

2ND SUNDAY  
OF ADVENT  
06 DEC., 2015

The One Who  
began a good work  
among you will bring  
it to completion.

# 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.

## AN EXTRAORDINARY YEAR OF MERCY



The Church has declared an Extraordinary Holy Year of Mercy, commencing with the feast of the Immaculate Conception / anniversary the closing of the Second Vatican Council on December 8th and continuing until the feast of Christ the King, November 30, 2016.

*An indulgence, or remission of the punishment for sin, is offered for those that during the year are able to make a pilgrimage to the papal basilicas in Rome or to their local cathedral.*

*As is traditional, those making those pilgrimages will be asked to make Confession, celebrate Holy Mass, and to pray for the pope's intentions.*

Granting of special indulgences for the remission of sins during Catholic holy years is a traditional practice, but in the past normally required a visit to one or more of the papal basilicas in Rome. Pope Francis' letter last April greatly expands the availability of the practice.

For sick or elderly persons unable to travel, he says: *"Living with faith and joyful hope this moment of trial, receiving Communion or attending Holy Mass and community prayer, even through the various means of communication, will be for them the means of obtaining the Jubilee Indulgence."*

Holy Years usually are held every 25 years; the last was the Great Jubilee of the Year 2000. Extraordinary holy years, like the Holy Year of Mercy, are less frequent.

*"The Church must be a place of mercy freely given, where everyone can feel welcomed, loved, forgiven and encouraged to live the good life of the Gospel." [The Gospel of Joy]*

### SOLEMN OPENING MASS – JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY

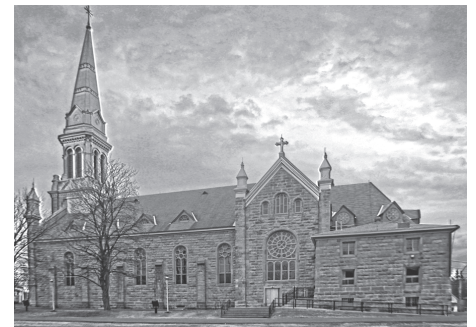
7 P.M., TUESDAY, 8 DECEMBER, NATIVITY CO-CATHEDRAL  
celebrated by Bishop Marcel Dampousse.

*This special Mass will also provide the opportunity to bid*

#### FAREWELL TO BISHOP MARCEL

*before he takes up his new assignment with the Diocese of Sault Ste. Marie. Let's show our affection for Bishop Marcel and fill the Co-Cathedral.*

RECEPTION TO FOLLOW AT THE AGORA CATHOLIC CENTRE.



#### PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Fr. Ernest Emeka Emeodi  
Parochial Administrator

Rev. Fr. Arockia Dhas Rayappan

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

#### OFFICE PHONE

613-932-9616

#### PARISH E-MAIL ADDRESS

stcolumban@cogeco.ca

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**CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES**

First Saturday, December 05<sup>th</sup>

7:00 – 7:25 a.m. Confessions  
8:00 a.m. Special Intention for the Ouimet family by  
Richard & Carole Pilon  
3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Confessions  
6:15 – 6:45 p.m. Confessions  
7:00 p.m. Gertrude Poitras (4<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of death) by  
son Raymond Poitras & family

Sunday, December 06<sup>th</sup>

7:30 a.m. Intentions of parishioners  
9:30 a.m. Sr. Mary McAlear by St. Columban Music Ministry  
11:00 a.m. Carmel Bourgon (3<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary of death) by  
husband Urbain & family  
2:00 - 4:00 p.m. Volunteer Appreciation Reception

Tuesday, December 08<sup>th</sup>

7:30 a.m. Rita Poapst by Stella McDonald

Wednesday, December 09<sup>th</sup>

7:30 a.m. Eileen Mondoux by the family

Thursday, December 10<sup>th</sup>

7:30 a.m. Jacques Lebrun by Bernadette Blakely

Friday, December 11<sup>th</sup>

7:30 a.m. Special Intention for the Pilon family  
5:15 – 6 p.m. Taize Prayer

Saturday, December 12<sup>th</sup>

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

Sunday, December 13<sup>th</sup>

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

Monday, December 14<sup>th</sup>

7 p.m. – St. Joseph Secondary School Concert

**REST IN THE PEACE AND LOVE OF THE LORD**  
Charles Seyeau and all who have died

**COMMUNION STATIONS ARE LOCATED**  
**CENTRE FRONT AND HALFWAY DOWN CENTRE AISLE**  
Please exit pews from the centre aisle and return by side aisles.

