

By grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God.

ST. COLUMBAN

PARISH

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT (B)

MARCH 11, 2018

PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Fr. Ernest Emeke Emeodi, Parochial Administrator

Rev. Fr. Claude Hallé, Guest Priest

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

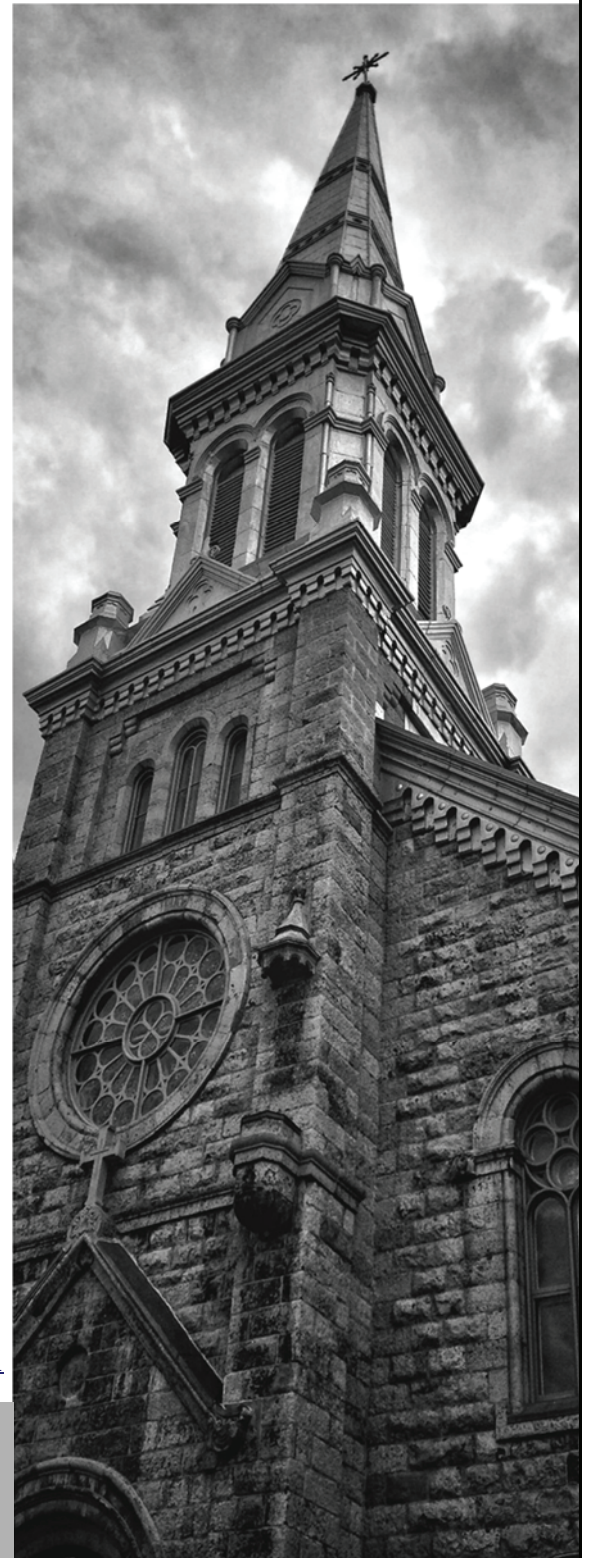
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CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

IN OUR PARISH

Saturday, March 10th

3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Confessions

5:30 p.m. Mr. Kekera by St. Columban's Choir

Sunday, March 11th 4th SUNDAY OF LENT

Daylight Savings Time begins this morning – clocks are moved forward one hour at 2:00 am, so 2:00 am becomes 3:00 am

7:30 a.m. Intention of Parishioners

9:30 a.m. Special Intention for Our Children by Richard & Carole Pilon

11:00 a.m. Robert Harrison by Carol Papps & Family

7:00 p.m. Parish Mission

Monday, March 12th

7:30 a.m. **No Mass** 4th WEEK OF LENT

7:00 p.m. Parish Mission

Tuesday, March 13th

7:30 a.m. Lutt Bergeron by Marion Tobin

12:10 p.m. Robert Lawn by Marion Lawn

7:00 p.m. Parish Mission

Wednesday, March 14th

7:30 a.m. Intentions of Parishioners

12:10 p.m. Marian Kelly by Angus Kelly

Thursday, March 15th

7:30 a.m. Ruth Stidwill by the Family

12:10 p.m. Norah Tait by St. Columban's Catholic Women's League

Friday, March 16th

7:30 a.m. Jacqueline Poirier by Carol Papps

12:10 p.m. Sylvia Etwell Shaver by Daughter Kelly Poitras & Family

5:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 17th ST. PATRICK (OM)

