

The talents given to us through God's great mercy and favour are revealed in how we choose to live each day. Let us ask ourselves how we are using our talents and whether we are allowing the mercy and grace of God to be revealed each and every day?

ST. COLUMBAN

PARISH

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)

NOVEMBER 19, 2017

PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Fr. Ernest Emeka Emeodi, Parochial Administrator
Rev. Fr. Claude Hallé, Guest Priest
Rev. Mr. Chris Chisholm, Deacon

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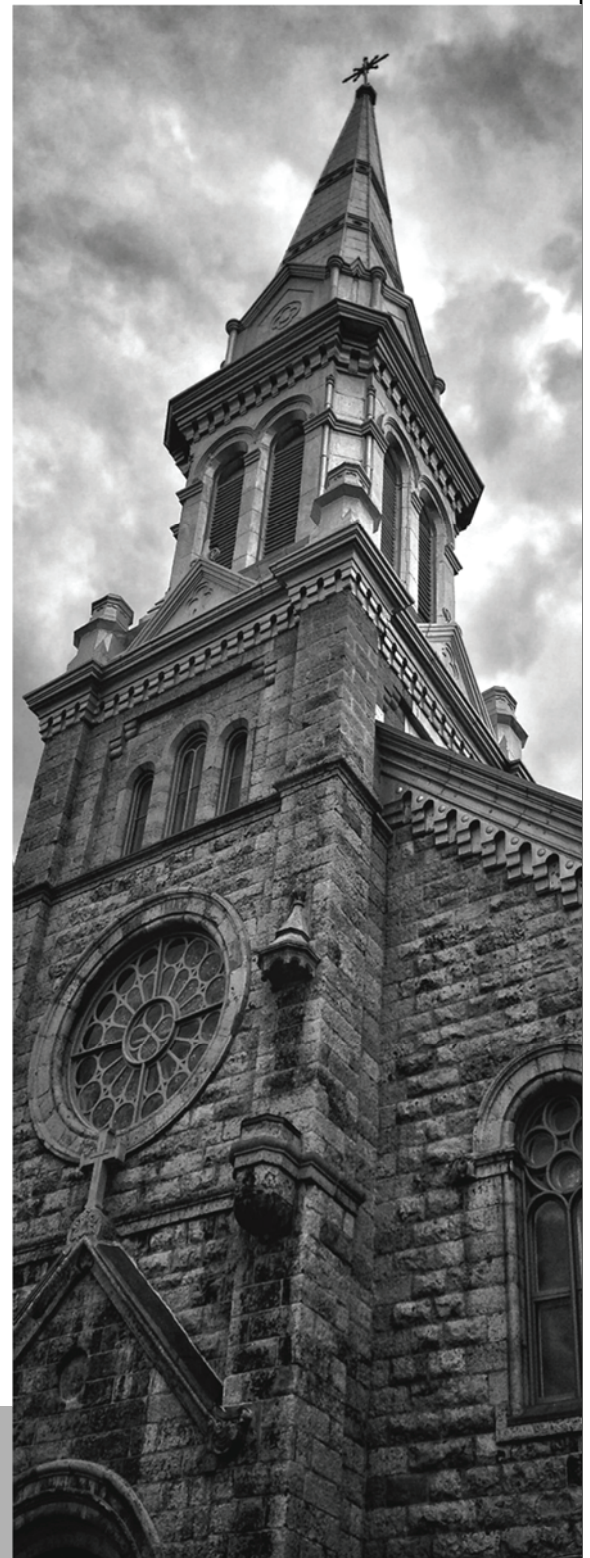
Saturday Vigil 5:30 PM
Sunday 7:30, 9:30 & 11:00 AM
Tuesday – Friday 7:30 AM
Confession Saturdays, 3 – 4 PM (or by appointment)
Baptism Please notify one month in advance
Marriages Please notify 6 months in advance

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CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

IN OUR PARISH

Saturday, November 18th **OUR LADY'S SATURDAY (OM)**

THE DEDICATION OF THE BASILICAS OF ST. PETER & ST. PAUL (OM)

3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Confessions

5:30 p.m. Gerry Villeneuve (17th Anniversary of Death) by Wife Eleanor & Family

Sunday, November 19th **33rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

WORLD DAY OF THE POOR

7:30 a.m. Souls in Purgatory by a Parishioner

9:30 a.m. Intentions of Parishioners

11:00 a.m. Michael Heenan (2nd Anniversary of Death) by Wife Linda & Family

Monday, November 20th

7:30 a.m. **No Mass** **ORDINARY TIME – WEEK 33**

Tuesday, November 21st **THE PRESENTATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY (M)**

