

Today's Gospel reminds us that Lent is a time to become more solidly grounded in our faith. Making more time for prayer and Scripture, fasting from things in our lives that keep us from giving ourselves wholeheartedly to God, giving of ourselves in service to others. Far from depriving us, these are the tools we can use to ensure that we are firmly rooted in the things of God.

# ST. COLUMBAN

## PARISH

**FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT (C)**

**MARCH 10, 2019**

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Rev. Fr. Ernest Emeke Emeodi, Parochial Administrator  
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

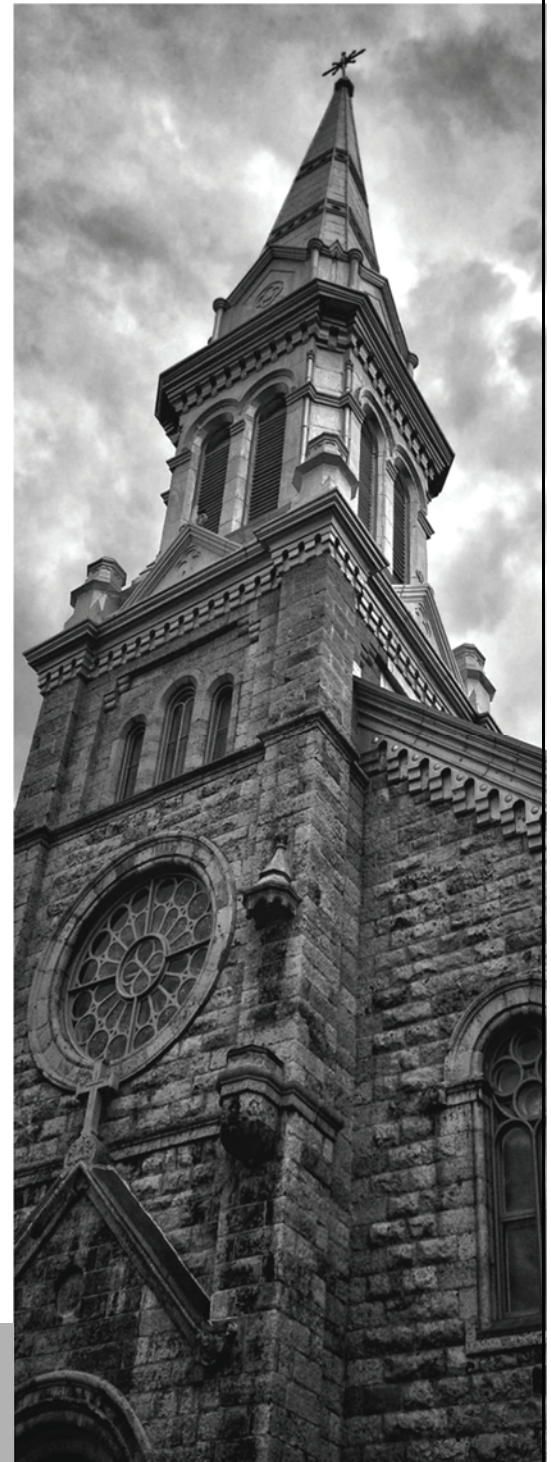
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# CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

# IN OUR PARISH

## Saturday, March 09th ST. FRANCES OF ROME (OM)

3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Confessions  
 5:30 p.m. Audrey Levac by Patsy McAllister  
 Daylight Savings Time starts March 10th - Clocks move forward from 2:00 a.m. to 3:00 a.m.

## Sunday, March 10th FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

7:30 a.m. Intentions of Parishioners  
 9:30 a.m. Marilyn Hamilton by Duncan Hamilton  
 11:00 a.m. Bishop Eugene LaRocque by Bernadette Blakely

## Monday, March 11th

7:30 a.m. **No Mass** LENT – WEEK 1

## Tuesday, March 12th

7:30 a.m. Lawrence Campbell (5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Death) by Hazel Campbell  
 12:10 p.m. Catharine, Roger & Ron Dupras by Christina Dupras

## Wednesday, March 13th

7:30 a.m. Slatko Draganjac by Helga  
 12:10 p.m. Shirley Fraser by Sue & Reg Lapensee

## Thursday, March 14th

7:30 a.m. Nick Cinquina by the Estate of the Brennan Family  
 12:10 p.m. Gracie Robinson by Yolande Robinson

## Friday, March 15th

7:30 a.m. Souls in Purgatory by a Parishioner  
 12:10 p.m. Wilhelmina Ritchie by Bob & Anne Gauthier  
 5:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross

