

**PENTECOST**

**SUNDAY**

**08 JUNE 2014**

“50 days after His Resurrection, the Lord sent the Holy Spirit upon His disciples, initiating the Church age.”

# 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:

Acts 2:1-11

Psalms 104

1 Cor. 12:3b-7, 12-13

John 20:19-23

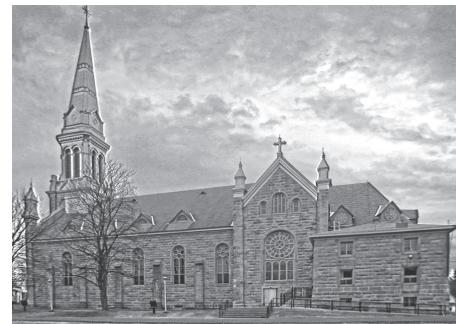
“Without the Holy Spirit, we cannot understand Jesus.” Welcome the Holy Spirit in your life.

## Further Reflection from the Catechism:

CCC: 684/6, 692, 747

CCCC: 137, 239, 140

YOUCAT: 113 - 120



In today's Gospel passage we find the disciples gathered in fear behind locked doors. Suddenly, Jesus appears to His friends and breathes new life into them. Jesus gives the Holy Spirit by the action of breathing on the disciples, which recalls God's act of creation. The gift of the Spirit changes the hearts of the disciples. Their fear is changed to joyful conviction, and they are empowered to go forth and forgive the sins of others.

From 1895 to 1903, Blessed Elena Guerra, foundress of the Oblate Sisters of The Holy Spirit in Italy, wrote 12 confidential letters to Pope Leo XIII, asking him to encourage greater devotion to the Holy Spirit among Catholics.

On January 1, 1901, Pope Leo XIII prayed to the Holy Spirit. He sang the Veni Creator Spiritus by the Holy Spirit window in St. Peter's Basilica in Rome.

In 1897, Pope Leo XIII published an encyclical about the Holy Spirit, called Divinum Illud Munus. He also called for the Church to pray the Novena for Pentecost at the beginning of the new century.

Just as Pope Leo XIII prayed for a great outpouring of the Holy Spirit in 1901, Pope John XXIII prayed in 1962 for "a new Pentecost." In preparation for the Second Vatican Council, he prayed for God to, "*Renew Your wonders in this our day, as by a new Pentecost. Grant to Your Church that, being of one mind and steadfast in prayer with Mary, the Mother of Jesus, and following the lead of blessed Peter, it may advance the reign of our Divine Savior, the reign of truth and justice, the reign of love and peace. Amen.*"

One of the main messages that the Second Vatican Council taught was the importance of the "**universal call to holiness.**" Vatican II taught in Lumen Gentium chapter five that Jesus, "preached holiness of life to each and every one of His disciples of every condition," and that Jesus calls all Christians "*to the fullness of the Christian life and to the perfection of charity.*" The Council further taught that Jesus gives both the call and the ability to fulfill it because Jesus, "*sent the Holy Spirit upon all men that He might move them inwardly to love God with their whole heart and their whole soul, with all their mind and all their strength and that they might love each other as Christ loves them.*"

Once the universal call to holiness was proclaimed by the Pope and the bishops, it was up to the people to respond to this call, and **ask God for grace to fulfill it.**

## Let us pray:

*Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Your faithful and kindle in them the fire of Your love. Send forth Your Spirit and they shall be created. And You shall renew the face of the Earth.*

*O, God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit, did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and ever enjoy His consolations, Through Christ Our Lord, Amen.*

*Excerpt from RCL Benziger Lectionary Resources, et al.*

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Fr. Dan VanDelst, Pastor

Rev. Mr. Marcel Brunet, Deacon

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Mrs. Kelly Poitras

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Monday-Thursday

9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Evenings by appointment

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By appointment

1 month in advance

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Please give 6 months notice

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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

### First Saturday, June 7<sup>th</sup>

7 – 7:25 a.m. Confessions  
 8:00 a.m. Harry Towes by Raymond & Kelly Poitras  
 3 - 4:00 p.m. Confessions  
 6:15 -6:45 p.m. Confessions  
 7:00 p.m. Gisele Pilon by Albert & Aline

### Sunday, June 8<sup>th</sup>

7:30 a.m. Intentions of the Parishioners  
 9:30 a.m. Reynald Desjardins by Raymond Desjardins  
 11:00 a.m. Blanche Brissard (3<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary of death)  
 by Ed Brissard & Micheline Legault  
 12:30 p.m. Baptisms

### Monday, June 9<sup>th</sup>

7:30 a.m. Jennie Belmore by Elaine, Doreen & Flo

### Tuesday, June 10<sup>th</sup>

7:30 a.m. Jacqueline Leduc (2<sup>nd</sup> Anniv. of death) by Marcel Leduc  
 5:15 p.m. Catholic Women's League Annual Mass

