

BODY & BLOOD

OF CHRIST

22 JUNE 2014

“When we eat this bread and
drink this cup we proclaim
Your death, Lord Jesus, until
You come in glory”

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: 7:30 a.m.

Today's Readings:

Deut 8:2-3, 14b-16a

Psalms 147

1 Corinthians 10:16-17

John 6:51-58

Within the Eucharist, the
Spirit of God descends and
makes bread and wine into
the body and blood of
Jesus Christ.

Further Reflection from the Catechism:

CCC: 1373-1379

CCCC: 273, 281

YOUCAT: 216-218

SEE WHO YOU ARE; BECOME WHAT YOU SEE.

The first reading from the Old Testament recalls how God fed the people of Israel. The gift of manna was given to the people of Israel as they traveled in the wilderness. However, the point is made that one can not live on bread alone. The gift of manna is given to the people to help them understand that God's Word is the true source of life. As Israel relied on manna for life in the desert, so the people must depend on the Word of God.

In today's Gospel, Jesus announces the promise of eternal life. Jesus promises living bread that will be life for the world. Jesus Himself is the bread of life. In today's passage Jesus tells His followers that by eating His flesh and drinking His blood, eternal life will be granted. The people of Jesus' time found it difficult to understand what He was saying.

This Gospel reveals that in consuming the bread and wine of the Eucharist the believer is made one with Jesus. Our participation in the Eucharist unites us with Jesus and with one another. When we eat and drink the meal of Eucharist, we show that we are part of the body of Christ, and that we have eternal life from Him.

On this feast of The Body and Blood of Christ we are reminded that "when we eat this bread and drink this cup we proclaim Your death, Lord Jesus, until You come in glory" (Roman Missal, Memorial Acclamation, Eucharistic Prayer). This awesome mystery proclaims that in the sacred meal of Eucharist, although we taste bread and wine, we experience in faith the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ.

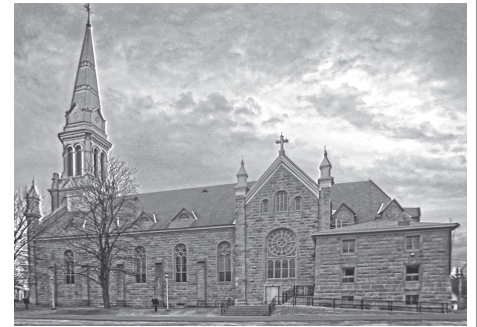
We believe that when the Church gathers to celebrate Eucharist, by the power of the Holy Spirit the bread and wine are changed into the Body and Blood of Christ. Jesus is really present in the Eucharist. Celebrating Eucharist joins us not only to Christ, but also to one another.

The Word in Liturgy

The reverence for the Lord's presence in the Eucharist dates from the earliest generations of Christians, as is clear from the "bread of life" discourse in John and the meal narratives with Eucharistic overtones found in all the Gospels. But it was not until the tenth and eleventh centuries that devotion to the Blessed Sacrament as an object of prayerful adoration developed extensively among the Christian faithful. A feast of the Blessed Sacrament was first celebrated in 1246, and within a hundred years the observance had spread throughout the Christian world. Pope Urban IV commissioned St. Thomas Aquinas in 1264 to compose the formularies for a Mass that he ordered extended to the universal Church. Those texts are still used today as the opening prayer, the prayer over the gifts, and the prayer after Communion in the Roman Missal.

[In Holy Eucharist,] Christ, both God and man, makes Himself wholly and entirely present (CCC 1374).

Excerpted from RCL Benziger Lectionary Resources



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Fr. Dan Van Delst, Pastor
Rev. Mr. Marcel Brunet, Deacon

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Mrs. Kelly Poitras

OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday

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.

Saturday 6:15 to 6:45 p.m.

