

In the Gospel today, Jesus compares the Kingdom to a valuable treasure. When we finally understand the Kingdom of God, it will be like finding the greatest treasure we can imagine. However, it will be God who sorts out the good from the bad. Judgement is not ours.

ST. COLUMBAN

PARISH

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)

JULY 26, 2020

PASTORAL STAFF

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Rev. Mr. Chris Chisholm, Deacon

MASSES & SACRAMENTS

Saturday Vigil	5:30 PM
Sunday	7:30, 9:30 & 11:00 AM
Tuesday – Friday	7:30 AM
Confession	Saturdays, 3 – 4 PM (or by appointment)
Baptism	Please notify one month in advance
Marriages	Please notify 6 months in advance

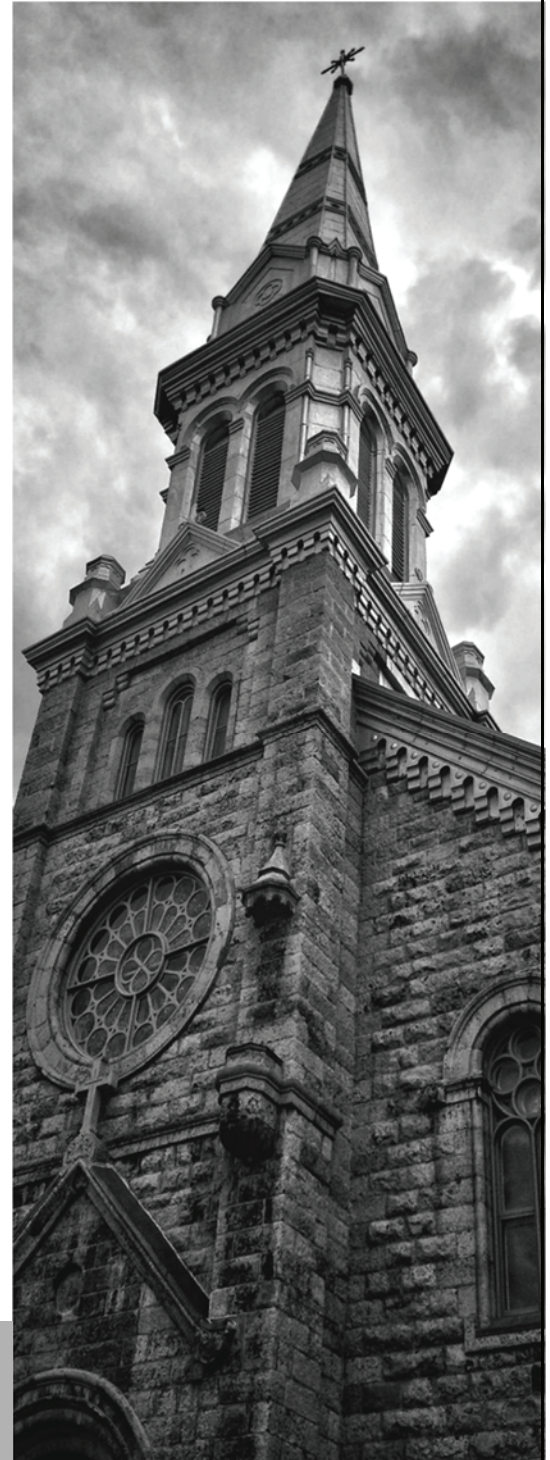
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CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

IN OUR PARISH

Saturday, July 25th SAINT JAMES (F)

5:30 p.m. Rick Lalonde by Wife Sue

Sunday, July 26th SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30 a.m. Intentions of Parishioners
9:30 a.m. Sheila Fitzpatrick by Yolande Robinson
11:00 a.m. Jake Lamoureux by Angus Kelly

Monday, July 27th

7:30 a.m. **No Mass** ORDINARY TIME – WEEK 17

Tuesday, July 28th

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

Wednesday, July 29th ST. MARTHA (M)

