

**5TH SUNDAY  
OF EASTER (C)  
24 APRIL, 2016**

They strengthened the souls of the disciples and encouraged them to continue in the faith.

# St. Columban Parish

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

**Masses: Sat Vigil:** 5:30 p.m., **Sun:** 7:30, 9:30, 11:00 a.m.  
**Weekdays except Mondays:** 7:30 a.m.

## THE DIOCESE OF BEAUMONT ADDED 400 PARISHIONERS

in large part because of the pastoral approach of Pope Francis but also because of a desire among people to connect spiritually with something greater, said Bishop Curtis Guillory.

"Pope Francis has a lot to do with it. Many non-Catholics have great admiration for his pastoral approach. He has a feel for what people go through. Pastors have to be compassionate and understanding," Guillory said. "He has helped to make the church warmer and more receptive."

Guillory also said he perceives that young people are asking themselves whether there is more than just the life of the senses. "They're looking for something more solid," said Guillory, the spiritual leader of 80,000 Catholics across 51 parishes in Southeast Texas.

"You can fill the heart with materialism, but never satisfactorily," Guillory said. "There has to be something more. "While Francis is a warm and welcoming presence in the worldwide church with a billion adherents, Catholics are now practicing evangelization, Guillory said. "Protestants have been much better at this". He said each parish has an evangelization commission and is undergoing training on how to share and witness for their faith to attract people.

Guillory said he is also reaching out to new converts to ask them why they were interested in the church. For new converts, the church assigns a sponsor to help provide guidance through the journey of becoming a Catholic.

The church is also enjoying a resurgence because of Pope Francis and his attention to the plight of the poor, Guillory said. He explains the attractiveness of Francis with comparisons of how people view the previous two pontiffs. "People came to see John Paul II. (He was the most travelled of all the popes.) They came to hear Benedict because of his intellect. They come to hug Francis," Guillory said. "Each has his own contribution."  
*Excerpted from an article by Dan Wallach*

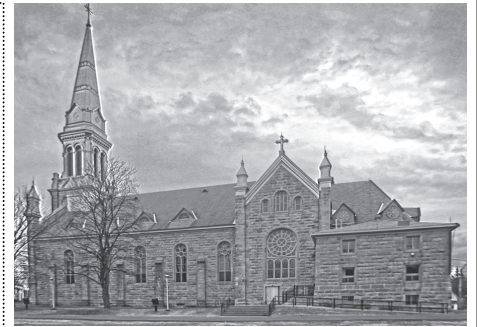
## SO, IF CHURCH GROWTH CAN HAPPEN THERE, WHY NOT HERE AT ST. COLUMBAN'S PARISH AND IN OUR DIOCESE

We have the same example of 3 godly popes. And, we've begun taking steps to grow more in love with the Lord and are encouraged to have a little "holy boldness" to use the opportunities that the Lord gives us to share our faith with those on our individual paths.

Some of our parishioners participated in the **NEW EVANGELIZATION SUMMIT** last weekend (and also last year) and some have been participating in faith sharing groups such as **DISCOVERY** and now **SYMBOLON**. And, from those efforts, a core team has evolved to pray, plan and prepare for a new parish ministry of **NEIGHBOURHOOD OUTREACH**. It will involve going door to door during this Year of Mercy, to invite people to experience a deeper measure of God's mercy and to take small steps to connect or to re-connect with the church.

Why do this? Primarily because, above all else, the Church exists to evangelize and because we care about the salvation of souls. Additionally, the church is poorer for not having all of its members active in the life of the Church. Also, the gifts that God has bestowed upon each person for the building up of the church are not all being used for their intended purpose.

**YOU CAN HELP. FOR STARTERS, PLEASE, PLEASE KEEP THIS MINISTRY IN YOUR PRAYERS** as we continue to discern God's will and timing. And please **"GIVE GOD PERMISSION"** to act in our midst.



### PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Fr. Ernest Emeka Emeodi  
Parochial Administrator  
Rev. Fr. Claude Halle, Guest Priest  
Rev. Mr. Chris Chisholm, Deacon

### OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR

Mrs. Kelly Poitras

### OFFICE HOURS

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

### BAPTISMS

By appointment 1 month in advance

### MARRIAGES

Please give 6 months notice

### CONFESSIONS

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

### OFFICE PHONE

613-932-9616

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## CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

### Saturday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>

3 – 4 p.m. Confessions

5:30 p.m. In Thanksgiving for favours received by a parishioner

### Sunday, April 24<sup>th</sup>

7:30 a.m. Intentions of parishioners

9:30 a.m. Iola Parisien by Joe Parisien & family

11:00 a.m. Albert & Lillian Burnie by their children

### Tuesday, April 26<sup>th</sup>

7:30 a.m. Bernadette St. Louis by Carolyn & Ernie Filion

### Wednesday, April 27<sup>th</sup>

7:30 a.m. Intentions of the parishioners

### Thursday, April 28<sup>th</sup>

7:30 a.m. Kenneth Bergeron by a former employee

### Friday, April 29<sup>th</sup>

7:30 a.m. Gerald Parisien by Joe Parisien & family

### Saturday, April 30<sup>th</sup>

3 – 4 p.m. Confessions

5:30 p.m. Florestine Lauzon by Raymond & Gisele Marion

### Sunday, May 01<sup>st</sup>

7:30 a.m. Iola Parisien by Isabel Parisien & family

9:30 a.m. Intentions of Parishioners

11:00 a.m. Jacques Lebrun (1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary of death) by Elaine & family

