

**19TH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME (B)
9 AUGUST, 2015**

No one can come to Me unless the Father Who sent Me draw them; and I will raise that person up on the last day.

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:

1 Kings 19:4-8
Psalm 34:2-3, 4-9
Ephesians 4:3-5:2
John 6:41-51

"God created us without us; but He did not will to save us without us. To receive His mercy, we must admit our faults."

Next weekend:

Proverbs 9:1-6
Psalm 34:2-3, 10-15
Ephesians 5:15-20
John 6:51-58

IS YOUR PARISH LIKE A CONVENIENCE STORE?

How much is the typical parish like a contemporary convenience store (7-11, Mac's, Becker's, etc.)? Better said: How much is the typical parishioner (Mass on Sundays, more or less; Mass on holy days, sometimes; envelope in the basket, usually; Confession—sometimes, maybe...) like the typical customer at the typical convenience store? The similarities, I believe, are many, obvious, startling and discouraging.



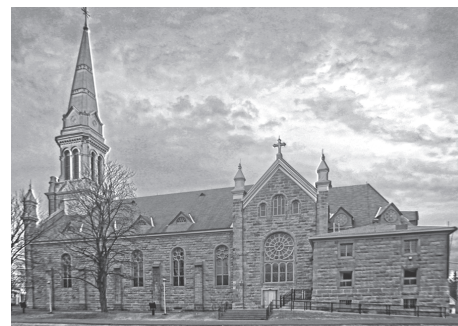
Three years ago, Sherry Weddell of the Catherine of Siena Institute published a very important book, *Forming Intentional Disciples: The Path to Knowing and Following Jesus*. She offers a clear alternative to the maintenance/managerial approach to parish life (i.e., be convenient and avoid customer complaints at all costs). Instead, she says that we are called as individual Catholics and as Catholic parishes to the mission of **becoming disciples of Jesus and making more disciples of Jesus**. That mission is time consuming, demanding, soul sifting, exhilarating, fruitful, exhausting and glorious—in other words, it is wildly inconvenient. And it is also **our only hope for parishes, especially parishes in decline**.

Intentional disciples of Jesus are much more than merely nice, generous "practicing Catholics" who help out at parish fundraisers and decorate the sanctuary at Christmas and Easter. They deliberately seek to know and love Jesus, in and out of "parish-time" (whether just-Sundays/holy days or more), with other disciples. They seek to prepare themselves and each other to go out into the world of business, education, politics, culture, etc., with a mission to seek, invite, evangelize and form others to be disciples of Jesus. They are at work as lay apostles in the world. (Read Russell Shaw's, "Ministry or Apostolate? What Should the Catholic Laity Be Doing?" The answer is, "Mostly, the apostolate—laity at work in the world, bringing people to Christ and His Church." See also his later, "Catholic Laity in the Mission of the Church," whereby he seeks to, awaken the "sleeping giant" of the Catholic laity as apostles in the world.)

Our task of moving from parish-as-customer-service to parish-as-the-place-where-disciples-and-apostles-are-made is **one of urgency, fidelity and hope**. Even as those who shrug off the decades of declining religious and priestly vocations with the assured, "Well, it's the Church of the laity now," we must respond with tough love and hard facts. The Church is not becoming the Church of the laity; it is becoming the Church of no one. The second largest religious group in North America is that of fallen-away Catholics. The year with the highest number of adult converts to the Catholic Church in America was 1964. Adult conversions have been on a 51-year decline! Clearly, the managerial/convenience model of parish life is not working, and the disciple/apostle/mission model has not yet superseded it.

The work of forming parishes of discipleship, that is, as communities of lay apostles in conjunction with clergy and religious, is, as noted above, a matter of real hope.

Excerpted from an article by Father Robert McTeigue, S.J.