7:30 a.m. Ron van Riel by Corrie & Maria

Thursday, July 30th ST. PETER CHRYSOLOGUS (OM)

7:30 a.m. Marilyn Hamilton by Her Family

Friday, July 31st ST. IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA (M)

7:30 a.m. Peter & Theresa D’Cruz by the Estate

Saturday, August 01st IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY - FIRST SATURDAY ST. ALPHONSUS LIGUORI (M)

8:00 a.m. For the Healing & Conversion of Our Children & Grandchildren by a Parishioner

5:30 p.m. Catherine & Rheal Deschamps by Bea Tardif

Sunday, August 02nd EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30 a.m. Intentions of Parishioners
9:30 a.m. Julia Herjavec & Daughter Nada Basan by the Family
11:00 a.m. Grace Emeodi by Doug & Jane Anderson

Monday, August 03rd

7:30 a.m. **No Mass** ORDINARY TIME – WEEK 18

PLEASE NOTE

There will be **no morning mass** on Tuesday July 28, 2020.

IN APPRECIATION

Thank you to all those who have volunteered to help at all the masses. Sanitizing the pews is a strict requirement in order for us to continue having masses. If you can volunteer to help at any mass, please call the office 613-932-9616. More hands make light work.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

“We know that all things work for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose.” ROMANS 8:28

Do you really trust God? Do you really believe that God will provide all that you need? Faith is a challenge for everyone at times. Putting our trust in God, in everything we do, in good times and in bad, means that God’s plan for our lives may be quite different than what we planned. When one door closes, another one opens. Trust in God, His plan is always better.

TODAY’S READINGS – JULY 26TH, 2020

1st Reading: 1 Kings 3.5-12
2nd Reading: Romans 8.28-30
Gospel: Matthew 13.44-52
Anyone who finds a treasure in a field, sells all and buys that field.

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

The office hours for the duration of the summer are Tuesday – Thursday 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

THANK YOU

Fr. Ernest and the Pastoral team offer sincere gratitude to all parishioners who have continued to support our parish financially during this pandemic and also to all our parishioners who are unable to return to mass due to health reasons but who continue to send their weekly offering through E Transfers and mail. Please continue to pray for each other and our Church.

SANCTUARY LAMP INTENTION

The living flame of the Sanctuary Lamp, signifying the Eucharistic presence of our Lord Jesus Christ, is offered this week in Memory of Christine Langlois by Daughter Monica & Family.



PLEASE NOTE

Confessions will be by appointment only. Please call the office (613.932.9616) and we will schedule a time for you.

SEPTEMBER CEMETERY SERVICE

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, we will not be holding the annual September service this year.

PLEA FOR VOLUNTEERS TO HELP

We all want our Church to prosper and to be here for our families and fellow parishioners. We are requesting parishioners of St. Columban's Parish to step toward and volunteer to assist in the essential activities surrounding the Masses in our Church. Whether it be sanitizing people's hands when they enter the Church, ushering people to the appropriate seats, welcoming and providing assistance, sanitizing of the church pews immediately after Mass, being a Eucharistic Minister or any of the other ministries, there is a great need for your help. Seriously consider your role in providing a safe and friendly environment for all of us to pray and receive the sacraments. Don't let this pandemic limit our ability to worship God in our beautiful Church. To volunteer to help, please call the office at 613-932-9616 or present yourself before the next Mass you attend. The Church needs your help at the 5:30 pm mass on Saturday, or the 7:30 am, 9:30 am or 11:00 am Masses on Sunday, as well as the weekly 7:30 am Masses (excluding Mondays).

NEW SEATING IN THE CHURCH AND SOME PROTOCOL REMINDERS

We have removed the caution tape and replaced it with green squares. It is very important that everyone wear their mask the proper way ensuring that it covers your nose, mouth and chin at all times. Never, ever change pews. Once you are seated you must remain in that pew for the duration of mass. Please put kneeler in the down position before exiting pew thus ensuring volunteers clean all the used pews. When receiving Communion you must have your hand flat (Place one hand over the other ensuring top hand is flat) so the Eucharistic Minister does not touch you when placing the Host in your hand. Thank you all for your patience and understanding.

