

*From the beginning in the Garden, to Jesus' temptations, and ours; the devil entices us with things that appear to be good – not with things that appear to be evil.*

# ST. COLUMBAN

## PARISH

**1<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT (A)**

**MARCH 05, 2017**

### PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Fr. Ernest Emeka 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  
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# CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

# IN OUR PARISH

## **Saturday, March 04th** ST. CASIMIR (OM)

7:00 – 7:25 a.m. Confessions  
8:00 a.m. Francis & Grace Emeodi (63rd Wedding Anniv.) Members of Patron's Foundation  
3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Confessions  
5:30 p.m. Ernie Filion by Patricia Taillon

## **Sunday, March 05th** FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

7:30 a.m. Intentions of Parishioners  
9:30 a.m. James McLaverty by John & Janice Meyer & Family  
11:00 a.m. Pauline Boileau (32nd Anniversary of Death) by Diane & Gilles Lafrance

## **Monday, March 06th**

7:30 a.m. No Mass

## **Tuesday, March 07th** ST. PERPETUA and ST. FELICITY (OM)

7:30 a.m. Souls in Purgatory by a Parishioner  
12:10 p.m. Mary Clendaniel by Cathy Miron

## **Wednesday, March 08th** ST. JOHN OF GOD (OM)

7:30 a.m. Cheryl Tessier by Darlene Walsh  
12:10 p.m. Special Intention for Kelly Poitras & Family by a Parishioner

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

7:30 a.m. Rita Hutt by Helen Schweitzer  
12:10 p.m. Ernie Filion by Leona Arcand

## **Friday, March 10th**

7:30 a.m. Allan Mcphail by Marion Tobin  
12:10 p.m. Annie Emberg by Isabel Lalonde  
5:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross

## **Saturday, March 11th**

3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Confessions  
5:30 p.m. Deceased Members of the Picard & McDougall Families by Frances Picard

## **Sunday, March 12th** SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

7:30 a.m. Intentions of Parishioners  
9:30 a.m. Ernie Filion by Elaine Lebrun  
11:00 a.m. Shirley Elliott by Daphne Dube

## **Monday, March 13th**

7:30 a.m. No Mass

## **TODAY'S READINGS – MARCH 05<sup>TH</sup>**

1st Reading: Genesis 2.7-9, 16-18, 3.1-7  
2nd Reading: Romans 5.12-19  
Gospel: Matthew 4.1-11  
Jesus fasted forty days, and was put to the test.

## **COFFEE & CHAT SUNDAY**

Join with fellow parishioners on March 11 & 12, 2017 for coffee and fellowship after all Masses.

## **ADDITIONAL MASSES AND STATIONS OF THE CROSS DURING LENT**

Beginning Tuesday March 07, There will be a 12:10 Mass Tuesday to Friday during Lent. Also, beginning Friday March 10, 2017 we will be having Stations of the Cross on Fridays at 5:30 p.m. during Lent.

## **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE FINANCE COUNCIL & PATRONS FOUNDATION**

All parishioners are invited to attend the combined "Annual General Meeting" of the Finance Council and the Patrons of St. Columban Foundation which will be held on Wednesday, Mar. 08 @ 7:00 p.m. The meeting will take place in the upper room of the sacristy. We hope to see you there.

## **BOOKTABLE NEWS**

The *Magnificat LENTEN Companion* has arrived. By spending a few moments meditating on the inspiring daily reflections, you will discover all that is true, good, and beautiful about the Catholic Faith!  
Book table special -(regular \$5.50 Cdn.) for only **\$3.00!**

A new item at the Catholic Bookstore is the **medal of Venerable Matt Talbot**, patron of those suffering from alcoholism. We will carry some on our parish book table also at the request of a priest who has experienced the power of Matt Talbot over the years. Do you know of someone who could use his intercession?

## **CWL GENERAL MEETING**

Tuesday March 07, 2017

7:00 p.m. in the Activity Centre.

Don't forget to bring your Registration Form and money for the 91st Diocesan Convention.

## **50 YEARS OF SHARE LENT**

On Ash Wednesday, Development and Peace – Caritas Canada will launch its 50th annual Share Lent campaign, entitled Women at the Heart of Change. This year, the Share Lent collection will take place on April 2nd, which is Solidarity Sunday.

