentecost. We have enough documents; we need to focus on implementation.

Blessed Paul VI said that the world is calling for evangelizers to speak to it of a God Whom the evangelizers themselves should know and be familiar with as if they could see the invisible, having experiential knowledge of God.

Christians should be able to articulate their personal experience of God. If we don't feel that we can do that yet, we can start by talking with others about their experience of God and relate any parallels in our own lives.

Ralph's three presentations were video recorded and available on All Things Catholic.

CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

Saturday, April 11th

11:00 a.m. Memorial Mass for
Harold & Jennie Belmore
3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Confessions
6:15 – 6:45 p.m. Confessions
7:00 p.m. Mavis Menard by John Martel

Sunday, April 12th

7:30 a.m. LouAnna MacDougall by Alex MacDougall
9:30 a.m. Intentions of parishioners
11:00 a.m. Antonio Spagnolo by CDSBEO
3:00 P.M. DIVINE MERCY HOUR

Monday, April 13th

7:30 a.m. Patrick Finnerty by Shannon Bellefeuille

Tuesday, April 14th – No Mass

Wednesday, April 15th

7:30 a.m. Mae Lapierre & deceased family members
by the estate

Thursday, April 16th

7:30 a.m. Mavis Menard by Rolland Menard

Friday, April 17th

7:30 a.m. Souls in Purgatory by Jackie

Saturday, April 18th

3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Confessions
6:15 – 6:45 p.m. Confessions
7:00 p.m. Roy Champagne by Isobella MacMillan

Sunday, April 19th

7:30 a.m. Intentions of parishioners
9:30 a.m. Jean Lalonde by Keith & Mary Grant
11:00 a.m. Dwaine Lauzon by Lionel & Sylvia Leblanc

Monday, April 20th

7:30 a.m. Archie MacMillan by daughter
Isobella MacMillan

STOP AND CHAT – NEXT WEEKEND

All are invited to stop after Mass, at the 4th Street entrance of the Church. Enjoy a coffee and share a little time with other parishioners.

BURSARIES FOR GRADE 12 GRADS

St. Columban's CWL invites young people graduating from Grade 12 to apply for a bursary. Parents and grandparents may also submit names. *Students should be active in their faith and be continuing their education at a post-secondary institution.* Please contact CWL Education chair Jane Anderson at 613-933-1062 to apply.

IN OUR PARISH

COLLECTION 29 MARCH, 2015 – THANK YOU

Sunday	\$4,996.35	Book Table	\$ 121.70
Loose	524.95	Initial Offering	10.00
Total	\$5,521.30	Dev. & Peace	278.00
Candles	\$ 148.50	Good Friday/Holy Land	20.00
Flowers	5.00	Palms	298.45
		New Year's	15.00

PATRONS OF ST COLUMBAN FOUNDATION FUNDRAISER

to support restoration of our historic Church. Dinner hosted by *Royal Canadian Legion Branch 297*, 415 2nd. St. W.



SUNDAY APRIL 19 – 4:30 P.M. TO 6:30 P.M.

TICKETS \$12. AVAILABLE AFTER MASSES THIS WEEKEND, at our parish office during office hours; at the Legion; or call Brian at 613-933-8353

Don't Be Disappointed – Get Your Tickets Now

GODPARENTS FOR BAPTISM

Choosing the godfather and the godmother of a child is an important decision. Their role is, with the parents, to present the child for baptism and to help the baptized to lead the Christian life in harmony with baptism and to fulfill faithfully the obligations inherent to it.

We would like to remind people of the following:

- according to the Code of Canon Law (the book containing the official laws of the Church)

- a child can have: - a godfather and a godmother
- or only one godfather
- or only one godmother

the child cannot have two godfathers or two godmothers - also, the godfather or the godmother of a child cannot be changed later on

Conditions to be godfather or godmother:

1. be chosen by the parents (or person who takes their place)
2. be suitable for this role and have the intention of fulfilling it
3. be at least sixteen years of age
4. be a Roman Catholic who has already been confirmed and has received the Holy Eucharist
5. be leading a life of faith in harmony with the role to be undertaken
6. not be under a canonical penalty, whether lawfully imposed or declared (for example, being "excommunicated", having officially renounced one's baptism)
7. not be either the father or the mother of the person to be baptized

N.B.: For a just reason, one may admit:

- as *godfather* or *godmother*, an Eastern non-Catholic
- as *witness to the baptism*, a person belonging to a non-Catholic ecclesial community (i.e.: a Protestant, an Anglican) but only along with a Catholic godparent

A *non-baptized person* cannot be either a *godparent* or a *witness* for a baptism.



