"Seek the LORD while he may be found, call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake their way, and the unrighteous their thoughts; let them return to the LORD, that he may have mercy on them, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon." - Isaiah 55:6-7

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FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT (B)

FEBRUARY 18, 2018

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MASSES & SACRAMENTS

Saturday Vigil 5:30 PM

Sunday 7:30, 9:30 & 11:00 AM

Tuesday – Friday 7:30 AM

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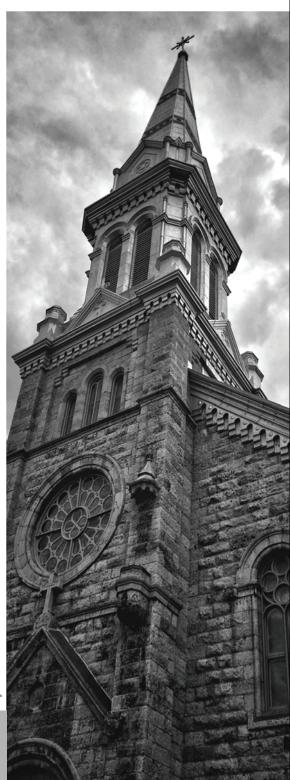
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CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

IN OUR PARISH

Saturday, February 17th The SEVEN HOLY FOUNDERS of the SERVITE ORDER (OM)

3:00 - 4:00 p.m. Confessions

5:30 p.m. James McLaverty by John & Janice Meyer &

Family

Sunday, February 18th 1st SUNDAY OF LENT

7:30 a.m. Intention of Parishioners9:30 a.m. Simone Carriere by Joan Earle

11:00 a.m. Tonie Van Riel, Maurice & Georgette Bray

by Maria & Family

Monday, February 19th

7:30 a.m. No Mass 1st WEEK OF LENT

Tuesday, February 20th

7:30 a.m. Ruth Stidwill by the Family

12:10 p.m. Harry Bingley by Wife Ethel & Family

Wednesday, February 21st ST. PETER DAMIAN (OM)

7:30 a.m. Deceased Parents & Grandparents by

Richard & Carole Pilon

12:10 p.m. Earle Blackadder by Carol Papps

Thursday, February 22nd CHAIR of ST. PETER the APOSTLE (F)

7:30 a.m. For Vocations by St. Columban's Catholic

Women's League

Friday, February 23rd ST. POLYCARP (OM)

7:30 a.m. Hilda Haldane by Mary Winters 12:10 p.m. Jacqueline Poirier by Alfie & Annie

McDonald

Saturday, February 24th

3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Confessions

5:30 p.m. Jackie Joseph by Her Sister

Sunday, February 25th 2nd SUNDAY OF LENT

7:30 a.m. Intention of Parishioners

9:30 a.m. Hector & Juliette Cadieux by Marcel &

Gisele Cadieux

11:00 a.m. Sinnasamy Sandanam by Manuel, Kezia &

Families

Monday, February 26th

7:30 a.m. No Mass 2nd WEEK OF LENT

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

"After John had been arrested, Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the gospel of God...." - Mark 1:14

Do you ever think about how difficult it must have been for Jesus to come into Galilee, knowing that John had just been arrested for teaching the same message that Jesus was proclaiming. It must have taken great love and trust for Jesus to do what the Father had sent Him here on earth to do. In the same way, following a life of stewardship takes great love and trust from us. We must be willing to surrender completely to God, trusting that God will always give us all that we need to fulfill His plan for us.

PLEASE NOTE

The Parish Office will be closed on Monday Feb 19, 2018.

ADDED LENTEN MASS

Beginning Tuesday Feb 20, 2018 there will be a 12:10 p.m. Mass Tuesday to Friday during Lent.

PLEASE JOIN US

Every Friday during Lent. We will be doing Stations of the Cross. Join Fr. Ernest at 5:30 p.m. in the Church. We will use the program from Dev. & Peace.

PARISH MISSION - SAVE THE DATE!

Everyone in the Diocese is welcome to take part in the Parish Mission hosted by St. Columban's Parish with Father Eslin Pereira - a member of the Claretian Missionaries. Join us at 7pm on Sunday March 11th, Monday March 12th and Tuesday March 13th for one, two or all three days!

PARISH PICTORIAL HAS ARRIVED!

For all those parishioners who took part in the Parish Pictorial you can now pick up your copy at the 4th Street Entrance. Pictorials are in alphabetical order in brown envelopes for ease of pick up.

PARISH & FOUNDATION 2017 TAX RECEIPTS

The parish and foundation tax receipts will be available for pick up at the 4th St. entrance this weekend of Feb 17 &18, 2018.

COMMUNION IN PEW

For those who are having mobility issues and need communion brought to the pew. Please notify Fr. Ernest or one of the Eucharistic Ministers before the start of Mass.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION - EARLY BIRD PRICING ENDS If you are getting married in the Catholic Church in 2018 or 2019 you must take a marriage preparation course. In this Diocese we offer the Engaged Encounter Weekend. The cost of the weekend is \$180. Space is limited so you must register by February 28, 2018.

NEW PARISHIONERS ARE WELCOME

We warmly welcome new parishioners and visitors. If you wish to register as a parishioner of St. Columban Parish, forms are available at the 4th Street Entrance to the Church or in person during office hours.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON SOCIAL GATHERING

Tuesday's 1:00 – 4:00 pm. Parish Activity Centre. Parishioners are invited to participate in an afternoon of games and socializing with others on Tuesday afternoons. Always open to new activities and ideas. For more info call 613.932.7091.

