

O Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy on us. Immaculate Heart of Mary, pray for us.
St. Joseph, pray for us. St. Columban, pray for us.

ST. COLUMBAN

PARISH

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT (C II)

MARCH 20, 2022

PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Fr. Thomas Riopelle, Parochial Administrator
Rev. Mr. Guy Côté, 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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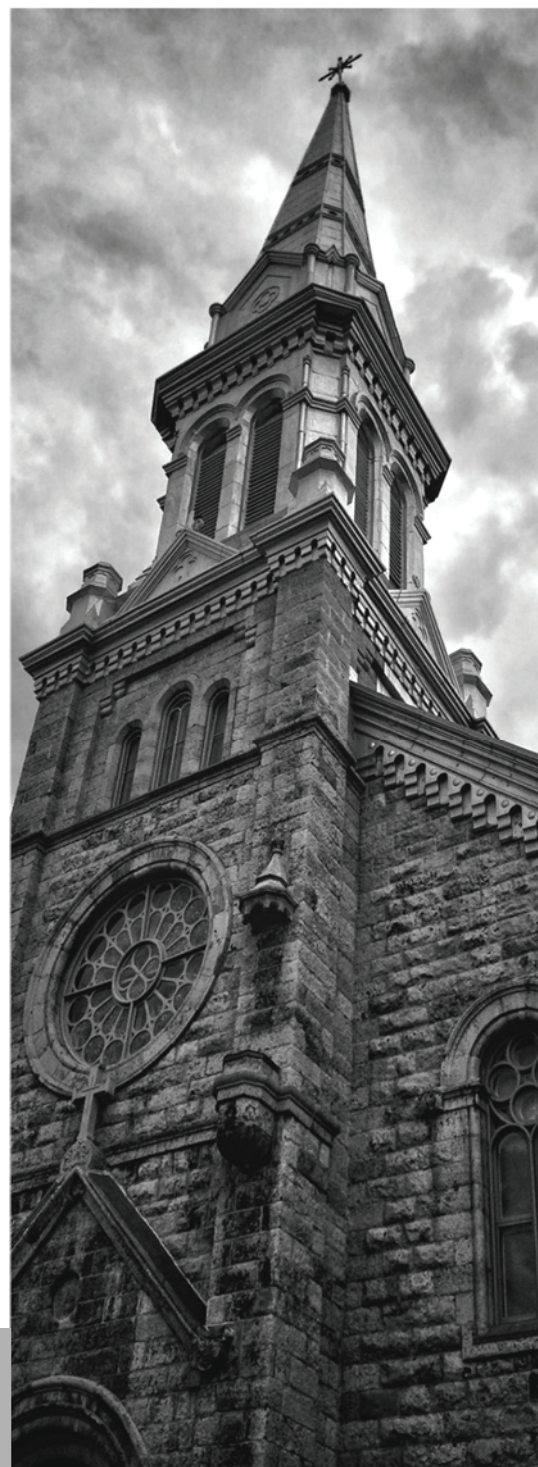
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ST. COLUMBAN PARISH

CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

IN OUR PARISH

Saturday, March 19th ST. JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY,
PRINCIPAL PATRON OF CANADA, PATRON OF THE UNIVERSAL CHURCH (S)

8:00 a.m. Sanctification of All Priests, Deacons & Bishops
3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Confession
5:30 p.m. Don & Anne MacPhee by Richard & Bernadette McRae

Sunday, March 20th THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

7:30 a.m. People of the Parish
9:30 a.m. Florence Fisk (16th Anniversary of death) by Bob & Dana Fisk
11:00 a.m. Rheel Samson by David & Nancy Hill

Monday, March 21st

7:30 a.m. **No Mass** LENT – WEEK 3

Tuesday, March 22nd

7:30 a.m. Gerry DiCola by Wife Lise & Son Brian
12:10 p.m. A Special Intention for Sue Gauthier by Bob & Anne Gauthier

