

3RD SUNDAY
OF ADVENT
13 DEC., 2015

The Lord has
taken away
the judgements
against you

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 Mondays: 7:30 a.m.

THIS CHRISTMAS, LET'S SHARE THE GIFT OF MERCY

Give thanks to the Father,
for He is good.
He created the world
with wisdom.
He leads His people
throughout history.
He pardons and
welcomes His children.

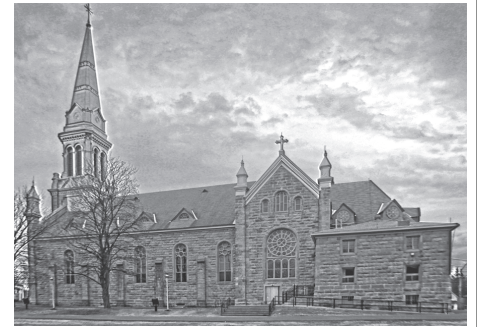
Let us ask the Spirit
for the 7 holy gifts.
Fount of all goodness
& the sweetest relief.
Comforted by Him,
let us offer comfort.
Love hopes and
bears all things.

Give thanks to the Son,
Light of the Nations
He loved us
with a heart of flesh
As we receive from Him,
let us also give to Him
Hearts open to those
who hunger and thirst

Let us ask for peace
from the God
of all peace
The earth waits
for the Good News
of the Kingdom
Joy and pardon
in the hearts
of the little ones
The heavens &
the earth
will be
renewed



Verses from the official
Hymn of the Year of mercy



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

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613-932-9616

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CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

Saturday, December 12th

3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Confessions
6:15 – 6:45 p.m. Confessions
7:00 p.m. Patricia Cameron (1st Anniversary of death) by
husband Ed Cameron & family

Sunday, December 13th

7:30 a.m. Cyril Rydal by Keith & Mary Grant
9:30 a.m. Intentions of Parishioners
11:00 a.m. John Sampson (2nd Anniversary of death)
by Josie & Kevin Donnelly

Monday, December 14th

7:00 p.m. St. Joseph Catholic Secondary School
Christmas Concert

Tuesday, December 15th

7:30 a.m. Special Intention for the Papp's family by
David & Nancy Hill
2:00 p.m. Advent Penitential Service

Wednesday, December 16th

7:30 a.m. Jacques Lebrun by Albert & Nicole Watters

Thursday, December 17th

7:30 a.m. Barbara & Joe Parisien by Christa & Andrew

Friday, December 18th

7:30 a.m. Deceased members of McConville family by
Alice Hull
5:15 p.m. Taize Prayer

Saturday, December 19th

3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Confessions
6:15 – 6:45 p.m. Confessions
7:00 p.m. Bertha Depatie, Donald, Robert & families
by Pauline & Joe Foley

Sunday, December 20th

7:30 a.m. Intentions of parishioners
9:30 a.m. Thorold & Rita Heagle by their children
11:00 a.m. Germaine Lafrance (18 Anniversary of death)
by Gilles & Diane Lafrance

COMMUNION STATIONS ARE LOCATED

CENTRE FRONT AND HALFWAY DOWN CENTRE AISLE
Please exit pews from the centre aisle and return by
the side aisles. Thank you.

**SATURDAY EVENING MASS AT ST. COLUMBAN'S
TIME CHANGE IN JANUARY**

As per the survey taken in the parish on the weekend
of 21, 22 November, the time of
Saturday evening mass will be changed to
5:30 P.M.
EFFECTIVE SATURDAY, 9 JANUARY, 2016

IN OUR PARISH

Collection 29 November., 2015 – Thank You

\$4,237.00 Sunday Env	\$ 70.00 Priests Pension Fund
339.65 Loose	\$132.25 Votive Candles
\$4,576.65 Total	\$ 5.00 Initial Offering
	\$192.30 Books

ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICES

2 p.m., Tuesday, 15 December St. Columban
7 p.m., Wednesday, 16 December St. Francis
7 p.m., Thursday, 17 December St. Andrews

CHRISTMAS – MIDNIGHT MASS – 24 DECEMBER

*will be concelebrated at St. Columban's
by Bishop Marcel Damphousse & Father Ernest*
Come early and enjoy singing Christmas Carols
along with the Choir from 11:30 p.m. to Midnight
*At Christmas we celebrate the great truth that our
God entered human history. At the heart of
Christianity is the belief that the most loving word
God spoke, became a person, Jesus*
Come let us adore Him, Christ the Lord.

**St. Joseph Secondary School Choir & Band
Christmas Concert**

here at St. Columban's Church. Donation \$10.
7 P.M., MONDAY, 14 DECEMBER

COFFEE AND CHAT

Next Sunday, 20 December after Masses
Join in celebrating the Season. You're invited to bring a
sample of your Christmas baking to share with other
parishioners. **WARM APPLE CIDER WILL BE SERVED.**

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Christmas Vigil, Thurs., 24 Dec. 5 p.m., 7 p.m., Midnight
Christmas Day, Fri., 25 Dec. – 10:30 a.m.

NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE

New Year's Eve, Thurs., 31 Dec. 5 p.m
New Year's Day, Fri., 1 January – 10:30 a.m.