### Wednesday, June 11<sup>th</sup>

7:30 a.m. Alfred Painter by Manon & Allan Gibbs

### Thursday, June 12<sup>th</sup>

7:30 a.m. Tom MacInnes by Teresa MacInnes

### Friday, June 13<sup>th</sup>

7:30 a.m. Joyce Dufresne (Ruffo) by Louise Wilson

### Saturday, June 14<sup>th</sup> Solemnity of the Dedication of St. Columban's Church

3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Confessions  
 6:15 – 6:45 p.m. Confessions  
 7:00 p.m. Cyril Dumond by Wife Viola & family

### Sunday, June 15<sup>th</sup>

7:30 a.m. Intentions of the parishioners  
 9:30 a.m. Leo Boileau by Diane & Gilles Lafrance & family  
 10:30 a.m. Dedication of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Church at St. Columban in 1896  
 11:00 a.m. Frances Dufresne by Keith & Mary Grant  
 Profession of Faith by St. Columban's School Grade 8

### Monday, June 16<sup>th</sup>

7:30 a.m. George Brand by wife Georgette & family

### FAREWELL GATHERING FOR FATHER DAN

SUNDAY 29 JUNE, 2 – 4 P.M.

Arranged Presentations at 3:15 p.m.

Ground level access at Trinity Hall - 105 2nd W,

This is an opportunity to reminisce

over refreshments and photos. Everyone welcome

### THANKS TO ST COLUMBAN'S CWL

for their efforts in planning & organizing the Mother's Day Roses.

Thanks to the ladies who made roses, sold roses and to the parishioners who supported this fundraising event.

All proceeds were donated to

Our Ladies Missionaries and Catholic Missions in Canada.

## IN OUR PARISH

### COLLECTION – 25 MAY – THANK YOU

Sunday	\$3,509.50	Vocation Sunday	\$ 81.00
Loose	848.72	Papal Charities	962.20
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$4,358.22</b>	Dev. & Peace	5.00
Votive Candles	\$ 122.27	Initial Offering	5.00
Book Table	119.55	Flowers	15.00

### COLLECTION – 18 MAY – THANK YOU

Votive Candles	\$185.10	Book Table	\$122.35
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### NOTE FROM FATHER DAN

On Saturday, June 7<sup>th</sup> (afternoon and evening), I will be away to celebrate my parents 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary. Fr. Dumoulin will replace me for Confessions & Mass.

### ST. COLUMBAN CHURCH

10:30 a.m. Sunday, 15 June we will take time to remember the  
**DEDICATION OF THE**

### THIRD CHURCH AT ST. COLUMBAN IN 1896.

All are invited to gather around the monument on the east side of the church to learn more about it. We will then proceed to the doors of the church for Mass at 11 a.m. Following Mass there will be a light lunch/potluck to which everyone is invited.



### Parish Picnic

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

On the east side of the Church  
Hamburgers / hotdogs available.

Plus, you may purchase  
individual desserts and drinks.

Come & enjoy the food and company of fellow parishioners.

There will be a few games for youth.

### INTERNATIONAL OUTREACH UPDATE

Good news! The Shelterbox tents/kits purchased with parishioner donations have not yet been needed in the areas deployed.

### PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

BY CARDINAL MERCIER (1940's)

I will reveal to you a secret of sanctity and happiness.: If for 5 minutes every day, you are able to quiet your imagination, to close your eyes to the things of the senses & your ears to the rumors of the earth, to enter within yourselves, and there, in the sanctuary of your Baptized soul, which is the temple of the Holy Spirit, speak to the Divine Spirit within you:

*Holy Spirit, Soul of my soul, I adore you. Guide me, strengthen me, console me. Tell me what to do and give me your orders.*

*I promise to submit to whatever you desire of me and to accept everything you allow to happen to me.*

*Let me know your will.*

“If you do as I suggest,” wrote Cardinal Mercier, “your life will flow happily. You will be serene and consoled even in the midst of pain, for grace will be proportioned to the trial, giving you the strength to bear it; and loaded with merits, you will reach the gates of Paradise.”

## IN THE PARISH

### WE REMEMBER

ARTICLE TAKEN FROM JUNE 6<sup>TH</sup>, 1944 BULLETIN

"Today the great invasion is on – prayer coupled with our Armies will win - we owe it to our fighting men - among whom it is stated is a former priest of this parish Father Kerr. Pray for all those on active service." The intention at most of the Masses offered that week were for the success of the invasion.

**JUNE 6, 2014 – 70<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF D-DAY**

Sincere thanks to all our parishioners who served 70 years ago.