7:30 a.m. All Souls in Purgatory by Florence Gravelle

Wednesday, November 22nd **ST. CECILIA (M)**

7:30 a.m. Maureen Adams by Cheryl Adams

Thursday, November 23rd **ST. COLUMBAN & ST. CLEMENT (OM)**

7:30 a.m. Special Intention for Joan Levy Earle by Rick & Bernadette McRae

5:10 p.m. Solemnity in Honor Of Our Patron Saint Columban

Friday, November 24th **ST. ANDREW DUNG-LAC and COMPANIONS (M)**

7:30 a.m. A Personal Intention by a Parishioner

Saturday, November 25th **OUR LADY'S SATURDAY (OM)**
ST. CATHERINE OF ALEXANDRIA (OM)

3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Confessions

5:30 p.m. Raymond & Andre Tardif by Bea Tardif

Sunday, November 26th **CHRIST THE KING**
OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

7:30 a.m. Jacques Cote by the Lavender family

9:30 a.m. Intentions of Parishioners

11:00 a.m. Dorothy Joubert by Exit Realty Family

Monday, November 27th

7:30 a.m. **No Mass** **ORDINARY TIME – WEEK 34**

TODAY'S READINGS – NOVEMBER 19TH

1st Reading: Proverbs 31.10-13, 16-18, 20, 26, 28-31

2nd Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5.1-6

Gospel: Matthew 25.14-30 (longer)
Matthew 25.14-15, 19-21 (shorter)

You have been trustworthy in a few things. I will put you in charge of many things.

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.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

"Well done, my good and faithful servant. Since you have been faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities." – Matthew 25:21

God expects us to nurture and develop the gifts He has given us and then generously return a portion with increase. He doesn't want us to waste or hoard the gifts He has given us; He expects us to grow our gifts, use them wisely and be generous with them. Unfortunately, many of us are not generous in proportion to all that God has given us.

SPAGHETTI SUPPER

This weekend, Sunday Nov 19, 4:30 - 7:00 pm, in St. Columban Activity Centre, above the Agape Center. Cost: Adults \$10.00 Child \$5.00 Compliments of the Knights of Columbus council 5068. Tickets available at parish office.

LOOKING FOR A COORDINATOR FOR DIOCESAN YOUTH MINISTRY

If you are looking for a challenge and you enjoy working with teens then we have the job for you. We are currently looking for someone to coordinate youth ministry for the Diocese. The coordinator will provide vision and direction for branding and promoting youth ministry and the Catholic faith with the young people of the Diocese from grades 7 to 12. The key areas of responsibility are the development of both a Pre-Teen and Teen Youth Ministry as well as the administration, coordination and future growth of youth ministry in the Diocese. For more information and for a complete job description go to www.alexandria-cornwall.ca

CONCERT BY CANDLELIGHT

A special concert by candlelight! On Saturday, November 18th at 8 pm at the Co-cathédrale de la Nativité the Ambitus Quartet will perform Vivaldi's Four Seasons along with great movie themes. This is an enchanting way to see a concert, taking you back in time. Tickets are just \$30 (cash only) and are available at both Melody Music on Pitt St. and at the door.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION - EARLY BIRD PRICING ENDS

If you are getting married in the Catholic Church in 2018 or 2019 you must take a marriage preparation course. In this Diocese we offer the Engaged Encounter Weekend. The cost of the weekend is \$180. But we have early bird pricing of \$150 until January 31, 2018. Space is limited so you must register by February 28, 2018.

ST. COLUMBAN'S C.W.L. CHRISTMAS TEA & BAKE SALE

Saturday November 25, 2017 - 1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. in the Parish Activity Centre (Room 201). Admission \$7.00 Christmas Basket draw, Bake sale, Candy table. Tickets for the basket draw will also be available after mass on the weekends of Nov. 11th & 18th

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

In the tradition of our Church NOVEMBER IS THE 'MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS' a time to pray and give thanks for those we love but see no longer. A book of remembrance is located at the front of the Church and all are invited to inscribe the names of your departed loved ones. St. Paul reminds us: "It is a good and wholesome thing to pray for the dead."

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY NEWS

Our Christmas Basket Giveaway initiative is underway, with client's sign-up dates of November 14/17/21 & 24, with distribution of baskets on December 16.



WHY THE WILD GOOSE?

Video Series presented by Fr. Dave Pivonka

Join Us Tuesday November 21st at 7pm
St. Columban's Activity Room
Above the Agape Centre

WORLD DAY OF THE POOR

Following the Jubilee of Mercy, Pope Francis instituted the World Day of the Poor. The first is to be held on November 19, 2017, the 33rd Sunday of Ordinary Time. To prepare ourselves for this first World Day of the Poor, Maison Shalom House invites you to a retreat day on Saturday, November 18 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Mrs. Miriam Wheeler and Sr. Denise Desrochers, csc, Program Coordinators at Maison Shalom House, will guide us in a time of reflection and prayer on the theme: "Let us love, not with words but with deeds." Cost \$30 (lunch included) Please contact Sr. Sue Burns, csc at 613-525-1704 or by e-mail at maisonshalomhouse@bellnet.ca before Friday, November 10 to register for this retreat day.