**COMMUNION STATIONS ARE LOCATED  
CENTRE FRONT & HALF-WAY DOWN CENTRE AISLE**  
Please exit pews from the Centre aisle and return  
by the Side aisles. Thank you.

**PLEASE NOTE**  
**CONFESSION TIME – SATURDAY, 14 MAY**  
**WILL BE FROM 1 TO 2 P.M.**  
**(NO CONFESSIONS FROM 3 TO 4 P.M. THAT DAY)**

Catholic Women's League  
**DIOCESAN SPRING RETREAT, THURSDAY APRIL 28**  
at Shalom House. Adoration 6 p.m. Retreat at 7 p.m.

### **MASS INTENTIONS**

The Church offers us a wonderful way to bring our intentions before the community so we are not alone in our prayer. We can entrust a Mass intention for an individual, a group of individuals (eg. deceased family members) or a special prayer intention.

We welcome all those who would like to have a Mass or a number of Masses said for their intentions.

For more information, see Kelly at the parish office  
9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Mondays to Thursdays.

## IN OUR PARISH

### **COLLECTION 10 APRIL, 2016 – THANK YOU**

\$3,457.00 Sunday Env.

\$ 10.00 Dev. & Peace

523.35 Loose

\$ 138.70 Candles

**\$3,980.35 Total**

\$ 10.75 Books

\$ 90.00 Good Friday/Holy Land

\$ 5.00 Flowers

\$ 87.00 Vocation Sunday

### **PATRONS OF ST. COLUMBAN FOUNDATION**

The **WEEKEND OF APRIL 30 – MAY 1,**

a member of the Foundation will speak at all masses about the work of the Patrons of St. Columban Foundation.

The Foundation, incorporated in 2005, is raising funds needed to restore and preserve our historic St. Columban's Church.

At all the masses on **THE MAY 7-8 WEEKEND,** a special collection will be taken for the Patrons of St. Columban Foundation at the same time as the regular collection.

Information about the Foundation  
can be found at the church entrances.

### **PATRONS OF ST. COLUMBAN FOUNDATION**

#### **ANNUAL CHICKEN DINNER FUNDRAISER REPORT**

Special thanks to the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 297 who hosted this event, to Foundation members & parishioners of St. Columban's who volunteered their services, & to everyone from St. Columban's & the community who attended our successful chicken dinner on April 10 at the Legion. A special thank you to Archbishop Terrence Prendergast who attended the chicken dinner in support of the work of the Patrons of St. Columban Foundation. The chicken dinner raised \$2,096.38 for the work of the Foundation to restore and preserve our historic St. Columban's Church.

### ***Adopt a Candidate (Sacramental Prep)***

*Thank you to all who have shown their love and prayers for our children who are preparing for the Sacraments of Initiation & First Reconciliation. Your note of congratulations and prayers for special grace is due on May 1st.*

### **CONFIRMATION – 7 P.M. TUESDAY, 10 MAY**

#### **FIRST COMMUNION – SUNDAY, 15 MAY**

**9:30 A.M. – BISHOP MACDONELL & PARISH PROGRAM**  
**11 A.M. – ST. COLUMBAN'S**

### **HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION BURSARIES**

St. Columban's Catholic Women's League will present a \$150. bursary at both St. Joseph's and Holy Trinity's Grade 12 graduations. Parishioners are invited to nominate eligible candidates. Call Jane Anderson 613-933-1062.

### **CWL GARAGE SALE + BAKED GOODS AND PLANTS**

**8 A.M. TO 12 NOON, SATURDAY, 7 MAY**

**ST. COLUMBAN'S SCHOOL GYMNASIUM**

Donated items may be dropped off at the school  
between 3 and 5 p.m. on Friday, May 6th

## IN OUR DIOCESE

**CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK – MAY 1<sup>ST</sup> TO 6<sup>TH</sup>**

**THEME: OPENING DOORS OF MERCY**

*“Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.”*

*Matthew 5:7*

Sub-Themes

Mon. 2 May – **MERCY THAT WELCOMES**

(Jesus and the Woman at the Well: John 4:1-42)

Tues. 3 May – **MERCY THAT LOVES**

(The Good Samaritan: Luke 10:25-37)

Wed. 4 May – **MERCY THAT FORGIVES**

(The Prodigal Son: Luke 15:11-32)

Thur. 5 May – **MERCY THAT LIVES THE GOSPEL**

(Zacchaeus: Luke 19:1-10)

Fri. 6 May – **MERCY THAT REJOICES**

(Healing of the Paralytic: Luke 5: 17-26)

### **CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK PRAYER**

God of Love and compassion, help us to open the door of mercy in our school communities, in our families and in the world.