Also by appointment

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CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

Saturday, June 21st

3 – 4 p.m. Confessions
 4:00 p.m. Wedding Cory Leduc & Amanda St. Louis
 6:15 – 6:45 p.m. Confessions
 7:00 p.m. Deacon Thomas Graney by Eva, Michael & Dan

Sunday, June 22nd

7:30 a.m. John Sampson by Chris & Pauline Chisholm
 9:30 a.m. Intentions of the parishioners
 11:00 a.m. Mae Lapierre by the S.V.D.P Society of Cornwall

Monday, June 23rd

7:30 a.m. Special Intention for Father Dan Van Delst by
 Joy of the Lord Prayer Group

Tuesday, June 24th

7:30 a.m. Souls in Purgatory by a parishioner

Wednesday, June 25th

7:30 a.m. Marguerite Wood by Art & Geraldine Lauzon
 1:00 p.m. Graduation & end of year Mass
 St. Columban's School

Thursday, June 26th

7:30 a.m. Mae Lapierre by Gerry & Lise DiCola
 1:00 p.m. Graduation & end of year Mass
 Bishop Macdonell School

Friday, June 27th

7:30 a.m. Grace Leroux by St. Columban's C.W.L.

Saturday, June 28th

Feast of Principal Patron of Diocese of Alexandria-Cornwall

3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Confessions
 6:15 – 6:45 p.m. Confessions
 7:00 p.m. Claire Wilson by Kelly Poitras

Sunday, June 29th

7:30 a.m. Intentions of the Parishioners
 9:30 a.m. Father Dan Van Delst in Thanksgiving
 by the Surgeon family
 11:00 a.m. Phil Poirier by Larry Welch

Monday, June 30th

7:30 a.m. Marielle Taylor by Joy of the Lord Prayer Group

ST. COLUMBAN'S CEMETERY.

We'd love to add another granite bench by our newest columbarium in the cemetery. If anyone is interested in donating a bench with an inscription, to the cemetery, please call Tracy at 613 933 1138 ext. 23 to discuss.

SUMMER SCHOOL 27-30 JULY, 2014 FOR LITURGICAL MUSICIANS & VOCALISTS

hosted by Hamilton Diocese.
 Keynote speaker Rev. Gerald Wiesner, OMI.
 Subsidies available for 19 to 33 year old and for seminarians. For more information, contact the parish office.

IN OUR PARISH

COLLECTION – 8 JUNE – THANK YOU

Sunday	\$4,164.00	Vocation Sunday	\$ 30.00
Loose	550.52	Papal Charities	180.00
Total	\$4,714.52	Dev. & Peace	4.00
Votive Candles	\$ 189.85	Initial Offering	5.00
Book Table	56.20	Good Fri/Holy Land	25.00
Initial Offering	5.00	Easter	30.00
Flowers	5.00	New Year's	10.00



Parish Picnic

12 TO 2 P.M., THIS SUNDAY, 22 JUNE

On the east side of the Church
 BBQ hot dogs & hamburgers for a
 good will offering to help cover costs.
 Small charge for desserts Children's games.
 Plan to attend. Bring your lawn chair.

All are invited to attend a

Farewell Tribute to Father Dan

2 TO 4 P.M., NEXT SUNDAY, 29 JUNE.

In order to have ground-level access (no stairs) and a sufficiently large place to gather, Trinity Church at 105 Second St. W. is opening their spacious hall to us for this event. Access is via the main front entrance as well as via the rear parking lot entrance. If possible, please consider parking at Time Square in order that those who need it may use the limited parking behind the church.

There will be a light lunch;
 Photos, a Slideshow
 and arranged Presentations at 3:15 p.m.
 Cards, gifts and best wishes are welcome.

INTRODUCING OUR NEW PARISH PASTORAL CARE OUTREACH

A team of volunteer parishioners under the direction of Father Dan, and alongside others in the diocese, have been coming together for formal training and formation over the past year. We seek to bring God's love to others by telephoning and visiting the ill, disabled, elderly and those who have suffered a loss, such as the loss of a spouse. A key focus is maintaining contact with those who are unable to attend Mass regularly. We're good listeners, respectful of confidentiality, embracing an attitude of prayer with and for others.

If you know anyone in our parish community who might be in need of a comforting contact from a caring member of the pastoral care outreach team, please present your request through the parish office during regular office hours (listed on this bulletin cover.)

REST IN THE PEACE AND LOVE OF THE LORD

Leonard Kingston, Betty Brisson, Walter McDonald
 and all who died this past week

PARISIEN MANOR – SPIRITUAL CARE

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CWL of St. Peter's Parish is hosting a

CARD PARTY, 7:30 P.M., SUNDAY, 29 JUNE

"Share the Wealth", Cash Prizes, Door Prize – Admission \$5. Light lunch and coffee.