3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Confessions

5:30 p.m. Marie Doroshenko by Janet Surgeson & Family

Sunday, March 18th 5th SUNDAY OF LENT

7:30 a.m. Robert Lawn by Colin & Eleanor Pottie

9:30 a.m. Intentions of Parishioners

11:00 a.m. Chuck Charlebois by Joan Earle

Monday, March 19th

7:30 a.m. **No Mass** 5th WEEK OF LENT

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

"For God so loved the world that He gave his only Son...."
- John 3:16

Of all the wonderful gifts that God has given to us, the gift of His own Son is truly the greatest. How can we ever thank God for such a gift like that? God does not ask us to sacrifice our own precious firstborn, but He does ask that we are grateful and generous with our God-given gifts. That we nurture and develop them and return with increase.

ADDED LENTEN MASS

There is a 12:10 p.m. Mass Tuesday to Friday during Lent. Make this part of your Lenten journey.

PLEASE JOIN US

Every Friday during Lent, we will be doing the Stations of the Cross. Join Fr. Ernest at 5:30 p.m. in the Church. We will use the program from Dev. & Peace.

PARISH MISSION - SAVE THE DATE!

Everyone in the Diocese is welcome to take part in the Parish Mission hosted by St. Columban's Parish with Father Eslin Pereira - a member of the Claretian Missionaries. Join us at 7pm on Sunday March 11th, Monday March 12th and Tuesday March 13th for one, two or all three days! Social time and Refreshments will be served following the talks...

DIOCESAN DAY OF CONFESSIONS

Thursday March 22 - The Gift of God's Mercy. Come and experience the healing mercy of God in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. No matter how long it has been, or how much or how little you have to confess, Jesus is waiting for you.

St. Francis Parish – 1 p.m. to 8 p.m.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY TEA & BAKE SALE

St. Columban's Catholic Women's League tea & bake sale on Saturday March 17, 2017 - 1:30p.m. – 3:30p.m. at Parish Activity Centre. Admission \$7.00. Basket draw, Bake sale, Candy table. Tickets for the basket draw will be available at Church on the weekends of March 3rd/4th and March 10th/11th.

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.

CLEANING OF CHURCH

The Catholic Women's League invites all those parishioners willing to assist them in cleaning our beautiful Church on Tuesday March 27, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. Followed by refreshments in the Activity Center. Bring a bucket & clean cloths.

ST. JULIAN'S CHAPEL

Come to Simply Adore Jesus at St. Julian's Chapel - 24/7 Perpetual Adoration. Behind St. Peter's Parish (side entrance). You are always welcome!

THE WILD GOOSE

Video Series presented by Fr. Dave Pivonka

Join Us Tuesday March 20th at 7:00pm.

St. Columban's Activity Room.

Above the Agape Centre.

Note: There are no sessions on March 6th & March 13th.



TODAY'S READINGS – MARCH 11TH

1st Reading: 2 Chronicles 36.14-17a, 19-23

2nd Reading: Ephesians 2.4-10

Gospel: John 3.14-21

God sent his only-begotten Son so that the world might be saved through him.

PREPARING FOR MASS

God has given us a spectacular invitation to be in His physical presence and physically receive Him at every mass. The Mass is not an individual spiritual event but rather an assembly where the people of God are called together, with a priest presiding and acting in the person of Christ, to celebrate the Eucharistic sacrifice, for the celebration of Mass, perpetuates the sacrifice of Christ on the cross on our behalf. Are you prepared to honour God in the utmost way possible by placing your heart and mind in His presence? By being fully engaged in the mass and not reading the bulletin or reciting your rosary (this is done before or after mass) Participate and assist at the Mass devoutly by using the missal to follow the priest, saying the Mass prayers and singing the hymns and to unite fully with the priest in offering the Holy Sacrifice and to receive Holy Communion.

“I’M STILL HERE”

At Upper Canada Playhouse **March 11, 2018 at 1:30pm** Of interest to everyone, this production aims to help us better understand the experiences from the perspective of a care partner and of the person diagnosed with dementia or Alzheimer’s disease. Purchase your tickets now for \$20 at the Alzheimer Society of Cornwall and District 613 932-4914, 106B Second Street West.