TODAY'S READINGS – FEBRUARY 18TH

1st Reading: Genesis 9.8-15 2nd Reading: 1 Peter 3.18-22 Gospel: Mark 1.12-15

Jesus was tempted by Satan; and the Angels waited on him.

IN OUR PARISH AND DIOCESE

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY: FAITH EVENT

A six week course on *St. Paul's letter to the Philippians* is being offered starting **Wednesday February 14th from 7 pm to 9 pm** in the St. Columban activity room. The cost is \$40.00. To register call Marilynn Light 613-537-2021, marilynn.light@gmail.com or Heidi Krol 613-347-7561 michaelkrol@xplornet.com

Towards the end of his life, under arrest and awaiting trial in Rome, Saint Paul writes a short but powerful letter to the Philippians. Paul's affection for the Christian community at Philippi is apparent from his opening words. The Philippians were not only Paul's sons and daughters in the Faith but also his partners in sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

WHAT CATHOLICS BELIEVE WITH FR. KEVIN MALONEY

Join us Wednesday mornings from 9:00-10:00 a.m. in the St. Francis de Sales Parish Hall as Fr. Kevin gives an "Introduction to the Old Testament". It's a great way to learn more about your faith this Lenten season. These 1-hour sessions run each Wednesday from 21st February 2018 to 28th March 2018. All are welcome to these informative talks by Fr. Kevin with time set aside for questions.

WHY THE WILD GOOSE?

Video Series presented by Fr. Dave Pivonka Join Us Tuesday February 20th at 7:00pm. St. Columban's Activity Room. Above the Agape Centre.



TRI-COUNTY LITERACY TRAINING

Tri-County Literacy is pleased to offer a FREE 4-Week Training: Email 101. The class will start February 12th, 2018 and run Monday to Thursday 9 am to 12 pm. In this course, participants create a free email account and learn to format messages using popular features, create an electronic address book, organize messages by creating category folders, send messages with documents attached, reply to messages, learn about email etiquette and safety, as well as link to other free community resources. To register, individuals can call 613-932-7161.

Another training that will be offered is Landscaping & Grounds Maintenance Training. Participants will have the opportunity to learn the essential skills working with plants, garden design, and soil preparation, safety at work, and other topics, as well as, interesting guest speakers. Classes will run Monday to Thursday 9 to 11:30 am, starting Tuesday, February 20th, 2018. The March Break will be off. For more information or to register, please contact Tri-County Literacy Council at 613-932-7161.

ST. JULIAN'S CHAPEL

Come to Simply Adore Jesus at St. Julian's Chapel - 24/7 Perpetual Adoration. Behind St. Peter's Parish (side entrance). You are always welcome!

ST. COLUMBAN COLLECTION REPORT FOR FEBRUARY 04, 2018

Sunday Envelopes	3,476.50
Loose Collection	231.90
Initial Offering	10.00
Total	\$ 3,718.40

BOOKTABLE NEWS

LENT is already upon us?! On the Booktable are some booklets for you with daily reflections. (\$2.00). "Let them lead you from contemplating on Christ's mercy and Passion to the astounding joy that is ours because of His great sacrifice for us....." Have a blessed Lent!

GET SET FOR KINDERGARTEN!

Registration for the 2018-2019 school year is now underway at your local Catholic school. French Immersion is offered at many of our schools. In addition, we offer before and after school programs, and on-site daycare at some locations. Please call your local Catholic school for more information, or visit www.cdsbeo.on.ca for a complete list of schools and information on how to register your child.

PILGRIMAGE IN GREECE + CRUISE

The footsteps of Saint Paul with Father Marc Piche from September 29th to October 12th, 2018. For more information, Please contact Madeleine Lepage at 613-932-4136 or by email: madonnat@hotmail.com or Father Marc at 613-931-1424.

BEAUTY AND THE BEAST

The SEAWAY VALLEY THEATRE COMPANY presents their annual musical production, "Beauty and the Beast". Show dates are February 23rd & 24th at 7:30pm; we also have an afternoon matinee on February 19th at 1:30pm at the Aultsville Theatre. Tickets are available online at www.svtc.theticketwicket.ca. Also available in person or by phone at the SD&G United Way office, 405 Fourth Street West, Cornwall, 613-932-2051.

MESSAGE FROM ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

We encourage you to use our Lenten Calendar (inserted inside bulletin of Feb 11) which indicates for each week in Lent the requested donation of specific food types for use at our Food Bank. Typically during Lent we all give up something such as coffee, chocolate or beer. By utilizing the Calendar you will be giving up some of your worldly goods, rather than a specific treat, to the benefit of the poor in our area. As the Scriptures often advise us, we must all make an effort to share our good fortune with the less fortunate and the Lenten Calendar provides a means to do just that. Thank you in advance for your generosity and as information, our Annual Report is printed on the back of the Calendar.

PARISH MISSION

You are invited to the **Lenten Parish Mission** (in French) with Sister Marie-Thérèse Nadeau, author of many books and articles, which will take place at Ste-Thérèse Church from Sunday March 4th to Wednesday March 7th. There will a talk at 7 p.m. each evening, with Confessions on the Tuesday evening and a Mass on the Wednesday evening. A talk will also be given at 2 p.m. on the Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Please join us.

BREAKFAST AT PRECIOUS BLOOD PARISH

The K of C, Council 5068 Glen Walter, invite you to a breakfast to help fire victim Steve Poirier, in the parish hall of Precious Blood on **Sunday, February 25, 2018 from 9:00a.m. to 12:30p.m.** *Free will offering.*

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