PRO-LIFE – WALK FOR LIFE – 1 P.M., SUNDAY, 22 JUNE

Starts at Charles-Emile-Claude Centre for a short walk through Le Village. Walk is followed by the Annual General Meeting – guest speaker Jennifer Snell from Life Canada.

COLF CALLS CHRISTIANS TO BE AUDACIOUS WITNESSES

Euthanasia Is Authorized in Quebec

By a vote of 94 to 22, the members of Québec's National Assembly have adopted the death-dealing Bill 52, somewhat ironically called an "Act respecting end-of-life". June 5, 2014, will now go down as one of the saddest days in the history of "La belle province". Masked as "medical aid in dying", euthanasia is now authorized by law in Québec.

For those citizens who respect the dignity of every human person, from conception to natural death, this event represents a call of unprecedented urgency, a call to take a stand in defense of those groups who will resist and challenge this new law. This is also a strong call to demand quality palliative care for all Quebecers who need to be accompanied with compassion until their natural death. We must always remember that-- even from a narrowly humanistic point of view-- that which is legal is not necessarily moral.

For Christians, walking in the footsteps of the Risen One, who has already won the ultimate victory over all evil – including the evil of euthanasia – this devastating law calls us to become witnesses in word and deed. Like the first Christians, we must be audacious in speaking with our family members, friends and colleagues at work on the subject of euthanasia; we must also make ourselves more available to walk with and support the vulnerable people God places on our path.

Our main inspiration for defending the life and dignity of each person are the words of Jesus: **"Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me"** (Matthew: 25: 40 NRSV).

9 June, 2014 Source : Michèle Boulva, Director
Catholic Organization For Life and Family
COLF is co-sponsored by the
Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops and the
Supreme Council of the Knights of Columbus.

WIG SALON – BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

Located at Chateau Cornwall, 41 Amelia Street has a large selection of new and donated wigs available in many colours and styles. The service is free for any cancer patient. Please call the Canadian Cancer Society - 613-932-1283

VBS 2014 – MARVELOUS MYSTERY – THE MASS COMES ALIVE

The Catholic Church of Alexandria-Cornwall is offering a great Vacation Bible School. Ages 4 to 12, join Moses the Cat & learn about the wonder & magnificence of the Mass & deepen your love for Jesus in the Eucharist through faith teachings, catchy music, fun games, skits, crafts & snacks. \$25/child or \$65/family.

St. Peter's Parish, 9 to Noon, 7 to 11 July
St. Anthony's Parish, 9 to Noon, 4 to 8 August.
Contact Johanna at 613-933-1138 Ext. 31.

POPE FRANCIS – "FEAR OF THE LORD"

2014-06-12 Vatican

Pope Francis warned corrupt persons in positions of power that they would do well to fear God's justice and repent, during the course of the catechetical portion of his weekly General Audience, dedicated to the 7th and final of the gifts of the Holy Spirit: *fear of the Lord*.



Departing repeatedly from his prepared text in Italian for emphasis, the Holy Father spoke of the fear of the Lord, not as a servile or supine disposition before the Lord, but as the grateful response of people who have first been loved by the infinite love of God the Father.

"The fear of the Lord is also an alarm," he said. "When a person lives in evil, when one blasphemes against God, when one exploits others, when one tyrannizes, when one lives only for money, vanity, power, pride – the holy fear of God alerts us: be wary!" The Holy Father went on to say, "In this way, you will not be happy, you will end badly." Departing from his prepared remarks, the Holy Father added, "One can take with him to the other side not money, nor power, nor vanity, nor pride: nothing! We can bring the love that God the Father gives us – the caresses of God accepted and received by us with love – and we can bring what we have done for others."

Pope Francis spoke explicitly of people's political responsibility, who allow themselves to be corrupted, as well as of people who make their living from human trafficking and slave labor, and of those who manufacture weapons for fomenting wars. "That the fear of God might make them understand that one day it all ends and that they shall have to give account to God," he prayed.

The Holy Father said that the fear of the Lord is also a kind of alarm for all Christians: awakening us to the presence of sin in our lives and reminding us that we, too, will one day be held accountable to the just Judge. "Let us pray that the fear of God, together with the other gifts of the Holy Spirit, will renew us in faith and constantly remind us that in God alone do we find our ultimate happiness, freedom and fulfilment."

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