**SUMMER SCHOOL 27-30 JULY, 2014  
FOR LITURGICAL MUSICIANS & VOCALISTS**  
hosted by Hamilton Diocese.

Keynote speaker Most Rev. Gerald Wiesner, OMI.

Subsidies available for 19-33 year olds and for seminarians.

Financial assistance may be available, contact the parish office.

**REST IN THE PEACE & LOVE OF THE LORD**  
Mary Lanteigne and all those who died this past week.

**PARISIEN MANOR – SPIRITUAL CARE**  
Fr. Halle is looking for an extra volunteer – Call 613-933-6097

## IN THE DIOCESE

**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. Please join us.

**SUMMER SUPPER, 4:30 TO 6:30 P.M., MONDAY, 23 JUNE**  
Sponsored by CWL of Our Lady of Grace / St.Pius X , Ingleside.  
\$12/adults; \$5/children under 12. Advance sale of tickets from CWL members or call the parish at 613-537-2244.

**CCO'S 'MEET THE MOVEMENT' – 7:30 P.M., WED., 11 JUNE**  
Have you heard about Catholic Christian Outreach (CCO) and want to know more about their ministry? On June 11<sup>th</sup>, all are invited to St. Félix-de-Valois parish hall to meet CCO missionaries from the diocese and learn how you can play a role in this important work happening on university campuses. You will also hear from Bishop Marcel and from CCO students about the New Evangelization & its impact on their lives. Refreshments provided.

**NATIVITY PARISH – MINI MONSTER BINGO – 14 JUNE**  
Doors open at 4 p.m.; regular bingo starts at 7 p.m. Pkg of 12 cards for \$21 includes specials. Early bird games start at 6 p.m.

## COMMUNICATION AT THE SERVICE OF AN AUTHENTIC CULTURE OF ENCOUNTER – POPE FRANCIS

*Continued – from last week's bulletin*

"It is not enough to be passers-by on the digital highways, simply 'connected'; connections need to grow into true encounters. We cannot live apart, closed in on ourselves. We need to love and to be loved. We need tenderness. Media strategies do not ensure beauty, goodness & truth in communication. The world of media also has to be concerned with humanity, it too is called to show tenderness. the digital world can be an environment rich in humanity; a network not of wires but of people. The impartiality of media is merely an appearance; only those who go out of themselves in their communication can become a true point of reference for others. Personal engagement is the basis of the trustworthiness of a communicator. Christian witness, thanks to the Internet, can thereby reach the peripheries of human existence. "As I have frequently observed, if a choice has to be made between a bruised Church which goes out to the streets & a Church suffering from self-absorption, I certainly prefer the first. Those 'streets' are the world where people live & where they can be reached, both effectively & affectively. The digital highway is one of them, a street teeming with people who are often hurting, men & women looking for salvation or hope. By means of the Internet, the Christian message can reach *'to the ends of the earth'* (Acts 1:8). Keeping the doors of our churches open also means keeping them open in the digital environment so that people, whatever their situation in life, can enter, & so that the Gospel can go out to reach everyone. We are called to show that the Church is the home of all. Are we capable of communicating the image of such a Church? Communication is a means of expressing the missionary vocation of the entire Church; today the social networks are one way to experience this call to discover the beauty of faith, the beauty of encountering Christ.



In the area of communications too, we need a Church capable of bringing warmth and of stirring hearts. "Effective Christian witness is not about bombarding people with religious messages, but about our willingness to be available to others 'by patiently and respectfully engaging their questions and their doubts as they advance in their search for the truth and the meaning of human existence'. We need but recall the story of the disciples on the way to Emmaus. We have to be able to dialogue with the men & women of today, to understand their expectations, doubts & hopes, & to *bring them the Gospel, Jesus Christ Himself, God incarnate, Who died and rose to free us from sin and death.* We are challenged to be people of depth, attentive to what is happening around us & spiritually alert. To dialogue means to believe that the 'other' has something worthwhile to say, & to entertain his or her point of view & perspective. Engaging in dialogue does not mean renouncing our own ideas & traditions, but the claim that they alone are valid or absolute. "May the image of the Good Samaritan who tended to the wounds of the injured man by pouring oil and wine over them be our inspiration. Let our communication be a balm which relieves pain and a fine wine which gladdens hearts. May the light we bring to others not be the result of cosmetics or special effects, but rather of our being loving and merciful 'neighbours' to those wounded and left on the side of the road. Let us boldly become citizens of the digital world. The Church needs to be concerned for, and present in, the world of communication, in order to dialogue with people today and to help them encounter Christ. She needs to be a Church at the side of others, capable of accompanying everyone along the way. The revolution taking place in communications media and in information technologies represents a great and thrilling challenge; may we respond to that challenge with fresh energy and imagination as we seek to share with others the beauty of God."

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