

**2ND SUNDAY OF  
LENT (C)  
21 FEBRUARY, 2016**

Our citizenship is in heaven. From there we are expecting a Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ ... stand firm in this way.

# 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.  
**Lent weekdays except Mondays:** 7:30 a.m. , 12:10 p.m.

## THE JOURNEY OF FAITH

*"The 'Door of Faith' is always open for us ... To enter through that door is to set out on a journey that lasts a lifetime." Pope Benedict VI*

### WON'T YOU BECOME A LIFELONG DISCIPLE?

- 1.) God created us out of His own love and goodness to share in His life.
- 2.) At every moment God is seeking us.
- 3.) There is one God - a communion of three persons (CCC 266).
- 4.) We are made for God's love.
- 5.) Faith is our response to God
  - An assent of our minds to all that God has revealed
  - A personal adherence to God, in which we entrust our lives to Him.

## A CALL TO CONVERSION

"Come, follow Me." God invites our "yes" to follow Him on the most exciting adventure possible in all of human life. We need to move beyond any fear that God may ask "too much" of us. Jesus invites us to: "Be not afraid." He loves us and He knows what's best for us.

## STEPS TO DISCIPLESHIP

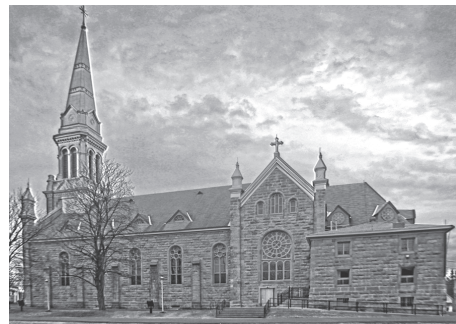
Set aside time everyday to foster our relationship with God in prayer. Consider beginning with 15-20 minutes, preferably in the morning, praying to God, listening to Him through His Word, and deepening that relationship with Him. He gave us the Lord's Prayer as an example or model for prayer. The three essential components are:

- a.) PRAISE - Focus on God, praising and thanking God for what He's done. It helps us to regain perspective,
- b.) PETITION - Ask and trust our heavenly Father to supply our needs.
- c.) ASK FOR & EXTEND FORGIVENESS - Ask God's forgiveness for our acknowledged failures and offer our forgiveness of those who sinned against us.

If we say that we're too busy to pray, we're too busy. Nothing is more important in life than having a relationship with our heavenly Father that will lead us to eternal life. Persevere and before we know it, God will be changing things deep within us and we'll begin to see how God is working in our lives.

## HOW WILL YOU RESPOND TO JESUS' CALL?

- Will you take time to pray with Him?
- Will you be open to the ways that He may call you to grow and change?
- Will you persevere on the path of faith?
- Will you recognize the One Who is leading you on this journey?



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Parochial Administrator

Rev. Mr. Chris Chisholm, Deacon

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Mrs. Kelly Poitras

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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

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**CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES**

Saturday, February 20<sup>th</sup>

3 – 4 p.m. Confessions  
5:30 p.m. Beverley Stoneham by Nancy Weir

Sunday, February 21<sup>st</sup>

7:30 a.m. Intention of parishioners  
9:30 a.m. Si Miller (2<sup>nd</sup> Anniv.of death) by  
wife Joan & family  
11:00 a.m. Maria Rosa Vincelli by St. Columban  
Pastoral Leadership Team

Monday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> No Mass

Tuesday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>

7:30 a.m. Souls in Purgatory by a Parishioner  
12:10 p.m. Jacques Lebrun by David & Lisa Herjavec

Wednesday, February 24<sup>th</sup>

7:30 a.m. Rita Hutt by Helen Schweitzer  
12:10 p.m. Jack Tyo by Jean McLennan

Thursday, February 25<sup>th</sup>

7:30 a.m. Ursula Cleary by St. Columban's C.W.L  
12:10 p.m. Marlene MacMillan by Irene & Rheal Samson

Friday, February 26<sup>th</sup>

7:30 a.m. Rita Poapst by Stella MacDonald  
12:10 p.m. Dennis Laverty by family of the  
late Gerald & Yvette MacPherson  
5:15 p.m. Stations of the Cross

Saturday, February 27<sup>th</sup>

3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Confessions  
5:30 p.m. Therese Deneault by Isabella & Joe Belmonte