PRO-LIFE SPAGHETTI DINNER FUND RAISER

Pro-life Cornwall Pro-Vie invites everyone to our fund raiser spaghetti supper on **March 11th. at the Agora Centre. It runs from 4:30 to 7:00 PM.** Cost is \$8.00 per adult and children under 12 are free. Both regular and gluten free spaghetti, salad, rolls, desserts and coffee or juice is available. *Take-out orders are welcome.* We appreciate donations of homemade baked goods and help at the supper. For further information please call Joan at 613-931-2087. Start the March Break off with a nice family meal prepared just for you!

FAMILY BREAKFAST

St. Francis de Sales K of C 11531 are having a ‘**Family Breakfast**’ on **Sunday, 18th March 2018 from 8:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.** in the Parish Hall. \$7.00/person. Everyone welcome.

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST NEEDED

Father Raymond Dumoulin is looking for persons who are interested in becoming Ministers of the Eucharist at St-Joseph’s Villa. If you have 2 hours a week to give in service to the Lord, please call Cynthia MacLachlan at 613.933.6040 ext. 21211.

ST. COLUMBAN COLLECTION REPORT FOR FEBRUARY 25, 2018

Sunday Envelopes	2,560.50
Loose Collection	309.90
New Year’s	50.00
Initial Offering	5.00
Development and Peace	5.00
Holy Land	5.00
Votive Candles	276.60
Flowers	165.00
Bookstore	134.00
Parish Mission	5.00
Total	\$ 3,516.00

BOOKTABLE NEWS

While they last, we have a few copies of Magnificat’s **WAY OF THE CROSS**. These are profound meditations by Jean Vanier challenging us to participate in the walk to Calvary. They are beautiful reflections for you to use after Mass, for example, or in the privacy of your home. On special for \$3.95 Cdn.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON SOCIAL GATHERING

Tuesday’s 1:00 – 4:00 pm. Parish Activity Centre. Parishioners are invited to participate in an afternoon of games and socializing with others on Tuesday afternoons. Always open to new activities and ideas. For more info call 613.932.7091.

WHAT CATHOLICS BELIEVE WITH FR. KEVIN MALONEY

Join us **Wednesday mornings from 9:00-10:00 a.m.** in the St. Francis de Sales Parish Hall as Fr. Kevin gives an “Introduction to the Old Testament”. It’s a great way to learn more about your faith this Lenten season. These 1-hour sessions run each **Wednesday from 21st February 2018 to 28th March 2018**. All are welcome to these informative talks by Fr. Kevin with time set aside for questions.

PARISH MISSION - ST. FINNAN’S

Lent is a time to renew our encounter with God. This Lenten season, Saint Finnan’s parish invites us to come together to pray for our families and to reflect upon our family life. These sessions will contain Pope Francis’ message on “Love in the Family”.

We will gather at St. Finnan’s Cathedral in Alexandria on Tuesdays from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m. for 2 remaining weeks.

Topics:

March 13: Our family = “a domestic Church”.
March 20: A family where the Holy Trinity dwells.

HAPPY ST. PATRICK’S DAY

Come join us on Saturday, March 17th. Irish Stew, Games, Prizes and Special Drinks beginning at 7:00 pm. 50/60’s live band; “Picks and Sticks” at 9:00pm. Cornwall Columbus Club (downstairs hall) 205 Amelia St., Cornwall. Tickets \$17/each in advance or \$20/each at the door. Advanced tickets sold at hall, or call 613-932-7600. All Welcome!

FISH and CHIPS FUNDRAISER

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNSEL #755.
205 Amelia Street. **Good Friday** (March 30, 2018)
Fish & Chip: doors open at 3 pm, served from 4-7 pm \$10/person. Everyone Welcome!!!

SUGAR BUSH BREAKFAST

The **Optimist Club** and the members of **Our Lady of the Rosary Parish** invite you to their **SUGAR BUSH BREAKFAST** on **Sunday March 25TH, 2018 From 9:30 a.m. to 12:00pm. At the Chrysler Community Centre.** (Eggs, bacon, sausages, baked beans, pancakes with syrup)
Adults and teens: \$12.00, Children 5 to 11: \$ 6.00, Children under 5: FREE

CHARITY CHILI CHALLENGE

(Hospice Cornwall) **CHARITY CHILI CHALLENGE - Saturday, April 14, 2018** at St. Matthew’s Lutheran Church. Co-sponsored by Swinging B’s Square Dance Club. Crafter Tables - Silent Auction. Open 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. (See poster)

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