**All are welcome to come and celebrate the
HOUR OF DIVINE MERCY , SUNDAY , APRIL 12TH FROM 3 TO 4 P.M.**

**PLEASE RECEIVE THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)
PRIOR TO DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY, or you may do so within 20 days after.**

PLENARY INDULGENCE FOR DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

To ensure that the faithful observe this day with intense devotion, St. Pope John Paul, established a **PLENARY INDULGENCE** *to receive complete forgiveness and punishment, (as Jesus said), so that they might, in turn, show pardon to their brothers and sisters.*

CONDITIONS TO OBTAIN THE PLENARY INDULGENCE are:

Confession, Communion and Prayer for the Intentions of the Holy Father, and take part in prayers and devotions in honor of Divine Mercy in any Church or Chapel.

IN THE DIOCESE

IN THE SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

*"JESUS RECEIVES US WITH ALL OF OUR LIMITATIONS,
HE BRINGS US THE MERCY OF THE FATHER, WHO
FORGIVES US AND TRANSFORMS OUR HEART"
Pope Francis*

Knights of Columbus - St. Francis de Sales Parish

ROAST BEEF DINNER

4:30 & 5:30 P.M., THURSDAY, 16 APRIL

in the parish hall – Adults \$10, Children \$5.

THEOLOGY ON TAP

8 P.M., FRIDAY, 17 APRIL AT THE BEST WESTERN

Guest speaker Michelle Boulva of Catholic Organization for Life & Family, will speak on *Euthanasia and Assisted Suicide*.

Contact fguilmette@alexandria-cornwall.ca

ST. MARTIN OF TOURS PARISH, GLEN ROBERTSON

EXPO SALE; 9 A.M. TO 4 P.M., SAT. 18 APRIL

Father Alphonse Yema invites you to a Bake Sale.

To rent a table, please call Gisèle at 613-525-1223.

For more information call Father Yema at 613-874-2930.

BISHOP'S MOVIE PIX – "OCTOBER BABY"

Showing at the Port Theatre

7:15 P.M., 26 TO 30 APRIL

Monday & Wednesday Matinees at 2 p.m.

MARCH FOR LIFE – 14 MAY

Again this year Pro-Life Cornwall will sponsor a free bus to the March in Ottawa. To reserve your spot, please contact Joan at 613-937-0536.

**ST. ANDREWS KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 10416
25TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION – SATURDAY, 20 JUNE**

Township of South Stormont Community Hall,
Long Sault. Cocktails at 5 p.m., Dinner at 6 p.m.

Food, music, dancing and entertainment.

Tickets \$40/person or \$75/couple.

Call Earle DePass at 613-930-2145

NEW EVANGELIZATION SUMMIT 2015

at the Agora Catholic Centre, 301 McConnell Ave.

FRIDAY, 24 APRIL 6:30 TO 9:15 PM. &

SATURDAY, 25 APRIL 9 AM. TO 4:45 PM.

Cost: \$65. includes lunch on Saturday

Speakers: Scott Hahn, Ralph Martin, Patrick Coffin, Jo-Ellen Gregus, Fr. Michel Gaitley, Fr. James Mallon, Ken Yasinski and Michael Dopp. They will tackle topics such as *The Eucharist and the New Evangelization, Why Bother? The Medium and the Message, and Now is the Time for Mercy*. To Register: www.newevangelization.ca

TREASURES OF THE DIOCESE

**AN EXHIBITION OF THE DIOCESAN ARCHIVES
18 TO 30 APRIL**

in the Chapel of Nativity Cocathedral.

The Diocese will showcase some of its many treasures. These artifacts include the original crozier used by Bishop Alexander Macdonell, the first Bishop of the Diocese, the episcopal ring given to Bishop Macdonell, the first Bishop of Upper Canada by King George IV and the extensive Post Card collection of Bishop Brodeur's trip to the Holy Land.

**STEUBENVILLE TORONTO YOUTH CONFERENCE
7-9 AUGUST**

Mega and inspiring Catholic Youth Conference (for youth in grades 8 to 12). Registration \$325. (2 nights in hotel, 6 meals & access to events). For info. go to the Steubenville Toronto 2015 page under Youth Ministry on the Diocese's website:

www.alexandria-cornwall.ca or contact Sr. Francine at fguilmette@alexandria-cornwall.ca

PLEASE ENCOURAGE ALL OF THE YOUTH IN YOUR FAMILIES TO ATTEND

WORLD YOUTH DAY 2016 – IN POLAND

Young adults (age 18 by 20 June 2016 to age 35) interested in knowing more about what is being planned for the next International World Youth Day should indicate your interest asap to Sr. Francine at fguilmette@alexandria-cornwall.ca - even if you are unsure about finances, work or other concerns.

Official WYD website <http://www.krakow2016.com/en/>

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