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Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

ST. COLUMBAN PARISH

IN OUR PARISH

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

"And Mary kept all these things, reflecting on them in her heart."
LUKE 2:19

After Jesus, we look to Mary as an ideal steward. Her entire life was lived in obedience to God's call. She heard God's message, and immediately said "yes." Mary teaches us to live with joy and gratitude for the many blessings God has given us. Just as the moon reflects the light of the sun, Mary reflects the light of Christ. Like Mary, we are called to reflect Christ's light to the world. We do this through lives of gratitude and generosity.

ST. COLUMBAN COLLECTION REPORT FOR DECEMBER 11, 2022

Sunday Envelopes	2,649.00
Loose Collection	460.90
Christmas Offering	50.00
Weekly Total	\$3,159.90

2022 CHRISTMAS MESSAGE (THE WORD BECAME FLESH)

Hail Mary full of Grace – the Lord is with you
Blessed are you among women & Blessed is the fruit of your womb.

Mary....Chosen to give God flesh!

Bethlehem of Judea – Beth – lehem --- House of Bread
He himself said "I am the Living Bread which came down from Heaven"

And the word was with God & the Word was God.
And the Word became flesh

He made His dwelling among us and we saw His Glory –
The Glory as of the Father's only son full of Grace & Truth.
We became children of God precisely because God reached down to us and became a Son of Man.

Come let us adore Him.

This profound mystery of Christmas puts into the hearts of Man – Peace

To live as Brothers & Sisters- children of the same God.
Yes – we are kissed by – Beauty, Grace & Truth – from Jesus the Christ

The only begotten son – God who is at the Father's side has revealed Him.

Venite Adoremus - And became Flesh

May you all enjoy a very Blessed and Merry Christmas.

Fr. Tom
Fr. Marc
Deacon Guy

TODAY'S READINGS – JANUARY 01ST, 2022

1st Reading:	Numbers 6.22-27
2nd Reading:	Galatians 4.4-7
Gospel:	Luke 2.16-21
	They found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. After eight days he was named Jesus.

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IN OUR PARISH

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, December 31st SEVENTH DAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF THE NATIVITY

3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Confessions

5:30 p.m. Ron Welsh by Eileen Aquin

Sunday, January 01st THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

THE OCTAVE DAY OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

7:30 a.m. Herbert Clarke Jr. by George Clarke

10:00 a.m. People of the Parish

Monday, January 02nd ST. BASIL THE GREAT & ST. GREGORY NAZIANZEN (M)

7:30 a.m. **No Mass** CHRISTMAS

Tuesday, January 03rd THE MOST HOLY NAME OF JESUS (OM)

7:30 a.m. Lucien Armstrong by Frances Doyon

Wednesday, January 04th

12:10 p.m. Edwin Cespon (1st Anniversary of Death) by Darlene & Lloyd Tyo

Thursday, January 05th

7:30 a.m. Rolland Fobert by Phil & Margie Maloney

Friday, January 06th SACRED HEART of JESUS - FIRST FRIDAY

7:30 a.m. Souls in Purgatory Most in Need of Prayer by Elaine Lebrun

7:00 p.m. ADORATION

Saturday, January 07th ST. ANDRE BESSETTE (M)

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY - FIRST SATURDAY

7:00 – 7:25 a.m. Confessions

8:00 a.m. Our Children & Their Families by Richard & Carole Pilon

3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Confessions

5:30 p.m. Colin Pottie by Angus Kelly

Sunday, January 08th THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

7:30 a.m. People of the Parish

9:30 a.m. Barry Adams by Frances & George O'Dair

11:00 a.m. Claude Ouimet (26th Anniversary of Death) by Richard & Carole Pilon

Monday, January 09th THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD (F)

7:30 a.m. **No Mass** ORDINARY TIME – WEEK 1

SANCTUARY LAMP INTENTION

The living flame of the Sanctuary Lamp, signifying the Eucharistic Presence of our Lord Jesus Christ, is offered this week In Thanksgiving for Rick & Bernadette McRae by St. Columban's Catholic Women's League.



NEW YEAR'S - MASS SCHEDULE (revised)

New Year's Eve, Saturday December 31st 5:30 p.m.

New Year's Day, Sunday January 1st 7:30 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.

OFFICE NEW YEAR HOURS

The Parish Office will close on December 29th at 12:00 noon and remain closed until January 9th, 2023.

ARCHBISHOP'S CHRISTMAS MESSAGE 2022

The Christmas Message from Archbishop Damphousse is available on website: <https://en.archoc.ca/current-messages>

IN OUR PARISH AND DIOCESE

THE GIVING OF OUR TIME, OUR TALENT, AND OUR TREASURE

Stewardship is the proper managing and sharing of our time, talent, and treasure for building the Kingdom of God.

Everything we have is a gift – our life, our property, our health, our talents, our money. All are gifts from God. We are called to share these gifts with others – not in a single action, not in a hundred actions, but as a way of life. We are called to receive God's gifts gratefully, to develop them responsibly, and to return them to the Lord through sharing with others. Stewardship is a direct response to God's generosity and an expression of discipleship.