## Saturday, March 16th

3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Confessions  
 5:30 p.m. Marguerite Lauzon (10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Death) by Art & Geraldine Lauzon

## Sunday, March 17th SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

7:30 a.m. Intentions of Parishioners  
 9:30 a.m. Sylvia Shaver (25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Death) by Daughter Kelly Poitras & Family  
 11:00 a.m. Frances Baker by Daphne Baker Dube

## Monday, March 18th ST. CYRIL OF JERUSALEM (OM)

7:30 a.m. **No Mass** LENT – WEEK 2

## STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

*"I have now brought you the first fruits of the products of the soil which you, O Lord, have given to me."* DEUTERONOMY 26:10

This line from the Old Testament offers two challenges. First, do you give to God from your "first fruits", the best that you have to offer, or do you give from what is leftover? Second, do you recognize that everything you have has been given to you by God? Ask God for a grateful and generous heart, every day, in all circumstances.

## POPE FRANCIS MARCH INTENTIONS

### Evangelization – Christian Communities

That Christian communities, especially those who are persecuted, feel that they are close to Christ and have their rights respected.

## POPE FRANCIS' APOSTOLIC EXHORTATION, THE CALL TO HOLINESS

Join us on Tuesday, March 12 at 7:00 PM, as we start to study and learn more about Pope Francis' vision on Holiness. Pope Francis' Apostolic Exhortation, GAUDETE ET EXULTATE, on the Call to Holiness in Today's World. We will meet for three weeks, praying, reading, and discussing this document. Refreshments will be served. Meet at St. Columban's Church in the room above the Sacristy. Please contact Janet to register at 613-363-5331 or by email at [janetsurgeson@gmail.com](mailto:janetsurgeson@gmail.com).

## PLEASE NOTE – LENTEN MASSES

Our Friday evening Stations of the Cross begins Friday March 08, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. and every consecutive Friday ending on April 12.

Our Lenten 12:10 p.m. Mass begins on Tuesday March 12, 2019, ending on Friday April 12, 2019.

## SANCTUARY LAMP INTENTION

The living flame of the Sanctuary Lamp burns this week for Elaine Lebrun as she recovers from surgery by Florence Gravelle.



## HOLY THURSDAY - FOOT WASHING

Fr. Ernest invites those parishioners who would like to take part in the foot washing on Holy Thursday to see him or call the office to participate. The washing of the feet is a direct expression of our service to one another.

## ST. PATRICK'S DAY TEA & BAKE SALE

Hosted by the St. Columban's Catholic Women's League Saturday March 16, 2018 – 12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. **Parish Activity Centre.** Admission \$8.00. Basket draw, Bake sale, Candy table. Tickets for the basket draw will be available at Church on the weekends of March 2nd/3rd and March 09th/10<sup>th</sup>.

## COFFEE AND CHAT SUNDAY

The next coffee and chat will be on March 17, 2019. Let's all gather together to enjoy a cup of coffee and fellowship.



## PASTORAL CARE OUTREACH MEETING

Friday March 15, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. in the Sacristy.

## GENERAL MEETING OF ST. COLUMBAN'S PARISH & PATRONS OF ST. COLUMBAN'S FOUNDATION

The joint annual general meeting of St. Columban's Parish and the Patrons of St. Columban's Foundation will be held on Wednesday, March 13th in the church upper room at 7:00 p.m. Hope to see you there.

## TODAY'S READINGS – MARCH 10<sup>TH</sup>

1st Reading: Deuteronomy 26.4-10

2nd Reading: Romans 10.8-13

Gospel: Luke 4.1-13

Jesus was led by the Spirit into the wilderness: there he was tempted.

## IN OUR PARISH AND DIOCESE

### ATTENTION ALL PARISH MUSICIANS OF ALEXANDRIA/CORNWALL

Once again, this year, there will be a Diocesan Choir for the Christ Mass to be celebrated Monday April 15th at 7p.m. in Nativity Co-Cathedral. Rehearsals will begin on **Tuesday, March 19th at 7 p.m. at Nativity church** where more details will be given. If you wish to take part in this choir please contact **Helen McAlear (613-932-8326)** by **March 17th**.