MEMBERS OF ST. COLUMBAN'S CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE CHRISTMAS POTLUCK

Tuesday Dec 05, 2017 at 6 p.m. in the Parish Activity Centre, Bring your favourite dish or try a new recipe for all to enjoy. Don't forget your Jello!

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION RECEPTION

An invitation is extended to all parish volunteers to attend. The reception will be held in the Rectory from 2 to 4 p.m., Sunday December 10, 2017

PARISH FUNDRAISER this week only!

All items on the BOOKTABLE and BOOKRACK will be on SALE for a "Freewill Donation". Most items have been donated and are in good condition. There are several children's books. Don't miss this opportunity to get a bargain and help our Parish at the same time!

HONOURING OUR PATRON SAINT

You are invited to a solemn Mass in honour of Saint Columban on Thursday, November 23rd, at 5:10 p.m. This mass will be followed by a potluck supper in our Activity room in the Agape Centre. You are also invited to pray a Novena in honour of St. Columban which began on Wednesday November 15th. A litany and other prayers are still available on the radiators at the doors of the church today for those who would like to pray the remaining days of this Novena. Thank you for your participation.

ST. COLUMBAN COLLECTION REPORT FOR NOVEMBER 05, 2017

Sunday Envelopes	3,307.55
Loose Collection	389.66
Propagation of the Faith	15.00
Priest Pension Fund	3,123.00
Parish ALPHA Program	10.00
Total	\$ 6,845.21

REMEMBERING OUR LOVED ONES AT CHRISTMAS

The Patrons of St. Columban Foundation ask for your assistance once again this year to keep the repairs to our historic church building on schedule. You can help by making a donation to the Foundation this Christmas "In Memory of a Loved One".

Remembrances will be published in a special insert to our Parish Bulletin the weekend of December 16-17, 2017.

For your donation, you may use the forms and the envelopes provided at the Church entrances. Cheques should be made payable to the Patrons of St. Columban Foundation. Please submit in the collection basket by Sunday December 3 to allow for printing. Thank you for your continued support of the work of the Patrons of St. Columban Foundation.

CWL JELLO FOR CHRISTMAS BASKETS

"The Catholic Women's League have the yearly duty of supplying packages of Jello for the Christmas baskets. This year we've been requested to collect 24 hundred boxes. We're inviting parishioners to join us in this effort. There will be a basket at the main door at the back of the church and one at the front east door. The basket will be labelled Jello. We will be collecting the Jello until the end of November.

ALONE CHRISTMAS DAY?

Join us for our 4th Annual Christmas Dinner, December 25, 2017, from 12:00 noon to 2:30 p.m. at the Agora Hall (Nativité Hall), 301 McConnell Street. No charge but donations gladly accepted for next year. Need transportation? Call Alison to arrange for pick up at 613-622-4719 the week of December 17th. (Elevator is wheelchair accessible.) To help call Darlene Walsh at 613- 330-4491.

PREPARATION FOR THE SACRAMENTS OF RECONCILIATION, CONFIRMATION AND FIRST COMMUNION

Is your child or grandchild in the Public School System? Are they in a Separate School and have not received the Sacraments? If so, this notice is for you!! Now is the time to register for after school sacramental preparation classes. Please call the parish office at 613-932-9616 or Janet Surgeson at 613-363-5331 for more information.

"COME TO THE WATER"

Come, drink deeply of the life-giving water that Jesus is for us in a spiritually rejuvenating winter weekend retreat at Maison Shalom House in Alexandria, February 2 - 4, 2018. Dynamic retreat master Anne Shore, a gifted Catholic educator and vibrant speaker, will explore the theme as the weekend unfolds, leaving plenty of time for personal prayer and reflection. Fr. Allan MacDonald, CC, Superior General of the Companions of the Cross, returns to his Glengarry roots as the Sacramental Priest for this retreat. Cost is \$185.00 per person, including accommodation and meals. A deposit of \$100.00 is required by December 15th, 2017. For information or to register, contact Inez, 613-347-7666 inez1989@hotmail.com or Elizabeth, 613-527-3209 bmcdonell@xplornet.com or Sr. Sue Burns csc, 613-525-1704 maisonshalomhouse@bellnet.ca

MEMORY TREE LIGHTING

Bereaved Families of Ontario-Cornwall presents its 21st MEMORY TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY on Sunday, November 26th at 1:00 p.m. at the Cornwall Square. Special Guests: The Centennial Choir. Memory tags will be available from our volunteers beginning at 12:00 noon. For information, please call 613-936-1455.

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