Wednesday, March 23rd ST. TURIBIUS OF MOGROVEJO (OM)

7:30 a.m. Souls in Purgatory by a Parishioner
12:10 p.m. Debbie Lepage by Donna & Jake Villemaire

Thursday, March 24th

7:30 a.m. Special Intention Margaret Fortier by a Parishioner
12:10 p.m. Jane Anderson by Brian Lynch & Katie Burke

Friday, March 25th THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD (S)

7:30 a.m. Alice Brennan by Yolande Robinson
12:10 p.m. Gerard Piche by Rita & Alan Boyce
7:00 p.m. Way of The Cross

Saturday, March 26th

3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Confession
5:30 p.m. Hamish MacDonald by Elizabeth & Jenny

Sunday, March 27th FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

7:30 a.m. People of the Parish
9:30 a.m. Marion Tobin by Frances & George O'Dair
11:00 a.m. Ambrose & Catherine McDonell by Daughter Jean McDonell

Monday, March 28th

7:30 a.m. **No Mass** LENT – WEEK 4

In Rank Order: (S) Solemnity, (F) Feast, (M) Memorial, (OM) Optional Memorial.

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POPE FRANCIS MARCH INTENTIONS

For a Christian response to bioethical challenges. We pray for Christians facing new bioethical challenges; may they continue to defend the dignity of all human life with prayer and action.

TODAY'S READINGS – MARCH 20TH, 2022

1st Reading: Exodus 3.1-8a, 13-15
2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 10.1-6, 10-12
Gospel: Luke 13.1-9
Unless you turn back to God, you will perish as they did.

LENTEN MASSES

Our Lenten 12:10 p.m. Mass begins on Thursday, March 03, 2022, and ends on Friday, April 08, 2022. No Masses on Mondays.

PLEASE JOIN US

Every Friday evening during Lent, we will be doing the Way of the Cross followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction. Join Deacon Guy at 7:00 p.m. in the Church. All are welcome.

ST. FINNAN BASILICA, ALEXANDRIA ON, MISSION ANNOUNCEMENT

St. Finnan Basilica, Alexandria, Ontario is very excited to announce their first Lenten Mission. Fr. Allan MacDonald, CC, a priest of the Companions of the Cross, will be joining them from April 3-6, 2022, for the Lenten Mission Ground & Found. The Schedule for the mission is as follows:

Sunday, April 3: 11:00 am Mass at St. Finnan's Basilica

Monday, April 4: 6:00 pm Confession
7:00 pm Mass with extended Homily

Tuesday, April 5: 6:00 pm Confession
7:00 pm Mass with extended Homily

Wednesday, April 6: 6:00 pm Confession
7:00 pm Mass with extended Homily

All are welcome to attend.

HOLY THURSDAY - FOOT WASHING

Fr. Tom 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.

VOCATIONS

Prayer for Vocations: Third Sunday of Lent – March 20. That like Moses, young people will enter more deeply into conversation with the Lord in prayer as they seek to discover their vocations in Christ, we pray to the Lord. To start the conversation, contact Fr. Pierre Champoux, Director of Vocations, at vocations@archottawa.ca or 613-558-1445.

ST. COLUMBAN COLLECTION REPORT FOR MARCH 06, 2022

Sunday Envelopes	6,028.00
Loose Collection	281.20
Weekly Total	\$6,309.20

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 first and best that you have to offer, or do you give from what you have leftover? Second, do you realize that everything you have and that everything you have has been given to you by God? Ask God for a grateful and generous heart, every day, in all circumstances.

LIFTING OF RESTRICTIONS MARCH 21

The Province of Ontario has lifted mask mandates and all other regulatory requirements.

What this means for our parish:

- All choirs, cantors and those who assist at mass can return without restrictions
- The Greeting of Peace can be restored
- Holy Communion on the tongue can resume

Please be aware that some parishioners will choose to continue the wearing of masks and we encourage all parishioners to be respectful and compassionate of that choice as each one of us deal with our own comfort levels and health issues.