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Saturday 6:15 to 6:45 p.m.
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CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

Saturday, August 08th

3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Confessions
6:15 – 6:45 p.m. Confessions
7:00 p.m. Jack MacDonell by the Family

Sunday, August 09th

7:30 a.m. Intentions of parishioners
9:30 a.m. Paul Boileau (1st Anniversary of death) by Gilles & Diane Lafrance
11:00 a.m. Pearl & Art Davis by their sons Bob & Dan
12:30 p.m. Baptisms

Monday, August 10th

7:30 a.m. June Lalonde by Joe Parisien & family

Tuesday, August 11th No Mass

Wednesday, August 12th

7:30 a.m. Lynn Tremblay by husband Ron

Thursday, August 13th

7:30 a.m. Cyril Dumond by wife Viola & family

Friday, August 14th

7:30 a.m. Daniel Brabant by Joe Parisien

Saturday, August 15th

3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Confessions
6:15 – 6:45 p.m. Confessions
7:00 p.m. Hubert Lalonde by wife Alice, daughters Charlene, Wendy, Judy, Debbie & Brenda

Sunday, August 16th

7:30 a.m. Gertrude Beaulne by Rod Coughlan
9:30 a.m. Intentions of parishioners
11:00 a.m. Leo Paul Bergeron by Theresa Bergeron

Monday, August 17th

7:30 a.m. Barbara Parisien by Isabel Parisien

IN OUR PARISH

Collection 26 July, 2015 – Thank You

\$4,152.00 - Sunday Env. \$ 49.00 – Books
463.32 - Loose \$121.70 – Votive Candles
\$4,615.32 –Total \$ 5.00 – Initial Offering

SPEAKERS FOR THE CHURCH

You may have been wondering what it is about the speakers that is taking so long.

The speakers are being custom made by a company with experience in making speakers for many venues. The contract for the speakers contains such details as the height, width and length of the church. The present speakers have a plastic cover. The new speakers will be in a wood cabinet which enhances the sound.

Please continue with your patience.

THE PATRONS OF ST. COLUMBAN FOUNDATION
presents a fundraising
CELTIC CONCERT

2 P.M., SUNDAY, 13 SEPTEMBER
in St. Columban's Church.

The musical entertainment will feature **The Brigadoons**. Tickets cost \$12. and are available at the Parish office during office hours, at all the masses on the weekends of August 29-30 and September 5-6, by calling Brian Lynch at 613-933-8353, and at the door on September 13. Funds raised at the concert will be directed to pay for major repair work on the church.

. PLEASE NOTE STARTING MONDAY, 31 AUGUST
Father Ernest
will take his day off on Mondays

CATHOLIC Q & A

Over the next few weeks, as space permits, we will include a short column to help each of us discover how well we recall the basics of our Catholic faith. Each week will feature a few short questions – the answer to which will be found in the Catechism of the Catholic Church and in the next edition of this bulletin.

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CHALLENGE (CCC)

- 1 - Name the Cardinal Virtues. (1805)
- 2 - Name the Theological Virtues. (1814-1827)
- 3 - Name the 2 types of sin according to gravity. (1854)
- 4 - What is humanity's vocation? (1877)

**AUGUST IS A VERY SPECIAL MONTH FOR
FATHER ERNEST**

*He was Born 12 August,
Baptized 21 August, and Ordained 21 August.
To God be the glory.*



HAPPY BIRTHDAY
Father Ernest

IN THE DIOCESE

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BEEF ON A BUN CELEBRATION

at the St. Andrews Rink (beside St. Andrews Catholic Church)

SUPPER SERVED 5 TO 7 P.M., SATURDAY, 15 AUGUST

For tickets contact Earle DePass at (613) 930-2145 or email earfran@cogeco.ca. Tickets are \$15/person in advance or \$20 at the door. Come and enjoy some good food and great company

MEMORIAL SERVICE – 2 P.M., SUNDAY, AUGUST 23RD,

at Our Lady of the Angels Cemetery in Moose Creek. Please, bring your lawn chairs. In case of rain, the Service will take place in the Church.

ORDINATION TO ORDER OF PERMANENT DIACONATE

The Diocese of Alexandria-Cornwall is delighted to announce the ordination of "Michael Joseph Morris" to the order of the Permanent Diaconate. The ordination will take place on

SATURDAY, 22 AUGUST AT 10 A.M.