Sunday, February 28<sup>th</sup>

7:30 a.m. Margaret Varin by Pat & Gilles Amelotte & family  
9:30 a.m. Intention of Parishioners  
11:00 a.m. Yvon David (4<sup>th</sup> Anniv.of Death) by wife Rose  
& family

Monday, February 29<sup>th</sup> No Mass

**PRAY FOR VOCATIONS**

During the month of February, please pray in a special way for vocations to religious life and married life

**PLEASE PICK UP YOUR  
2015 PARISH TAX RECEIPT**  
at the back of the Church this weekend.

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

**IN THE PARISH**

**COLLECTION 7 FEBRUARY, 2016 – THANK YOU**

\$3,988.60	Sunday Env.	\$	20.00	Flowers
411.58	Loose	\$	1,000.00	Priests Pension Fund
<b>\$4,400.18</b>	<b>Total</b>	\$	5.00	Initial Offering
		\$	10.00	Development and Peace

All are invited to come and pray the  
**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**  
**5:15 P.M.**  
**FRIDAYS DURING LENT.**

*Sacrament of Reconciliation  
The Gift of God's Mercy*  
**DIOCESAN DAY OF CONFESSIONS**  
**WEDNESDAY, 2 MARCH**  
Come and experience the healing mercy of God in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. No matter how long it has been, how much or how little you have to confess, Jesus is waiting for you.  
Come and experience the grace of God at  
**ST. PETER'S CHURCH – 2 TO 9 P.M.**  
*Other parishes where priests will be available*  
St. Therese, Cornwall - 2 to 9 p.m.  
St. Finnan's, Alexandria - 2 to 9 p.m.  
Our Lady of the Angels, Moose Creek – 1 to 7 p.m.  
  
*During this time,  
all four parishes will also have*  
**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**

**BOOKTABLE NEWS**

There are a variety of **LENTEN** meditation booklets, by different authors available for your Lenten prayer time.  
Also available are some copies of the **MAGNIFICAT "YEAR OF MERCY" COMPANION** with readings, testimonies, reflections, etc. that will immerse you day-by-day through the year in the virtue of mercy. \$7.95

**ITALIAN SUPPER**

**5 P.M., SUNDAY, 28 FEBRUARY**  
St. Columban Activity Centre (upstairs Agape Bldg.)  
Adults \$10., child \$5.  
**Tickets available this weekend at 4<sup>th</sup> Street Entrance.**



**COFFEE AND CHAT**

After Mass this weekend, stop for a cup of coffee at the back of the Church. Say hello to old friends and introduce yourself to someone you haven't met before.

**IN THE DIOCESE AND COMMUNITY**

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY LENTEN FOOD DRIVE**  
*"Whoever is generous will be blessed because he shares his food with the poor" Proverbs 22.9*

Please donate Breakfast cereals, Canned fruits, Canned vegetables, Peanut butter, Spaghetti sauces, Canned tuna or salmon, Canned pasta, Spaghetti O's, Alphagetti, etc. Leave donated items at Church entrance and SVDP will arrange for pick-up. Thank you for your continued support.

**LENTEN MISSION AT BLESSED SACRAMENT CHURCH**  
**JESUS: OUR EUCHARISTIC LORD**  
**GUEST SPEAKER FR. SCOTT McCAIG,**

General Superior of The Companions of the Cross. He joined the Companions because of key elements of its vision: unquestioned fidelity to the Church, life-giving brotherhood, openness to the ways of the Holy Spirit, love for the Blessed Mother and its evangelical mission. Join Father Scott as he brings all these gifts and more.  
**7 P.M., 28 FEBRUARY TO 2 MARCH**

**DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE - SHARE LENT 2016**

*"Let us open our eyes and see the misery of the world, the wounds of our brothers and sisters who are denied their dignity, and let us recognize that we are compelled to heed their cry for help".*

**NEW EVANGELIZATION SUMMIT - 15/16 APRIL**

Live-streamed to the Agora Centre. Speakers Sherry Weddell, author of *Forming Intentional Disciples*, Christopher West, expert on the Theology of the Body, Dr. Peter Kreeft, convert & author, Angele Regnier, co-founder of CCO, Fr. Raniero Cantalamessa, preacher to the Papal household & more. Music, prayer & socializing Fri. evening & all day Sat. with lunch included. Register online at [www.newevangelization.ca](http://www.newevangelization.ca)  
For help or questions, call Marilyn at 613-703-7823.