Let mercy guide our living and bring us closer to the heart of the Gospel.

May we live as Jesus, with mercy that welcomes, loves, forgives and calls us to live the Gospel joyfully. Amen.

**During Catholic Education Week, the Catholic schools in St. Columban Parish (St. Columban and Bishop McDonell) will engage in events to celebrate the ongoing gift of publicly funded Catholic education.**

**Discover what celebrations are happening in your children’s school and if possible, attend.**

### **THEOLOGY ON TAP – 8 P.M. FRIDAY, 6 MAY**

**TALKING FAITH OUTSIDE A CHURCH ENVIRONMENT**

A monthly encounter for young adults & their friends married or single where fun, friends & faith mix in a relaxed & inspiring atmosphere. This month’s meeting is at the Best Western in Cornwall. Guest speaker Andrew Bennett, Ambassador for Religious Freedom within the federal government.

### **CELEBRATION WITH OUR LADY’S MISSIONARIES**

**2 TO 4 P.M., SUNDAY, 1 MAY**

In 1949, Fr. Dan MacDonald, at the age of 80, lived his dream and founded the first English Speaking Missionary Congregation in Canada – Our Lady’s Missionaries. He chose to found this spirit filled community in Alexandria, in the County of Glengarry.

On May 1<sup>st</sup>, the Sisters will return once again to their roots. As friends of Our Lady’s Missionaries, we invite you to join us in the launching of their book – **OUR STORY**. Come to celebrate this time of blessings with Our Lady’s Missionaries and friends at the Fraternity Hall, 49 St. Paul St., Alexandria.

*Kathryn Cameron CSC, Sisters of Holy Cross*

## IN OUR DIOCESE

*Catholic Women’s League - Diocese of Alexandria-Cornwall*

### **PALLIATIVE CARE DAY**

**12 HOURS OF PRAYER – WED., 4 MAY**

Palliative care is an important component of the continuum of health care in Canada. However, palliative care is not sufficiently defined as a medically necessary service under the existing Canada Health Act.

**THE CATHOLIC WOMEN’S LEAGUE OF CANADA INVITES ALL PARISHIONERS TO JOIN IN A PRAYER VIGIL**

Please join the C.W.L. of Canada in 12 hours of continuous prayer as the nation awaits changes to the Canada Health Act. Please pray that our national government moves to improve the accessibility, affordability, and quality of palliative care for all Canadians affected by a life-altering illness.

**PLEASE COME AND PRAY**

**10 A.M.-12 – ST. ANDREW’S**

**12-2PM ST. COLUMBAN’S**

**2-4 PM ST. FRANCIS DE SALES**

**4-6 PM ST. PETER’S**

Prayer Vigils are also being hosted by CWL Councils at St. Finnan’s, St. James, Our Lady of Grace/St.Pius X, St. Bernard’s and Our Lady of the Angels parishes.

### **CATHOLIC INFORMATION CENTRE, 146 CHEVRIER AVE.**

Are you in need of a gift for **CONFIRMATION, FIRST COMMUNION OR BAPTISM?** To better accommodate you, the Centre will be open **SATURDAYS IN APRIL & MAY - 10 A.M. TO 2 P.M.** Drop by the Store or call 613-933-5099 if you have questions.

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**SPAGHETTI LUNCH AND SUPPER – FRI, 29 APRIL**

Lunch 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. – Supper 4:30 to 6 p.m. - \$8/person  
Includes spaghetti plate, coleslaw, bun, dessert, coffee or tea.

### **STILL SPACES FOR STEUBENVILLE-TORONTO**

**CANADA’S LARGEST CATHOLIC YOUTH CONFERENCE.** Now in its third year, the conference will take place July 22-24 on campus at UOIT in Oshawa, Ont. Register online at

[www.steubenvilletoronto.com](http://www.steubenvilletoronto.com) for teens entering Gr. 9 next September. Or, contact [fguilmette@alexandria-cornwall.ca](mailto:fguilmette@alexandria-cornwall.ca).

### **SALESIAN YOUTH LEADERSHIP CAMP**

**29-30 APRIL, 1 MAY - FOR GRADES 9-12 TEENS**

Youthful, dynamic, funny, hands-on learning week-end with a Catholic perspective of leadership. Limited space. Program co-lead by ACTiv8 & Salesian Sisters of St. John Bosco. Contact [fguilmette@alexandria-cornwall.ca](mailto:fguilmette@alexandria-cornwall.ca)

### **THE DIOCESAN LENDING LIBRARY,**

2900 2<sup>nd</sup>. St. E. (St. Peter’s Church – ring bell at rear entrance)  
(Library is in the room next to the Adoration Chapel)

Books by Catholic Authors on the Faith, Spirituality, the Saints, Life Issues, etc. Also some audio/video resources.

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