TIME AND TALENT

We grow in discipleship through service. Our volunteer community consist of over 50 members serving in one capacity or another. We are grateful for all our volunteers who so generously support our many ministries. For those of you who are not yet engaged, please consider serving in a ministry that best suits your available time and talent.

TREASURE

Your financial contributions to the Parish allow us to meet our operating and maintenance expenses and to invest in upgrades to our facilities and programs. We currently offer several ways for you to contribute financial support:

1. **Envelopes and Parish Registrations**
2. **Interac e-Transfer**
3. **Wills and Bequests**

Whichever means works best for you, we are most grateful for your ongoing support.

2023 PARISH ENVELOPES

Envelopes are available at the 4th Street entrance. Please ensure the number on the label matches the number in the box. Beginning January 1st please discard all 2022 envelopes and write your name on the 2023 envelopes for the entire month of January.

ENVELOPES AND PARISH REGISTRATION

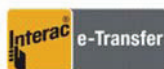
If you are new to the parish, please pick up a Registration Form located at the Fourth St. Entrance. You can drop it in the Collection Basket or the mailbox at the Rectory. You can also bring it to the Rectory during regular business hours. The registration form allows the parish to know how many families live in the parish and allows parish staff to contact families when necessary. It also allows the church to provide a yearly tax receipt. Registration means that we want to gather each Sunday with our brothers and sisters in Christ to worship God and that we want and intend to support the ministries in our parish. Registration is a concrete sign that the family is involved in the life and work of the parish.

WILLS AND BEQUESTS

Please call or e-mail the parish office and we can assist you with your charitable gift. Parish Secretary 613-932-9616 or office@stcolumban@cogeco.ca

INTERAC E-TRANSFER PROCESS

Please get in touch with the Parish Office (613-932-9616) if you require assistance with this process.



PLEASE NOTE

We need to close the Parish Financial books on December 29th. All money received after this date will be credited for 2023.

THANK YOU FROM THE CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Members of the parish council wish to thank the parishioners for their generous donation of Jell-O. Because of your generosity, 700 boxes were contributed to the Children's Christmas Baskets. Wishing everyone a very blessed Christmas.

POPE FRANCIS JANUARY INTENTIONS

For educators. We pray that educators may be credible witnesses, teaching fraternity rather than competition and helping the youngest and most vulnerable above all.

VOCATIONS

Prayers for Vocations: Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God – Jan. 1, 2023. That Mary, the Mother of God will nurture, guide and protect all those called to the priesthood, diaconate, and the consecrated life.

WINTER BIBLE STUDY AT ST. FRANCIS DE SALES PARISH:

Starting on JANUARY 4, 2023, come and join us for **Season 2 of THE CHOSEN**. On Wednesday mornings, we will serve coffee after morning Mass and begin the videos at **9 AM**. The post-video discussion groups were active in the fall, and we are eager to have new guests join in the winter season. If you missed out on Season 1, join us anyway and learn more about Jesus and the disciples that He chose to join him. **Everyone is welcome.**

WOMEN'S MORNING OF REFLECTION

Please join us Sat. Jan.7 for a special mini-retreat day with retreat master Fr. Allan MacDonald, C.C. The theme for the retreat is "Mary: the World's First Love." The morning will begin with mass at 9:00 am, followed by a light breakfast, the first talk and then a rosary. Confession will be available. A soup and sandwich lunch will be served, followed by a second talk and a Q.& A. period. We will finish by 2:30 pm. Please join us at the Agora Centre on McConnell St. in Cornwall. A donation of \$20 would be appreciated. Please register with Heidi Krol at 613-347-7561, michaelkrol@xplornet.com or Marilyn Light at 613-537-2021, marilynn.light@gmail.com.

ROAST BEEF DINNER

Roast Beef Dinner at St. Francis de Sales - Knights of Columbus Council 11531, Thursday, 12th January 2023 - 4:30-6:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Cost: Adults \$15, Children under 12 years old \$5

PARISH BREAKFAST

Parish Breakfast at St. Francis de Sales - K of C Council 11531, Sunday, 29th January 2023 - 8:30 a.m.-noon in the Parish Hall. Cost: Adults \$8.50, Children under 12 years old \$4.00

PRO-LIFE RAFFLE

Congratulations to the three winners of our Pro-Life Raffle: Grand prize winner: Linda Runions, 2nd prize winner: Karen Melville and 3rd prize winner: Norm Menard. A special thank you to all who bought raffle tickets in support of Pro-Life Cornwall Pro-Vie. As we live in this season of Christmas, we are reminded of the importance of life. Sadly life has never been so under attack as it currently is in Canada. Your generous support will allow us to continue to fight for life at all stages, from conception to natural death. Pro-Life Cornwall Pro-Vie wishes each of you a happy and healthy 2023.



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