IN OUR PARISH AND DIOCESE

PLEASE NOTE

On First Friday of the Month, August 7th, there will be no Adoration, and Confessions are by appointment only until further notice.

PLEASE NOTE: Access the Diocesan Website for further updates concerning Masses, and COVID-19, using address: <https://eng.alexandria-cornwall.ca>

DEAR PARISHIONERS

Please note that the seating in the body of the church has been changed.

The yellow caution tape has been removed and replaced by green squares of tape on the back of the pews where you may sit. People living in the same household (singles, couples, families) may share these pews.

Every second pew starting at the front of the church will not have a green square and must be left vacant in order to respect a 6 foot social distancing. This alternate pew will have seating available at the opposite end in a zigzag pattern from the centre aisle.

Please sit close to the aisle to maximize the space between your party and the people around you. If your family is large making the 6 foot distance difficult, you may wish to use two available pews marked with green.

The number of available pews has been increased, giving a greater sense of community. If at all possible, we encourage people to use the pews in the centre of the church. This helps us to restrict (and identify) the pews needing to be sanitized after each mass.

Everything else remains the same. Enter by the main centre door with mask on ensuring it covers your nose, mouth and chin. Sanitize your hands. (Place offering in basket at the door if you wish). Fill the church from the front to the back minimizing the passing of people and the spread of the virus. Exit by the west side door. N.B. The east handicapped entrance and reserved seating are still available for those needing to use the ramp.

We thank you for your cooperation in our efforts to ensure your safety and those of others. All of these follow the directives from the government and the diocese ensuring that we will not be fined because of non-compliance.

CATHOLIC INFORMATION CENTRE

We are happy to announce that the Store is **now open** effective June 15th from **Monday to Friday, 10 – 4 pm. Closed Saturdays.** We have in place all the guidelines required by the Health Dept., so we hope that you will feel safe to come in and shop or visit. We are looking forward to seeing everyone again! Reminder: We are located at 146 Chevrier Ave. Tel: 613-933-5099.

ST. COLUMBAN COLLECTION REPORT FOR JULY 12, 2020

Sunday Envelopes	4,398.00
Loose Collection	217.75
Total	\$ 4,615.75

POWER of PRAYER

The parish currently has openings for your Mass Intention. Do you have something to be thankful for, does someone you know need prayers, are you praying for a special need. By having a mass said it allows our parish community to offer their prayers along with you for your intention, we don't have to be alone in prayer. We welcome all those who would like to have a mass or a number of masses said for their intentions.

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION AUGUST 1ST

Rosary prayed at 7:30 a.m. Mass at 8 a.m. Come and pray.



MANDATORY MASKS

As of July 07, 2020 it is now mandatory that you wear a mask while in the public space of St. Columban Parish. All persons entering or remaining in these premises must wear a mask that securely covers the nose, mouth and chin as required by the Directive issued under the province's Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act.

SUNDAY MISSALS 2020 - 2021

The Finance Committee has decided not to purchase Sunday Missals for the pews. If you would like to purchase your own personal missal for the next Liturgical year please call the office before the end of August (Tuesday – Thursday) and we will order them for you.

POPE FRANCIS AUGUST INTENTIONS

The Maritime World

We pray for all those who work and live from the sea, among them sailors, fishermen and their families.

ST. JULIEN'S CHAPEL OPEN



Hello friends of Jesus. We are so happy to pass on the good news that the Chapel is now open. In order to open the Chapel safely important guidelines need to be followed.

Space here does not allow a complete list of these new guidelines. However, a maximum of 3 people will be allowed in the Chapel at any one time, and only people with fobs will be allowed entry.

For now, only regular adorers with fobs can enter. The doorbell will not be answered. God Bless.



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"Let us work for the good of all, and especially for the family of the faith" (Catechism 636)



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