**REGISTRATION OPEN FOR STEUBENVILLE TORONTO**

Canada's largest Catholic Youth Conference.  
22 - 24 July on campus at UOIT in Oshawa, Ont.  
Activ8 Youth Ministry is promoting a \$50 early bird registration discount (register on line and deposit of \$100) until March 1<sup>st</sup>. Register at [www.steubenvilletoronto.com](http://www.steubenvilletoronto.com) for teens entering Grade 9 next Sept. For more info contact Sister Francine at [fguilmette@alexandria-cornwall.ca](mailto:fguilmette@alexandria-cornwall.ca)

**HOLY YEAR OF MERCY PILGRIMAGE - 17-30 SEPTEMBER**

Private escorted group tour. Escorted by Fr. Kevin Maloney and Donna Flanigan to Lourdes, Santander, Santiago de Compostela, Fatima, Batalha, Alcobaca, Lisbon, Rome (includes attendance of the Papal Audience) For more details, contact Donna Flanigan at 613-938-6969

**IN THE DIOCESE AND COMMUNITY**

**LANGUAGE OF THE HEART...AN INTRODUCTION TO THE BIBLE**  
(The Patriarchs, Moses, How the New Testament came to be, The Gospel of Mark, The Gospels of Matthew and Luke)  
**7 P.M. WEDNESDAYS DURING LENT**  
Lead by Fr. Dan In St. Andrew's Church Sacristy

**WHAT CATHOLICS BELIEVE**

**9-10 AM. THURSDAYS IN LENT** Lead by Fr. Kevin on The Gospel of John in St. Francis de Sales Parish Hall.

**INAUGURATION OF JUBILEE DOORS OF MERCY**

In The Diocese of Alexandria-Cornwall Archbishop Terrence Prendergast will inaugurate the Diocese's two Jubilee Doors of Mercy.  
**4 p.m., SAT., 20 FEB.** - Ste-Croix, Cornwall  
**11 a.m., SUN., 21 FEB.** - St. Finnan's, Alexandria

**MERCIFUL LIKE THE FATHER**

5 interactive sessions at Shalom House, looking at the mercy that was the mission of Jesus and how we, as followers, are called to continue this ministry.  
rsvp to 613-525-1704 or [maisonshalomhouse@bellnet.ca](mailto:maisonshalomhouse@bellnet.ca)  
**7 P.M. TUESDAYS, 16 & 23 FEB., 1, 8 & 15 MARCH**

**SPAGHETTI JAMBOREE 4 P.M. TO MIDNIGHT, SAT. 5 MARCH**

St. Martin of Tours Parish, Glen Robertson  
Fundraiser for a new natural gas furnace for the Church sponsored by the parish and K of C Council 12865.  
Tax receipt can be issued for donations over \$20.  
Supper served from 4 to 7 p.m. Cash bar available.  
Adults \$10, \$5 ages 6 to 12, free under age 6.

**LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY 4 & 5 MARCH IN TORONTO**

Speakers include Ralph Martin, Sister Ann Shields, Peter Herbeck and Deacon Larry Oney. Mass, music, prayer time and more. Separate youth event (ages 13 to 18) with great music, dynamic talks and inspirational skits. Youth must be accompanied by a parent/guardian. \$200 includes hotel within walking distance of rally, coach bus, entrance fee. \$50 deposit required. For more details, visit the diocesan website [www.alexandria-cornwall.ca/evangelization](http://www.alexandria-cornwall.ca/evangelization). Seats limited.  
e-mail [mbergerson@alexandria-cornwall.ca](mailto:mbergerson@alexandria-cornwall.ca).

**SALESIAN YOUTH LEADERSHIP CAMP**

Youthful, dynamic, funny, hands-on learning weekend with a Catholic perspective of leadership. Limited space.  
Co-lead by Activ8 & Salesian Sisters of St. John Bosco.  
**FRIDAY TO SUNDAY, 29-30 APRIL, 1 MAY.**  
Contact Sr. Francine at [fguilmette@alexandria-cornwall.ca](mailto:fguilmette@alexandria-cornwall.ca)

**NEEDED - PALLIATIVE CARE VOLUNTEERS AT HEARTWOOD**  
to sit with residents 1 or 2 hours at a time as needed. Training in palliative care an asset, but not required. For more info, please contact Lisa Herjavec, Recreation/Rehab Manager, 613-933-7420, or [lisa.herjavec@reveraliving.com](mailto:lisa.herjavec@reveraliving.com)

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