TAIZE PRAYER

5:15 TO 6 P.M. FRIDAYS DURING ADVENT. COME AND PRAY

**SUNDAY NIGHT MASS AT BLESSED SACRAMENT
CANCELLED AS OF 20 DECEMBER**

Blessed Sacrament Parish has decided,
for pastoral and administrative reasons,
to discontinue the
7:30 p.m. Sunday Night Mass
as of 20 December.

IN OUR PARISH
SNOW RENOWAL CHURCH ENTRANCES AND WALKWAYS
Please check the diagram (on bulletin boards) of the Church entrances and walkways which show where snow removal will be carried out on weekends when there is a major snowfall. As we have 5 entrances to be cleared of snow and our custodian is not scheduled to work on weekends, this will help eliminate some overtime work for him if a major storm occurs. Thank you everyone for your understanding.
PARISH FINANCIALS / INCOME TAX RECEIPTS
The Parish closes its Financial Books on 29 December. For donations to be included on your 2015 Income Tax Receipt, the parish needs to receive them before 29 December. All monies received after 29 December will be credited for 2016.
OFFICE HOURS – CHRISTMAS
Closed 12 Noon Wednesday, 23 December Closed Thurs, Fri., Mon, Tues. 24, 25, 28, 29 Dec.
OFFICE HOURS – NEW YEAR'S
Closed 12 Noon, Thursday, 31 December Closed Fri., Mon, Tues. 1, 4 & 5 January
MESSAGE FROM THE ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY
Once a year during Advent we undertake a fundraising drive to help us through the upcoming year. Our client base and their need for assistance continues to increase here in our community. As an example, our food bank numbers have jumped from a total of 280 to 420 per month. They are the poor and unfortunate, whom the scriptures remind us are God's most beloved. For those of us in better circumstances we should, if we can so afford, share our abundance with the less fortunate. A SVDP donation envelope is included in this weekend's bulletin. We ask that you consider us if you are able to donate, as we are your surest means of really assisting the poor in our midst. We are an all volunteer group with little or no overhead costs and all that comes in will surely get to the less fortunate. Tax receipts will be issued. <i>We thank you for past generosity, and in advance should you participate this year.</i>
BOOK TABLE NEWS
There are still a few 2016 Catholic Calendars available. Purchase yours today.
NEW SUNDAY MISSALS
<i>If you would like your own copy, some are available on the Book Table for \$3.50 each. THE MISSALS IN THE PEWS ARE NEEDED FOR MASSES IN THE PARISH FOR THE NEXT YEAR.</i>
2016 PARISH ENVELOPES
CALL TO ARRANGE PICK UP AT THE RECTORY.

IN THE DIOCESE AND COMMUNITY
<i>DIOCESAN LENDING LIBRARY IS LOCATED AT ST. PETER'S CHURCH (ROOM NEXT DOOR TO THE ADORATION CHAPEL).</i>
BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH BREAKFAST 8 A.M. TO 12 NOON, SUNDAY, 13 DECEMBER Free will offering. – Come one – Come all.
HELP WANTED – SHALOM HOUSE, ALEXANDRIA
Put your cooking talents into a ministry of welcoming. Join the team at Shalom House in preparing nutritious meals, managing the kitchen and supervising staff and volunteers. Weekend availability is required. Salary negotiable. Please send your resume to Sister Sue at maison-shalomhouse@bellnet.ca
2ND ANNUAL COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS
YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE ALONE CHRISTMAS DAY
You're invited to a special free Christmas Day dinner. Great food, (turkey, dressing, etc.) music, crafts for children & the company of others. 12 NOON TO 2:30 P.M., CHRISTMAS DAY Agora (former Nativity) Hall, 301 McConnell Ave. Need a ride, call 1 week before 613-703-7696 or 613-935-4568.
Christmas is just around the Corner – Time to Order 6 PIECE, OUTDOOR NATIVITY SCENE (HOLY FAMILY, 2 SHEEP, STAR AND STABLE) Pieces are unfinished, but painting is easy. \$125.+ HST. Call Yolande 613-933-1138 x 24
DYNAMIC CATHOLIC – FREE DAILY ADVENT VIDEO http://dynamiccatholic.com/year-of-mercy/best-advent-ever/
SPECIAL ADVENT CALENDAR CREATED BY DIOCESE Be sure to visit the site daily. First door opens 1 December. http://adventmyfriend.com/17d22b174d20fc51/
NEW YEAR'S EVE BALL
8 P.M. TO 1 A.M., THURSDAY, 31 DECEMBER Knights of Columbus Hall, 205 Amelia St. Music by Crazy Dave – Door prizes and spot dances. Hot and cold buffet. \$25/person. Call 613-932-7600 for tickets.
CHRISTMAS CARDS – \$8/PACKAGE OF 10 Beautiful religious pictures and verses. To order call 613-937-0536, e-mail prolife@cogeco.net or call Joan at 613-931-2087.
Knights of Columbus, St. Andrews Council 10416 COMMUNITY BREAKFAST – 8 TO NOON, SUN., 20 DEC. St. Andrews Church Hall.
MEALS ON WHEELS / GLEN-STOR-DUN LODGE
Volunteers are desperately needed to deliver meals to home-bound seniors during winter months. If you can spare 2 hours a month, please call 613-933-3384 x4263. Meals are delivered between 11 a.m. & 1 p.m. Mon.to Fri. Mileage is reimbursed.

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