The Archbishop is extending the dispensation from attending mass in person until the vigil Mass for Palm Sunday April 9th, in time for Holy Week liturgies. Beginning on Palm Sunday parishioners are invited once again to attend mass in person. He reminds all Catholics that the obligation to attend Sunday Mass does not apply if for health reasons you cannot attend mass in person.

SAINT BROTHER ANDRE RELIC FROM SAINT JOSEPH'S ORATORY COMES TO US

Blessed Sacrament Parish, 321 Tollgate Rd E, Cornwall, Telephone: (613) 932-2996, will host the relic of Saint Brother Andre on Thursday, March 31, 2022. Exposition of the Relic and PowerPoint presentation on the life of Saint André Bessette at 6:00 pm, Eucharistic Adoration at 6:30 pm, Holy Mass at 7:00 pm, and Veneration of the Relic and Blessing with the Oil of Saint Joseph at 7:45 pm.

LENTEN FOOD DRIVE

We have reached out to the agencies in the community that help with the issue of food insecurity to have a sense of what they need to refill their food banks.

Cereal, School Snacks, Cheese & Macaroni, Peanut Butter, Canned Vegetables, Beans and Meat.

It is truly amazing how St. Vincent de Paul, Agape Centre and Centre 105 all work together to serve the needs of the people in the community.

UPDATE ON 'SHARE THE WARMTH' CLOTHING DRIVE FOR THE LIGHTHOUSE DROP-IN CENTRE

As a Parish, we were able to collect and donate over 30 bags of winter clothes and men's clothing; Amanda and her team cannot express the gratitude they and the people they serve have for the support the Parish offered.

We still have collection boxes in the side vestibule at the Fourth Street door.

OPERATION COUCH CUSHION

We have a coin drive in the Parish to help with some of the additional operating expenses. We all have loose change in jars, pockets, drawers and yes, even in the couch cushions, right next to the remote control.

We will collect it and roll it up for you; all you need to do is donate it by dropping it into the collection bottles at the doors of the Church.

If you are interested in finding out more or how you can be involved in these 'Love thy Neighbour' initiatives, drop a note in the collection basket, addressed to: 'Love thy Neighbour team.'

SYNOD 2023 UPDATE



We need your comments and participation in the Synod process to help shape our Church as well as the legacy of our Parish.

Please complete a handout. We are aiming to have all written comments in by March 13th, 2022.

As of Feb 28th, only 8 people have participated in the small group sessions and only 4 responses have been submitted.

Remember to prayerfully reflect on this:

In the story of my life, how & when did my heartache for the Church?

The goal is to listen to each other and the Holy Spirit on how we can journey better together as a Church, as a Parish focused on **Communion – Participation – Mission**.

You can help with the success of this Synod process to define the mission of our Archdiocese and our Parish, in a few ways,

- 1) Completing a Synod 2023 handout,
- 2) Taking part in one of the small group sessions,
- 3) Praying for the Holy Spirit to cover & guide us and our openness to accept God's will.

If you are interested in taking a more involved role in this process, please contact the Parish office

May the Lord bless us all as we open up our hearts to the Holy Spirit.

Father Tom & Deacon Guy

IS THE LORD CALLING YOU TO THE PERMANENT DIACONATE?

Come and discover what the Diaconate is all about.

Information sessions will be held at the following locations: Sheng Shen Parish Hall, Ottawa – Tuesday, March 29th from 7-9 pm, **The upper room of St. Columban Parish, Cornwall – Thursday, March 31st from 7:00-9pm**, and St. Mary's Parish Hall, Ottawa – Saturday, April 2nd from 10-Noon. Contact Deacon Charles (Chuck) Fink for more information and to register at cfink@archottawa.ca

SILENT AUCTION UPDATE

Thank you to all who participated in the Silent Auction, with the donation of some wonderful items, there was \$455 collected, to offset the cost of the palms.



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