## **YOU STILL HAVE TIME TO JOIN ALPHA**

If you missed the meeting there is still time to join ALPHA. Based on hospitality, sharing and open conversation, ALPHA enables people to ask their questions, share ideas, build friendships and experience the love of God through the power of the Holy Spirit. For information please call 613-363-5331.

## **ST. JULIAN'S CHAPEL**

Anxious? Lonely? Depressed? Do you need peace? 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!

IN OUR **PARISH**

**LENT: A TIME TO GIVE UP AND A TIME TO GIVE**

Instead of giving up chocolate or other indulgences why not consider giving to your parish. In serving your Church and fellow parishioners it will truly help to deepen your faith and draw you closer to God in service to him and your Parish community. Through your gifts of time and talent you will truly be the hands and feet of Jesus Christ here in St. Columban's Parish. Please consider becoming a part of this Parish family. Here are a few suggestions of Ministries needing you: Adult Alter Servers, Choir Members, Readers, Sacristan, Ushers.

**Chicken Dinner Fundraiser for Patrons of St. Columban Foundation**

For the restoration of our historic St. Columban's Church hosted by the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 297, 415 Second St., West, Cornwall. 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., Sunday April 2. Tickets available after masses the weekend of March 18-19, March 25-26 Tickets \$12 also available at St. Columban's parish office during office hours, from Foundation members, by calling Brian Lynch at 613-933-8353, and at the Legion. Everyone welcome.

**St. Vincent de Paul Lenten Food Drive**

We again are providing our Lenten Calendar. As a recent scripture reading noted..."if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted your light will rise in the darkness, and your darkest hour will shine like noon." Your participation in our 'drive' offers a means to live these words and has the benefit of providing for the needy in our area through the coming year. Each week a specific food product is highlighted as one of our 'staples', though any and all food donated will be collected and is needed. As info, our 2016 Annual Report is provided on the reverse side of the calendar.

**St. Columban Collection Report for February 19, 2017**

Sunday Envelopes	4,011.00
Loose Collection	414.85
New Year's	40.00
Initial Offering	20.00
Votive Candles	242.65
Flowers	647.00
Bookstore	164.35
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 5,539.85</b>

IN OUR **PARISH, DIOCESE**

**OUR SUGGESTION BOX**

This is to inform new Church members and to remind regular ones that we have a suggestion box located on the right radiator at the back of the Church. All suggestions regarding the Church and parish are welcomed, and will be read and considered by Father Ernest. Paper and pencil are near the box. Please consider submitting your ideas and suggestions.

**OUR LADY OF MEDJUGORJE'S FEBRUARY 25, 2017 MONTHLY MESSAGE FOR THE WORLD:**

"Dear children! Today I am calling you to profoundly live your faith and to implore the Most High to strengthen it, so that winds and storms cannot break it. May the roots of your faith be prayer and hope in eternal life. Already now, little children, work on yourselves in this time of grace, wherein God is giving you the grace – through renunciation and the call to conversion – to be people of clear and persevering faith and hope. Thank you for having responded to my call."

**PRO-LIFE SPAGHETTI SUPPER**

Pro Life Cornwall Pro-Vie invites everyone to the Annual Spaghetti Supper on Sunday March 12, 2017 at the Agora Centre. Meals served from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. The menu consists of regular and gluten free spaghetti, regular and vegetarian spaghetti sauce, caesar and tossed salads, and homemade desserts. Cost is \$8.00 per adult. Children under 12 are free. Come and join us for this family friendly meal. Anyone wishing to donate a dessert or volunteer please contact Joan at 613-931-2087 for further information. Take-out orders available.

**BOOK CLUB / DISCUSSION**

**Language of the Heart – How to Read the Bible (by Noel Cooper)**

Come join us for 7 weeks – Thursday, March 2 to Thursday, April 20, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. (not on Thursday of Holy Week). Books available on loan. Bring your bible. "The essential purpose of Scripture study is to enable believers to seek strength and meaning in Scriptures." Cost is \$35.00. Location is at Maison Shalom House, 170 St. Paul Street, Alexandria, ON. Information and Registration: Sr. Sue Burns, csc Phone: 613-525-1704 or E-mail: maisonshalomhouse@bellnet.ca

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