**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.

**IN OUR PARISH**

*Collection 22 November., 2015 – Thank You*

\$4,229.35 Sunday Env	\$120.00 Priests Pension Fund
486.66 Loose	\$145.40 Votive Candles
<b>\$4,716.01 Total</b>	\$ 110.00 Prop. Of the Faith
	\$118.63 Books

**NEW SUNDAY MISSALS**

As we begin the season of Advent today, we also begin a new Church year & therefore the need for a NEW Missal, as you will notice in the pews. These Missals are needed for all year.  
***If you would like your own copy, some are available on the Book Table for \$3.50 each.***

**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

**INVITATION TO ALL PARISH VOLUNTEERS**  
***VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION***  
***RECEPTION***

In the Rectory  
**2 TO 4 P.M., THIS SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6TH**

**TAIZE PRAYER**

**5:15 TO 6 P.M. FRIDAYS DURING ADVENT**

**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.

**REMEMBERING OUR LOVED ONES AT CHRISTMAS**

**THE PATRONS OF ST. COLUMBAN FOUNDATION**  
ask for your assistance again this year to keep the repairs to our historic church building on schedule.  
You can help by making a donation to the Foundation this Christmas  
***"In Memory of a Loved One"***.

Remembrances will be published in a special Parish Bulletin insert the weekend of 19-20 December. For your donation, you may use the forms & envelopes provided at the Church entrances. Make cheques payable to the Patrons of St. Columban Foundation.

Please submit in collection basket by Sunday December 6 to allow time for printing.  
Thank you for your continued support of the work of the Patrons of St. Columban Foundation.

### IN OUR PARISH

#### 2016 PARISH ENVELOPES

Envelopes are available  
for pick up at rear of the Church.

AFTER DECEMBER 7<sup>TH</sup>,

YOU CAN CALL & ARRANGE PICK UP AT THE RECTORY.  
Confirm number on label matches number in box.

#### 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

#### CHILDREN'S TREATMENT CENTRE

##### ANGELS OF HOPE

is a project to provide Christmas gifts to children who  
are receiving counselling at the Centre.

If you would like to help, kindly pick up a name tag  
(in basket on stand near baptismal font) which  
includes the age and sex of the child.

For confidentiality reasons, fictitious names are used  
for the children.

Please return the gift (in a gift bag) to the Church  
by Sunday, 6 December.

For further information call the Centre  
at 613-933-4400.

On behalf of the children served at the  
**Children's Treatment Centre**,  
thank you for your kindness & spirit of sharing.

### IN THE COMMUNITY

Religious Hospitallers of St. Joseph's Health Centre Fund of  
Cornwall has launched the

#### 2015 LIGHTS OF HOPE CAMPAIGN

The Foundation is pleased to dedicate all funds raised from this  
campaign to St. Joseph's Continuing Care Centre. Donations of  
cash or cheque (payable to Lights of Hope) can be made at  
SJCCC, 14 York St. Join us in a celebration of Christmas Music  
by the Holy Trinity Catholic Secondary School Choir at the Tree  
Lighting Ceremony at St. Joseph's Continuing Care Centre

**1:30 P.M., TUESDAY, 8 DECEMBER**

#### THE YEAR OF MERCY

##### WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

The Message & Devotion of Divine Mercy, Mary, The Church

**SATURDAY, 12 DECEMBER, 9 A.M. TO 3 P.M.**

at Annunciation of the Lord, 2414 Ogilvie Rd, Gloucester. (\$20  
person, lunch included) For more info call Peggy & Keith  
Doucette at 613-325-5447 or email [jp2centreettowa@gmail.com](mailto:jp2centreettowa@gmail.com).

(CALL 613-933-6541 FOR INFORMATION ON BUS LEAVING FROM  
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#### ST. ANTHONY'S CHRISTMAS TEA,

**1:30 – 3:30, SUNDAY, 6 DECEMBER**

in the Parish Hall, Apple Hill. Wheel game, white elephant  
table, candy booth, bake table, craft booth, bake sale

Admission \$5. adults; \$2. children 5-12

#### CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS FUND – DISTRIBUTION OF CHRISTMAS BASKETS – 9 A.M. TO 7 P.M., FRI, 18 DECEMBER

at Cornwall Armouries. This year, approx. 1300 baskets will be  
handed out. We invite you, your family & co-workers to  
volunteer for the morning, afternoon, or evening.

Call Kendra at 938-9297 x21

#### DYNAMIC CATHOLIC – FREE DAILY ADVENT VIDEO

<http://dynamiccatholic.com/year-of-mercy/best-advent-ever/>

Christmas is just around the Corner – Time to Order

#### 6 PIECE, OUTDOOR NATIVITY SCENE

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#### 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.

#### MEALS ON WHEELS / GLEN-STOR-DUN LODGE

Volunteers are desperately needed  
to deliver meals to home-bound seniors during the winter  
months. If you can spare two hours a month,  
please call 613-933-3384 x4263.

Meals are delivered between 11 a.m. & 1 p.m.

Monday to Friday. Mileage is reimbursed.

#### ARE YOU ALONE FOR CHRISTMAS?

You are invited to a special free Christmas Day  
dinner. Great food, (turkey, dressing, etc.) music,  
crafts for the children & the company of others. **12**

**NOON TO 2:30 P.M., CHRISTMAS DAY**

Agora (former Nativity) Hall, 301 McConnell Ave.

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