St. Finnan's Cathedral in Alexandria. *All are welcome*

CALVARY – 10:30 a.m., Saturday, 15 August

Calvary is a unique, outdoor Way of the Cross located behind Ste-Marie-de-l'Assomption Church in Green Valley (4172 Hwy.34.)

Calvary is open daily and you are welcome to visit, to sit and to meditate on Christ's Passion.

PRAISE AND WORSHIP

Come and sing your hearts out to our Lord or listen to the worshipful music. It's a casual prayerful hour with Jesus - at St. Peter's Church.

6:30 TO 7:30 P.M., THURSDAY, 27 AUGUST

BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH HARVEST SUPPER AND CELEBRATION OF 50TH ANNIVERSARY

**SUPPER SERVED FROM 4 TO 7 P.M.,
SUNDAY, 13 SEPTEMBER**

Turkey with all the trimmings, Potatoes, Vegetables, and all kinds of pies. *Adults: \$12, children 6-12 yrs. \$6.; under 6 free. All take outs \$12.*

SUNDAY NIGHT MASS STARTING 6 SEPTEMBER

Blessed Sacrament Parish will be adding a Sunday Night Mass at 7:30 p.m., which will be the last Sunday Mass in the diocese.

We will also be having fellowship after Mass for all young adults ... a meet and greet.

The EPIC band will lead us in music ministry. If you are interested in being a part of the EPIC band, you are more than welcome to join.

St. JULIAN'S CHAPEL (24 HOUR ADORATION)

(located at St. Peter's Church - use rear entrance)

Please prayerfully consider spending an hour a week in front of the Blessed Sacrament. To volunteer or for more information, please contact Florence at 613-932-8936

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY STARTS 16 SEPTEMBER

and continues every 2nd Wednesday for 24 sessions from 7 to 9 p.m. in St. Columban Parish Activity Centre (2nd floor of the Agape building). Study the **Gospel of Matthew** with Jeff Cavins. Cost is \$50. To register contact Marilynn 613-537-2021 marilynn.light@gmail.com or Heidi 613-347-7561 michaelkrol@xplornet.com

WOMEN'S SILENT RETREAT:

4, 5, 6 SEPTEMBER

at Shalom House in Alexandria. **REGISTER BY 16 AUGUST.** There are a limited number of spaces. The cost is \$185. with a deposit of \$100. due upon registration. For more information call Heidi 613-347-7561 or Marilynn 613-537-2021.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR MISSIONARY SUPPORT

Dear Friends,

Please allow me a short word to express my gratitude for all the joy and support I received during my holiday in Cornwall. The results of the jewelry sale and the generous donations were quite a surprise. I return with a total of a little beyond \$4,000. This money will help to pay the professional studies of our Papua New Guinean Sisters, help our young woman in sscj formation. An amount will serve to help the less fortunate around us. Thank you from the bottom of my heart in the name of all the Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, Papua New-Guinea. We assure all our benefactors of our daily prayers. Goodbye and may God bless you all.

Sr. Denise Samson, s.s.c.j.

IN THE COMMUNITY AND AREA

The congregation of St. John's Anglican Church (The Church in the Wildwood) invites you to attend their

9TH ANNUAL PIG ROAST AT ST. JOHN'S

4:30 TO 6:30 P.M., SATURDAY, 22 AUGUST

Adults \$20.; children 6 to 12 \$10.; under 6: free.

Location: 20788 South Service Rd. South Lancaster.

Tickets must be pre-purchased. Contact Jean McPherson at 613-347-1829. Hope you will join us!

BREAD OF LIFE - DAY OF RENEWAL

SAT., 12 SEPTEMBER, 8:30 A.M. TO 5:45 P.M.

Mass celebrated by **FATHER PETER COUGHLIN** & Special Homily. Be inspired in Christ by Fr. Graham Keep & Deacon Carlos. St. Thomas Aquinas High School, 124 Dorval Drive, Oakville, Ont. Tickets \$25. incl. box lunch & beverage. (sorry no refunds). info@thebreadoflife.ca – 905-634-5433

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