### MESSAGE FROM ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Each year during Lent we have a 6-week food drive, intent on stocking our food bank shelves. We provide a calendar which itemizes products each week that are in demand and are the staples we provide as emergency food assistance to our clients. All of us have a tradition of "giving-up" something for lent, but instead of chocolate or coffee maybe we can give up some of our own goods to the benefit of the poor in our local area. The scriptures continually talk to the need for all of us to share our bounty with the poor, and this is an opportunity to do just that. The calendar will be available in your church bulletin and/or at the back of the church and our 2018 Annual Report is on the reverse side of the calendar. Food can be brought in and left at the church and we will arrange for pick-up. Thank you.

### HOSPITALIZED OR HOMEBOUND

If you are in the hospital or homebound or know someone who is and would like a visit from Fr. Ernest to receive the sacrament of the sick or would like a member of the Pastoral Care Outreach to visit please call the parish office 613-932-9616. If you would like your name mentioned in the prayers of the sick please call the parish office. All names given to be prayed for must be with permission.

### ST. JULIAN'S CHAPEL

Anxious? Lonely? Depressed? Do you need peace? Come to Simply Adore Jesus at St. Julian's Chapel - 24/7 Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration. Behind St. Peter's Parish (side entrance). You are always welcome!



### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Catholic bookstore located at 146 Chevrier Ave. (behind the Nativity Church), is in need of volunteers. If you are bilingual and would enjoy working a 3-hour shift/week serving the people of our Diocese, contact Jeannine Lacroix at 613.938.6364. We are all volunteers working in a great environment serving great people!

### ROAST BEEF DINNER

**K of C, Council #11531** - is having a Roast Beef Dinner on **Thursday, March 14, 2019 from 4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.** at St. Francis de Sales Parish Hall. Cost: \$12.00 per person.

### ST. COLUMBAN COLLECTION REPORTS

#### FOR FEBRUARY 24, 2019

Sunday Envelopes	2,772.00
Loose Collection	313.80
Initial Offering	10.00
Flowers	78.00
Total	\$ 3,173.80

### CONGRATS TO FATHER KEVIN MALONEY

On Saturday, February 23rd, the Cornwall and Area Chamber of Commerce hosted its Business Excellence Awards. The final award of the evening is Citizen of the Year and this year's recipient was our own Father Kevin Maloney.

The Citizen of the Year has been regularly awarded to community leaders who demonstrate excellence in community service. Nominees are selected by a committee who evaluate the positive impact that an individual's community service has had on Cornwall.

### CITY LENTEN MISSION

It's coming soon to St. Peter Parish this year with Tom Edwards and his wife Jean Marie from Florida. Tom felt God's call to share the Gospel message full-time some 35 years ago. This ministry and his role as a country coordinator for Renewal Ministries has taken him around the world offering parish missions, clergy training, speaking at rallies and more. Father of 2 and grandfather of 9, his perspective is down to earth and simple. His wife will share her powerful testimony with us also. Add lively music and great hospitality, and it's an event you don't want to miss. **Mark your calendars** for Sunday, Monday and Tuesday evenings, March 31, April 1 and 2 from 7-8:30 pm followed by a reception.

### THE SANCTUARY LAMP

The sanctuary lamp is a special lamp which is kept close to the tabernacle. The sanctuary lamp remains alight to indicate and honour the presence of Christ. The living flame of the sanctuary lamp signifies the Eucharistic presence of our Lord Jesus Christ. Sponsorship of the Sanctuary Lamp is available for a week long period of time. Stipend is \$20.00 per week and the intention will be listed in the bulletin.

### DAY RETREAT - ST. RAPHAEL'S CHURCH

Lenten Retreat: St. Raphael's and St. Margaret of Scotland will be hosting a one-day Lenten Retreat on **Saturday, March 16th at St. Raphael's Church** starting with Mass at 9:00AM and ending at 3:00PM. The retreat leader will be Fr. Allan MacDonald, General Superior of the Companions of the Cross. The theme is "Slow....Lent". Lunch and snacks will be provided. Goodwill offering only. Please register with Carmel MacDonell at 613-347-3196 or [carm18@sympatico.ca](mailto:carm18@sympatico.ca) OR Inez Franklin at 613-347-7666 or [inez1989@hotmail.com](mailto:inez1989@hotmail.com)

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For more information or to create a group contact Janet at [janetsurgeson@gmail.com](mailto:janetsurgeson@gmail.com) or 613-363-5331.

### FAMILY BREAKFAST

**St. Francis de Sales K of C 11531** are having a 'Family Breakfast' on **Sunday, March 31, 2019 from 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.** in the Parish Hall. \$7.00/person. *Everyone welcome.*



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